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ST JEAN MARIE VIANNEY (1786 - 1859)

**UNIVERSAL PATRON OF PARISH PRIESTS FEAST DAY:
AUGUST 4TH**



“[Father Jean Marie Vianney] arrived in Ars, a village of 230 souls, warned by his Bishop beforehand that there he would find religious practice in a sorry state: ‘There is little love of God in that parish; you will be the one to put it there.’ As a result, he was deeply aware that he needed to go there to embody Christ’s presence and to bear witness to his saving mercy: ‘[Lord,] grant me the conversion of my parish; I am willing to suffer whatever you wish, for my entire life!’: with this prayer he entered upon his mission. The Curé devoted himself completely to his parish’s conversion, setting before all else the Christian education of the people in his care. Dear brother priests, let us ask the Lord Jesus for the grace to learn for ourselves something of the pastoral plan of Saint John Mary Vianney! The first thing we need to learn is the complete identification of the man with his ministry. In Jesus, person and mission tend to coincide: all Christ’s saving activity was, and is, an expression of his ‘filial consciousness’ which from all eternity stands before the Father in an attitude of loving submission to his will. In a humble yet genuine way, every priest must aim for a similar identification. Certainly this is not to forget that the efficacy of the ministry is independent of the holiness of the minister; but neither can we overlook the extraordinary fruitfulness of the encounter between the ministry’s objective holiness and the subjective holiness of the minister. The Curé of Ars immediately set about this patient and humble task of harmonizing his life as a minister with the holiness of the ministry he had received, by deciding to ‘live’, physically, in his parish church: As his first biographer tells us: ‘Upon his arrival, he chose the church as his home. He entered the church before dawn and did not leave it until after the evening Angelus. There he was to be sought whenever needed.’”

“His example naturally leads me to point out that there are sectors of cooperation which need to be opened ever more fully to the lay faithful. Priests and laity together make up the one priestly people and in virtue of their ministry priests live in the midst of the lay faithful, ‘that they may lead everyone to the unity of charity, “loving one another with mutual affection; and outdoing one another in sharing honor”’ (Rom 12:10). Here we ought to recall the Second Vatican Council’s hearty encouragement to priests ‘to be sincere in their appreciation and promotion of the dignity of the laity and of the special role they have to play in the Church’s mission. ... They should be willing to listen to lay people, give brotherly consideration to their wishes, and acknowledge their experience and competence in the different fields of human activity. In this way they will be able together with them to discern the signs of the times’” (Pope Benedict’s Letter to Priests, “*Priesthood Is the Love of the Heart of Jesus,*” June 16, 2009).

*Eighteenth Sunday
in
Ordinary Time
August 2nd, 2009*

Readings

Sunday * August 2
Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15
Eph 4:17, 20-24
Jn 6:24-35

Monday * August 3
Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday * August 4
Saint John Mary Vianney, Priest
Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36
or 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday * August 5
Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a,
34-35/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday * August 6
Transfiguration of the Lord
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
2 Pt 1:16-19

Mk 9:2-10

Friday * August 7
Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday * August 8
Saint Dominic, Priest
Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20

Sunday * August 9
*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time*

1 Kgs 19:4-8
Eph 4:30-5:2
Jn 6:41-51

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Finance Council: Pat Durkin
JustFaith: Pat Storms
Grand Knight: John Lott
Altar Society: Glenda Marks, Lillian Magnusson, Rose Anderson

**Parish
Team**

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Weekend Masses:
Saturday - 5:30 PM
Sunday - 7:30 & 9:30 AM
Confessions: 1/2 hour before Mass

DAILY MASS (see bulletin weekly schedule)
7:00 AM Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday
5:30 PM Tuesday
8:00 AM Saturday

SS. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH Weekend Masses:
Saturday - 5:00 PM
Sunday - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM, (11:45 AM Mary House)

St. John's Weekly Schedule

**** **Next week August 3rd - 7th**

7:00 AM Daily Mass - Monday - Friday

Father Gary DeRouchev will be saying daily Mass while Father Christensen is at Seminarian Retreat.

Monday, August 3rd

7:00 pm Teen Mission trip planning meeting for teens and parents to find out more information on the Mission trip to New York being planned for 2010. We will meet in the Lifeteen Lounge.

7:00 pm Just Faith planning team meeting in Padre Hall.

Parish Movie Night

Wednesday, August 5th 7:00 pm

Join us and watch "Faith Like Potatoes".

Popcorn and pop will be served!!!

Thank-you! What a wonderful celebration, not only for me but for our whole parish family! I am sincerely grateful to God for the gift of my life and for the calling He has given to me in the priesthood. The anniversary and birthday celebration on Saturday evening in Padre Hall was made all the more special because I was able to have both of my families present: my parish family and my parents who arrived unannounced and surprised me for this special occasion. I have been doubly blessed by both of these families and I am grateful for the support and encouragement that I have received from all of you. Please accept my sincere and humble thanks for your gifts, your cards, your prayers, and your continued support and encouragement. I want to thank those of you who did so much to make Saturday evening's celebration such a wonderful event for me and for our parish family. May God reward all of you for your generosity, your kindness, and your love. Praise be Jesus Christ! Now and forever!

