

* JUNE 14: ARDENT FAITH

Saint John Marie Baptist Vianney you were born of a deeply religious mother; from her you received the Holy Faith; you learned to love God and to pray. At a young age, you were seen kneeling in the front of the statue of Mary. Your soul was supernaturally carried towards the things on High. Despite the high cost, you answered your vocation! Against many obstacles and contradictions, you had to fight and suffer to become the perfect priest which you were. But your deep spirit of faith supported you in all these battles. O Great Saint you know the desire of my soul; I would like to serve God better; from Him I have received so many good things. For this, obtain for me more courage and especially the depth of faith. Many of my thoughts, words, and actions are useless for my sanctification and for my salvation, because this supernatural spirit does not stir up my life. Help me to be better in the future. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

* JUNE 15: COMPLETE TRUST IN GOD

Saint John Marie Baptist Vianney, what confidence the people had in your prayers! You could not leave your old rectory or your humble church without being surrounded by imploring souls, who appealed to you as they would have appealed to Jesus Himself during His earthly life. And you, O good Saint, gave them hope by your words, which were full of love for God. You, who had always counted entirely on the heart of God, obtain for me a deep filial trust in His Providence. As the hope of divine goods fills my heart, give me courage and help me to always obey the Commandments of God. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

* JUNE 16: TRUE LOVE OF NEIGHBOR

Saint John Marie Baptist Vianney because of your love of God you showed great charity towards your neighbor. You could not preach on the Love of God without burning tears of love. During your last years, it seemed as though you could not talk about anything else or live for anything else. Thus, you sacrificed yourself to your neighbor by consoling, absolving and sanctifying them to the limits of your strength. Your charity inspires me to greater love of God, a love which is shown more by acts than by words. Help me to love my neighbor generously as Christ loves them. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

* JUNE 17: HORROR OF SIN

Saint John Mary Baptist Vianney, you were so adamant against sin, yet so sympathetic and so ready to welcome the sinner. I come to you today as if you were still alive, as if I were kneeling at your feet and you could hear me. Bend towards me, listen to the repentant confidence for the weaknesses and miserable deeds of mine. Priest of the Lord, inexhaustible Confessor, obtain for me the horror for sin. You wanted us First to avoid the occasion of sin. I want to take your advice and make the resolution to break bad habits and to avoid the dangerous occasions of sin. Help me today to examine my conscience. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for... (mention silently your special intentions).

* JUNE 18: CONFESSOR OF SOULS

O Holy Priest of Ars, you knew how important a good confession for the Christian life was. It was to procure the happy fruits of millions of souls that you agreed to be in an uncomfortable confessional, which was like a prison, up to 15 to 16 hours on certain days. I will try to develop the habit of frequent confession, to prepare properly each time and to have always regret for my sins, so that the grace of final perseverance but also the sanctification of my soul will be assured. Ask this grace for me. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

* JUNE 19: REAL PRESENCE

O Holy Priest of Ars, whose only comfort in this world was the real presence of Jesus in the tabernacle, was it not your great joy to distribute the Eucharist to the pilgrims who visited you? You refused Communion to the souls who refused to reform but to souls of goodwill you opened wide the doors of the Eucharistic Feast. You, who each day at Holy Mass received Holy Communion with great loves, give me some of your fervor. With freedom from mortal sin, obtain for me a sincere desire to profit from receiving Holy Communion. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for... (mention silently your special intentions).

* JUNE 20: DISPELLER OF SATAN

O Holy Priest of Ars, the infamous attacks of the devil which you had to suffer and the trials which disheartened you by fatigue would not make you give up the sublime task of converting souls. The devil came to you for many years to disturb your short rest but you won because of mortification and prayers. Powerful protector, you know the temptor's desire to harm my baptized and believing soul. He would have me sin, by rejecting the Holy Sacraments and the life of virtue. But good Saint of Ars dispel from me the traces of the enemy. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

* JUNE 21: EXQUISITE PURITY

O Holy Priest of Ars, a witness of your life made this magnificent praise of you: "We would have taken him for an angel in a mortal body." You so edified others: the modesty and the exquisite purity radiated from your body. With such charm and with such enthusiasm you preached to others about these beautiful virtues which you said resembled the perfume of a vineyard in bloom. Please I beg you to join your entreaties to those of Mary Immaculate and Saint Philomena in order that I guard always, as God asks me, the purity of my heart. You, who have directed so many souls towards the heights of virtue, defend me in temptations and obtain for me the strength to conquer them. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

* JUNE 22: DESIRE FOR HEAVEN

O Holy Priest of Ars, your precious remains are contained in a magnificent reliquary, the donation from the priests of France. But this earthly glory is only a very pale image of the unspeakable glory which you are enjoying with God. During the time you were on earth, you used to repeat in your dejected hours, "one will rest in the other life." It is done, you are in eternal peace, and eternal happiness. I desire to follow you one day. Until then, I hear you saying to me: "You should work and fight as long as you are in the world." Teach me then to work for the salvation of my soul, to spread the good news and good example and to do good towards those around me in order that I will receive the happiness of the Elect with you. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

How to Make This Parish Novena

Each day, during the time you have set aside for prayer...

