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Greetings from Mary-Ellen & Tim Forwell and Family	<i>Thy kingdom come Thy will Reign on earth as it is in Heaven.</i>	Greetings from Arnold & Delores Nussey	
God's Blessings from the Smailys Family	Greetings from Doyle Capital Corporation	PRAYER TO ST. JAMES THE GREAT O glorious Apostle, St. James, who by reason of thy fervent and generous heart was chosen by Jesus to be a witness of His Glory on Mount Tabor, and of His agony in Gethsemani. Thou, whose very name is a symbol of warfare and victory: obtain for us strength and consolation in the unending warfare of this life, that, having constantly and generously followed Jesus, we may be victors in the strife and deserve to receive the victor's crown in heaven. Amen	
Greetings from St. James The Great Catholic Women's League	<i>G. H. Grassby & Associates</i> <small>Incorporated</small> Gerry Grassby 77 Park Crescent, Richmond Hill L4E 3J5 Office: 905-773-8320 Cell: 416-697-1604 Muskoka: 705-762-1835		
PRAYER TO ST. ANNE Good St. Anne, you were especially favoured by God to be the mother of the most holy Virgin Mary, the Mother of our Saviour. By your power with your most pure daughter and with her divine Son, kindly obtain for us the grace and the favour we seek. Please secure for us also forgiveness of our past sins, the strength to perform faithfully our daily duties and the help we need to persevere in the love of Jesus and Mary. Amen.			
E May God Give to You	RR His Comfort and		A his peace

ST. JAMES THE GREAT PARISH and ST. ANNE'S

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WEEKEND MASSES
St. Anne's 1150 Whiteside Rd., Fenn's Point, Bala, ON
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am (May to Bala Cranberry Festival)

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St. James the Great (MacTier) 509 High St.
Sunday 11:00 am



St. James the Great



St. Anne's Mission Church

WEEKDAY MASSES: as scheduled inside.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish Priest or call the office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: by appointment, one year or at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 30 minutes before all weekend Masses or by appt.

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~ PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL ~

Sunday, August 4th, 2024
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Often when I am in the kitchen, someone stops by to ask what I was making. They come inquiring because there is something that piques curiosity or memory or, possibly, hope. This question is often followed by one about when it will be served—and then either joy or disappointment, depending on whether they will be present.

We want to be fed, to be nourished, by something enticing. And we seek it out by noticing what others are filling up on and then asking its source. Once we know, we sample for ourselves and come to an intimate awareness of why it called to us. And now frequently we then want more! Next pieces are broken off and offered to those around us—Oh, try this! The whole process is life-giving, sustaining nourishment for body and spirit alike.

That Jesus would speak of bread when describing himself is not a surprise. Everything about his ministry was about people experiencing the nourishment of love and the transformation that can happen when we take that love into our being and then extend that love to others. To systems of authority, that love and its fruit can be a threat. To a people who hunger for it, that love is an endless banquet with enough seating for all. Let the people come.

—Sr. Kimberly M. King, RSCF
 Halifax, NS

Summer Sunday Masses— August 3rd and August 4th, 2024

Saturday 5:00pm at St Anne's
In loving memory of Don Sheffar
 —Ann Sheffar

Sunday 9:00am Mass at St. Anne's
 —for the People of the Parish

11:00am at St. James
+Repose of the souls of Bert and Alice Biasucci
 —Anne Biasucci