"Is it hard to find time for God let alone your family?"

"Troubles at work or with coworkers?"

"Money worries?"

"I wish I had plans for my life or for my children?"

Don't know where to turn ?

The Sainthood Project is coming to St. John's Parish for all ages! August 23-25.

You'll find answers to these questions and many more, stay tuned for more details.



On Tuesday, August 4th, the Church celebrates the Feast of St Jean Marie Vianney, the Cure d'Arce (1786-1859). It is the 150th anniversary of his earthly death and his rebirth into eternal life. In this special holy Year for Priests, it is a wonderful day of celebration since St Jean Marie Vianney is the Universal Patron of Parish Priests. While I would love to celebrate this feast with you in our own parish, I am obligated to be with our seminarians during their annual summer retreat (August 3rd-6th). These men are our future priests and I ask you to please pray for them (as I know you often do) during their days of prayer, reflection, and fraternity. Please ask the intercession of St Jean Vianney for them and for me (his image is prominent on the stained glass window in our church). I pray that I may continue to advance in the ways of prayer and, by God's grace, that I may be a truly holy priest of Jesus Christ. Thank you for all your support and prayers. Please be assured of my prayers for you and for all your loved ones. St Jean Vianney, Pray for us!

FLOWERS: If anyone has fresh garden flowers you would cut and bring over for the altar for the weekend Masses please call the church office- 223-2176.



FUNDRAISER for the family of Esteban Ramirez

6 year old Esteban went to heaven this week after losing his battle with viral encephalitis. This fundraiser will still go forth to help with the medical bills the family is left with. a **42-inch flat screen TV** was donated and is being raffled at **\$5.00 a ticket** to benefit the Ramirez family. You may purchase tickets after the weekend masses. There is a box at the church entrance where you can fill out your tickets and leave a check in the box. The date of the drawing for the TV is tentatively set for August 22nd.

Ladies, mark your calendar! Annual Diocesan Women's Retreat - October 23-25, 2009. "Biblical Women - Guides to the Kingdom of God", will be held at Outlaw Ranch, Custer, SD and directed by Fr. Mark McCormick. Watch your bulletin for information or call Family Life Ministries, 343-3541.



COMMUNITY IN NEED: SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY CENTER IS IN NEED OF CRIBS AND MATTRESSES.

IF YOU HAVE CRIBS AND MATTRESSES THAT YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO DONATE, PLEASE CONTACT LAURIE AT 224-7244. OFFICE HOURS

ARE 10 -3 DAILY.

LET YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS KNOW OF

Please kneel down after Mass and pray Three Hail Mary's for the next person who dies from our parish.



Sunday, August 2nd

7:30 AM Intentions of the Parish

9:30 AM SI Denise Luna

By: Jim and Pat Suedkamp

Monday, August 3rd

7:00 AM + Angelina Solomita

By: Joan Ogle

Tuesday, August 4th

7:00 AM + Angelina Solomita

By: Ken and Nancy Christensen

Wednesday, August 5th

7:00 AM SI Marianne Hofer

By: Lonny and Linda Hofer

Thursday, August 6th

7:00 AM SI Stephanie Zetah

By: Judy Zetah

Friday, August 7th

7:00 AM SI Marianne Hofer

By: Lonny and Linda Hofer

Saturday, August 8th

8:00 AM No Mass

5:30 PM + Toby Tyler

By: Lynn and Jane Metzinger

Sunday, August 9th

7:30 AM Intentions of the Parish

9:30 AM SI Children of Robert and Marjorie Gregg

By: Robert and Marjorie Gregg

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Regular Envelopes \$ 2,408.55

Student Envelopes \$ 5.00

Plate \$ 361.36

Total \$ 2,774.91



"Give and it shall be given to you. For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38

For those in the Military: this loving hands, protect them as they protect us and heal those who have returned to us physically or emotionally wounded.



We especially pray for the safety and well-being of Angela Beck, Patrick Hall, Melissa Gross & Brett Anderson.