1. Begin by making the Sign of the Cross.
2. Read the daily reflection on St. John Vianney.
3. Pray for St. André's Parish vocations to the priesthood, Fr. Joe Giroux, and your own personal intentions.
4. Say an *Our Father*, a *Hail Mary*, and a *Glory Be*.

Who Is St. John Vianney?

Saint John Mary Vianney is familiarly known as the Curé of Ars and as such is the heavenly patron of all parish priests.

He was born of poor parents in Dardilly, France, in 1786. He began his studies for the priesthood at the age of nineteen and only after many failures and difficulties was he ordained in 1815.

He was appointed pastor of the village of Ars where the Faith had practically vanished. Here he labored for the rest of his life gaining a worldwide reputation as a priest who practiced great penance, exercised a wondrous power in the confessional, and softened the hearts of sinners by his preaching.

After many trials, not the least of which was an obsession by the devil, Father Vianney, exhausted by his labors and his penance, returned his soul to God in 1859. He was canonized in 1929 and his feast is celebrated on August 4.

PILGRIM WALK

Saturday, June 22, 2019 at 8:00am
Walk from St. Helen's Church
to St. John Bosco Parish Center
(St. André Parish Office)

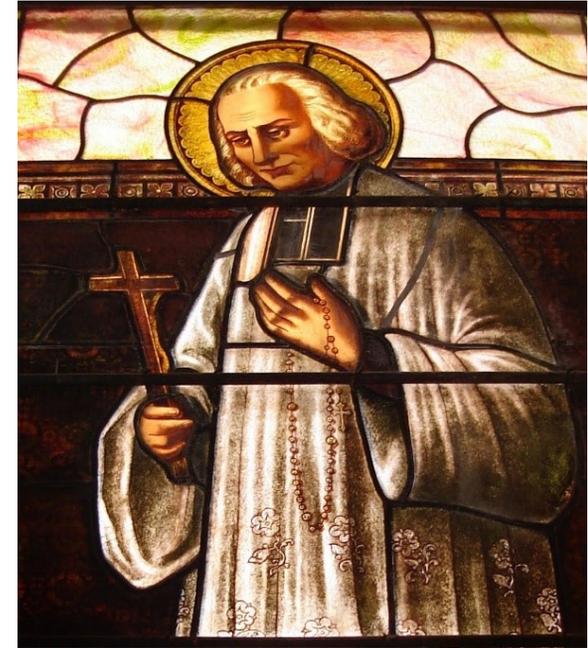
To pay tribute to Father Joe there are several activities being planned for his final weekend in Malone. One of events will be a walk to commemorate the formation of St. André's Parish, which took place on July 1, 2014. Five years ago, on that date a group of parishioners gathered together to pray at St. Helen's Church in Chasm Falls before proceeding to walk from there to Notre Dame Church in Malone. To celebrate the establishment of St. André's, we are excited to announce another pilgrimage from St. Helen's to St. John Bosco this time to take place on Saturday, June 22nd. All interested in participating should meet at St. Helen's Church at 8:00 a.m. for a blessing and prayer.

As a part of the walk, we hope to raise money for the Good Samaritan Food Pantry which holds a special place in Father Joe's heart and serves over 200 families in the Malone area a month. There will be donation boxes at St. Helen's and St. John Bosco to place monetary gifts for the Food Pantry. If you are unable to participate in the walk, but would still like to contribute to this cause, please place your monetary donation in an envelope marked "Food Pantry" and place it in the collection basket Sunday. Another suggestion if you are unable to join the walk is to stop in the morning at Notre Dame or St. John Bosco to offer prayers for St. André's Parish and vocations to the priesthood.

The route for the walk will take participants up the Fayette Road to the Webster Street Road. From there they will proceed down the Webster Street Road to Main Street then onto St. John Bosco. The most challenging part of the route will be the hill by the Ski Center in Chasm Falls. There will be volunteers at St. Helen's to shuttle participants up the hill who desire a ride. The distance for the walk is just shy of 10 miles. Rest stations will be set up along the way for water, snacks and a bathroom break. If that distance seems overwhelming, please consider meeting the group at Davis School around 11:00 a.m. to walk the final mile to St. John Bosco where there will light refreshments.

NOTE: Unfortunately, there is a conflict with Holy Family's scheduled event, "Holy Bubbles", on the same date. If you are torn between which event to support, we are certain prayers and donations for either and/or both of these events would be greatly appreciated. God bless and thank you.

"The Priesthood is the Love of the Heart of Jesus"



Parish Novena to Saint John Vianney

June 14th – June 22nd



St. André Bessette Parish
Malone, New York