Summer Weekday Masses —August 5th to August 10th, 2024

Monday NO MASS/Fr. Collins' day off

Tuesday 9:00am at St. James

Wednesday 9:00am at St. James

Thursday NO MASS

Friday 9:30am Mass followed by Adoration at 10:00am at St. James

Saturday 9:00am at St. James

Summer Sunday Masses— August 10th and August 11th, 2024

Saturday 5:00pm at St Anne's
 —for the People of the Parish

Sunday 9:00am Mass at St. Anne's
 —for the People of the Parish

11:00am at St. James
 —for the People of the Parish

PLEASE NOTE

- The weekly bulletin is sent out every Thursday via email. If you would like to be added to the bulletin email list, please contact the office either by calling 705-375-2478 or email office@stjamesmactier.ca
- Mandy at the office will be away starting August 12th and returning August 26th. Please contact Fr. Collins during this time if you require assistance.
- There will no longer be a weekday Mass on Thursdays due to lack of attendance.
- **Welcome back Summer Parishioners!**

AUGUST DEVOTION

The month of August is dedicated to the **Immaculate Heart**. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of Jesus is) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life. Such devotion is an incentive to a similar love and virtue. This devotion has received new emphasis in this century from the visions given to Lucy Dos Santos, oldest of the visionaries of Fatima, in her convent in Tuy, in Spain, in 1925 and 1926. In the visions Our Lady asked for the practice of the Five First Saturdays to help make amends for the offenses committed against her heart by the blasphemies and ingratitude of men. The practice parallels the devotion of the Nine First Fridays in honor of the Sacred Heart. On October 31, 1942, Pope Pius XII made a solemn Act of Consecration of the Church and the whole world to the Immaculate Heart. Let us remember this devotion year-round, but particularly through the month of August. Excerpted from *The Prayer Book* by Reverend John P. O'Connell, M.A., S.T.D. and Jex Martin, M.A.



POPE'S INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

For political leaders. We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs. To read reflections on the Pope's Prayer Intentions, visit www.livingwithchrist.ca

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

The sacrifice of the Mass is the greatest celebration in Heaven and the best offering for our departed relatives, friends, special needs, and intentions. Try to offer at least one Mass Intention for deceased family members each year. Please email or call the office or let Fr. Collins know if you require a Mass Request.



VOCATIONS, YOUTH, AND CAMPUS MINISTRY SPECIAL COLLECTION 2024

Nurturing the Next Generation

On August 3/4, there will be a special collection to support vocations, youth ministry, and university chaplaincy in our diocese. Your contributions nurture future priests, empower our youth with faith and guidance, and support the spiritual needs of university and college students. Please give generously, ensuring we strengthen the next generation of Catholics. Donate through the parish or at www.peterboroughdiocese.org.

SAINTS CORNER— SAINT JOHN MARY VIANNEY— AUGUST 4TH

A man with vision overcomes obstacles and performs deeds that seem impossible. John Vianney was a man with vision: He wanted to become a priest. But he had to overcome his meager formal schooling, which inadequately prepared him for seminary studies.

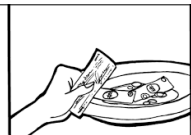
His failure to comprehend Latin lectures forced him to discontinue. But his vision of being a priest urged him to seek private tutoring. After a lengthy battle with the books, John was ordained.

Situations calling for "impossible" deeds followed him everywhere. As pastor of the parish at Ars, John encountered people who were indifferent and quite comfortable with their style of living. His vision led him through severe fasts and short nights of sleep.

With Catherine Lassagne and Benedicta Lardet, he established La Providence, a home for girls. Only a man of vision could have such trust that God would provide for the spiritual and material needs of all those who came to make La Providence their home. His work as a confessor is John Vianney's most remarkable accomplishment. In the winter months he was to spend 11 to 12 hours daily reconciling people with God. In the summer months this time was increased to 16 hours. Unless a man was dedicated to his vision of a priestly vocation, he could not have endured this giving of self day after day.

Many people look forward to retirement and taking it easy, doing the things they always wanted to do but never had the time. But John Vianney had no thoughts of retirement. As his fame spread, more hours were consumed in serving God's people. Even the few hours he would allow himself for sleep were disturbed frequently by the devil.

Who, but a man with vision, could keep going with ever-increasing strength? In 1929, Pope Pius XI named him the patron of parish priests worldwide.



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