Please take time to drop a note to our soldiers and thank them for their sacri-

SPGT HALL, PATRICK D
ACO TF BASE 1-35 AR
JSS 4 CORNERS
APO AE 09322

MAJOR ANGELA G. BECK
111th MMB
APO AE 09391

SP4 MELISSA MCINTYRE
21ST MP CO (ABN) UNIT 031
CAMP BASRAH
APO AE 09375

CW3 BRETT ANDERSON
HHB 1-147 FA
APO AE 09337



Sat.01 Derald Gross

Sun.02 Kristi Longbrake, Kevin Neuhauser

Mon.03 Robyn Thorpe

Tue.04 Alex Singleton

Wed.05 Sally Isburg

Thu.06 Matthew Booth, Sharon Swan

Fri.07 Robbie Hanson

Sat.08 Reese Hand, Jim Hoffman, Tiffany Severyn, Linda Waldman

Sun.09 Cody Clarambeau, Deb Hall, Megan Jaeger, Jody Swanson



Sat.01 Jerry and Patty Lihs, Mark and Carly Sommars

Sun.02 Ray and Abbie Rathbun, Kevin and Heather Unser

Mon.03 Scott and Teresa Cass

Wed.05 Bob and Carolyn Riter

Thu.06 Scott and Kim VanDenHemel

	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Altar Server	Cantor
Saturday, Aug 8,	LOU ANN DUNN BONNIE FISCHER DIANE LARSON	BRITA BERGESON	SAM SLOCUM JACE WERNSMAN MCKENZIE WERNSMAN	MICHELLE HUMMANN
Sunday, Aug 9,	KELLY MADSEN DIANE SMITH PAT SUEDKAMP	MISTY ROBERTS	MATT BOOTH ADAM BROWN AUSTIN BROWN	
Sunday, Aug 9,	PAT DURKIN KYLA VANDENHEMEL LINDA WHITE	MARY TURMAN	JAMES BARNETT JOHN BARNETT SETH VANDENHEMEL	KIT HARTLEY

For all the sick and suffering, Brenda Maxon, Sue Pospisil, Eric Buchmann, Grady Jacobson, Judy Hobbs, Nancy Holub, Maddox Rowland, Gerry Jund, Kelsey Spurlin, Dennis Carlson, Marie Gibson, Mary Gibson, Eileen Hofer, Barb Brown, Theresa Kirby, Doris Ogan, Jennifer Cink, Dorothy Brown, Robert Gregg, Doreen Pospisil, Cindy Foreman, Francis Bies, Lois Zimmer, Martha Rankin, Roland & Mary Hostler, Joe Truett, Jace Nickolas, Loren Pospisil, Leona Jacobsen, Rory Ehlers, Meaghan Kjolsrud, and all who have asked for our special prayers.



If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain call Sue Pospisil -223-2863.

Our Seminarian: Summer Address
Frank Sack Jr.
Autumn Park
4201 Valhalla Blvd #19
Sioux falls, SD 57106



St. John's

A PARISH FAMILY GROWING IN CHRIST

GENERAL INTEREST AND UPDATE INFORMATION

Please fill this panel out and drop it in the offering plate or mail it to the address on the bulletin if you would

- * like to become a member,
- * would like more information,
- * you're a current member & have a change of contact information
- * would like a visit from the pastor.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL _____

____VISITOR

____AM INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP

____I HAVE NO CHURCH AFFILIATION

____I'D APPRECIATE A VISIT FROM THE PASTOR

Did You Know?

Where Do Your Kids Spend Their Time?

You can help keep your children safe by knowing where they spend their time. Get to know the adults who are present at the various locations in the community where your children gather and play together. Be wary of any adult who seems more interested in creating a relationship with a child than other adults. Pay attention when an adult singles out a child for special attention. For more information, go to the Safe Environment section on the home page of the diocesan Web site at www.rapidcitydiocese.org.

National *JustFaith* Workshop Coming to St John the Evangelist Catholic Church

St John the Evangelist Parish in Fort Pierre will host an introductory workshop to the nationally known *JustFaith* program on Sunday, September 20, 2009 from 1:00pm - 5:00pm.

JustFaith provides parishioners with an opportunity to explore the Biblical tradition, the historic witness of the church, Catholic social teaching, and the relationship between spirituality and justice. The program offers an opportunity for participants to explore Jesus' invitation into compassion and how to live our faith in today's complex world. In hundreds of parishes across the country, *JustFaith* has proven to be an exciting journey of conversion and new commitments. *JustFaith* works in partnership

Upcoming Events at St. Johns!!!

AUGUST 3RD - MISSION TRIP PLANNING MEETING - 7:00 PM LIFETEEN ROOM

JUST FAITH FACILITATOR MEETING - 7:00 PM - PADRE HALL

AUGUST 5TH - MOVIE NIGHT AT ST. JOHNS - 7:00 PM PADRE HALL

AUGUST 19TH - HIKE, PICNIC AND CAMPFIRE - 6:00 PM - FARM ISLAND

AUGUST 15TH - ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS - 12:00 PM

AUGUST 24TH - SAINTHOOD PROJECT - 7:00 PM - PADRE HALL

**AUGUST 26TH - FAITH FORMATION KICKOFF - 5:45 PM PADRE HALL
LIFETEEN/EDGE TAILGATE PARTY - 6:00 PM**

SEPTEMBER 1ST - PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING - 7:00 PM - PADRE HALL

**SEPTEMBER 2ND - TGIF (FOR ALL AGES AND EVERY PARISHIONER)
LIFETEEN/EDGE - 5:45 PM - PADRE HALL**