

**FEAST OF ST JOHN MARY VIANNEY
(Feast 4th August, 2019)**

- Born on August 4, the Church celebrates the feast day of St. John Vianney, patron of priests. Vianney slowly helped to revive the community's faith through both his prayers and the witness of his lifestyle. He gave powerful homilies on the mercy and love of God, and it is said that even staunch sinners were converted upon hearing him. His reputation as a confessor grew rapidly, and pilgrims traveled from all over France to come to him in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



FR. LUCA EDUCATION FUND

- We have begun Fr. Luca Education Fund, in the honour of Fr. Luca, who was instrumental in building our Cathedral. We will be distributing the Scholarship for the needy students of our parish on 15th August, 2019. Those who wish to donate towards this cause may contact parish fathers.

SCC WISE MASS ANIMATION

DATE	MASS	SCC UNIT	COORDINATOR
11 Aug	9.00 am	St Thomas	Ms Jasmine
11 Aug	10.15 am	St Mother Teresa	Mr. Sunit Tirkey



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PARISH PRIEST'S CORNER

"Priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus. When you see a priest, think of our Lord Jesus Christ." St. John Marie Vianney.

On 4th of August, we celebrate Vianney Sunday. We gratefully remember all the priests who had rendered their selfless service to Sacred Heart Cathedral from its very inception. We pray for all our former Parish Priests who worked in this Cathedral beginning with Fr Luca Vannuchi, the one who built this magnificent Cathedral in the year 1935. Fr Columbo OMC was appointed the first Chaplain to the Parish in 1929 even before the Cathedral was built. He was succeeded by Fr Gabriel OC, Fr Sylvester OSFC and Fr Abraham. In 1940, Fr Alban Swarbrick OFM Cap took over the charge of Sacred Heart Cathedral, followed by Fr Lawrence OFM Cap for a year. He was succeeded by Fr John Burke, who, in 1959 became the first bishop of Simla-Chandigarh Diocese. Most Rev Angelo Fernandes then assumed the office of the administrator of the Sacred Heart Cathedral until he appointed Rev Fr I dos Santos to the same office. He held this office till Fr Vincent Concessao became the parish Priest in 1990. As Fr Vincent was made the Auxillary Bishop of Delhi in 1995, Fr Charles D'souza succeeded him as the parish priest. Fr Joe Thomas took over from him in 1999 for a brief period. Fr Susai Sebastian was the parish priest from 2000 -2005, Fr Januario Rebello from 2005- 2011 and Fr Maria Susai from 2011- 2016. We also remember the all the assistant priests who served in the parish over the years. As we celebrate the feast of John Mary Vianney, we bow our head in prayer for all the above mentioned stalwarts of Sacred Heart Cathedral. May the Good Lord bless them all abundantly.

Keep praying for your priests. May we have many more priests in the mould of St. John Marie Vianney.

"THE ACT OF CHARITY IS NOT, IN FACT, SIMPLY ALMSGIVING TO EASE ONE'S CONSCIENCE. IT INCLUDES A 'LOVING ATTENTIVENESS TOWARDS THE OTHER' WHICH CONSIDERS THE OTHER AS 'ONE WITH HIMSELF' AND DESIRES TO SHARE FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD. CHARITY, THEREFORE, IS AT THE CENTRE OF THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH AND, IN THE WORDS OF SAINT THÉRÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS, IS TRULY THE HEART OF THE CHURCH."

- POPE FRANCIS

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REFLECTION

It's time to take stock of ourselves. We are challenged today to see what our priorities are. In the First Reading the author remarks that life sometimes seems meaningless as people focus on their possessions and seek to get more. In the Second Reading, St. Paul addresses the Colossians (and us) and advises that all believers "put to death the parts of you that are earthly." In the Gospel, Jesus also speaks about the futility of stockpiling things that will not be going with us as we transition from this earthly existence to eternity. In the Gospel, someone unhappy with the way his sibling is handling their inheritance, asks Jesus to get involved in the situation. Jesus uses the occasion to remind His audience that the focus is in the wrong place. If people are merely interested in amassing wealth and possession, they will lose that what they treasure most when they are faced with death. Yet if one places value on developing a richer relationship with GOD, then death is a transition to fulfilment of one's searching, and one will be rewarded far beyond one's expectations.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

05/Mon Num 11:4-15 / Ps 81:12-17/ Mt 14:13-21
 06/Tue Dan 7:09-10,13-14/ Ps 97/2 Pet 1:16-19/ Lk 9:28-36
 07/Wed Num 13: 1-2,25-14:1,26-29,34-35/Ps 106/ Mt 15:21-28
 08/Thu Num 20:1-13/ Ps 95:1-2,6-9/Mt 16:13-23
 09/Fri Deut 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-16,21 / Mt 16:24-28
 10/Sat 2 Cor 9:6-10/ Ps 112:1-2,5-9/ Jn 12:24-26
 Dan 7:9-10,13-14/Ps 97/ 2Pet 1:16-19/ Lk 9:28-36

Parish Priest -

Fr. Lawrence P R

Asst. Parish Priests - Fr. J. John Britto

Fr Shinil Jacob

Priest-in Residence -

PARISH NEWS

1. TODAY, we celebrate the Vianney Sunday. We pray all the priest of our parish and our Archdiocese. There will be a second collection for the welfare of the clergy.
2. Send your children for the Catechism Classes regularly and make sit in the front pews during the Eucharist.
3. The Women Commission is organizing an awareness program on the theme " Women as agents of change" today at Yusuf Sadan from 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm.
4. 10th of August is observed as the day protesting against the negligence of the rights of the Dalits of minority communities.
5. DCRS is organizing the 10th Annual Little Angels and Sub Juniors Retreat on the 12th August at DCC and Yusuf Sadan. For more details please refer the Notice Board.
6. The Universal Church celebrates the feast of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the 15th of August. We also celebrate the Independence Day on the same day. As you are well aware, it is a day of obligation. The mass timings of the day are as follows: 9.00am – English mass, offered by His Grace Archbp. Anil Couto. 10.30 Hindi and 11.30 English and 6.30 pm in English. Kindly note, Masses at 6.30am and 4.30pm remain cancelled.
7. Students who have secured (70% and above marks in English Medium) and (60% and above in Hindi Medium) in the Board Examination (10th and 12th) during the academic year 2018-19 requested to submit the copies of Mark Sheet along with a copy of the Church membership card at the help Desk. Today is the last day to submit the copies. On 15th August, 2019 the students will be felicitated at Sacred Heart cathedral.
8. We appreciate all members of St. John Paul SCC unit and St Francis Xavier SC Unit for animating the Liturgy for 09.00 am & 10:15am Mass respectively.