13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 28, 2015

Who among us would not welcome a miracle? While we can look back in time and see the miracles of the past, it may not be so easy to see those in our own day. It takes faith to be able to recognize miracles. It requires taking time out of our busy schedules to pray and contemplate God’s actions in our world. There are miracles occurring today, we have only to believe in order to see.

Dear Parishioners: what a great time of celebration! Congratulations to all our elementary, secondary & college graduates and teaching staff who can take pride in many years of good work! I thank the people who discerned a call to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council: Lynette Graham, Phil LaPorte, Kathy Regier and Janet Soudant. (Our diocesan Director of Pastoral Planning, Connie Paré, suggests that we get six members, so I will be appointing two more in the very near future.) Thanks to all who have served on the current Council for getting us to a place where we can move ahead, to follow more closely the diocesan guidelines and help implement a true pastoral plan for both our parishes. Let’s celebrate our feast days: Monday is the feast of Sts. Peter & Paul, which for us is a solemnity. Please consider joining us for Mass & a BBQ to follow! We have a relic of St. Peter, which I will be happy to bless people with at the end of the Mass. May the faith of the saints continue to move us! Welcome to everyone celebrating our national holidays of Canada Day & Independence Day this coming week: may God continue to bless our countries, and make us worthy citizens of the world. (I think Wednesday is supposed to be blustery, so I won’t be wearing my kilt to the highland games in Embro!) God bless you & your family this week. Fr. Matt

From Love is Our Mission, the catechism for the 2015 World Meeting of Families (#14)

To speak of men and women as the “image of God” means that we cannot speak of humanity without reference to God. If the nature of God is to be a Trinity of communion — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit — and if we are made in that image, then our nature is to be interdependent. To be a person, we need communion. (cf. Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2331)

World Meeting of Families 2015 Philadelphia

Custodian Needed
St. Peter’s Roman Catholic Church
73344 Bluewater Highway
North of St. Joseph’s

Weekly cleaning of Church & Hall. Extra cleaning services required upon request. For a detailed job description contact the Church office at 519-236-4191 or email bluewater@dol.ca. Please submit resume to the Church office located at 22 Mary Street, Zurich, ON N0M 2T0 by June 30, 2015.
Priests Thank You For Your Generosity

Last weekend, our parish took a special collection to support our retired priests. Despite these difficult economic times, we appreciate your generous response to share in the care of those faithful priests who have ministered to your spiritual needs for generations. Your priests truly appreciate your support and thank you for contributing so generously to the Priests’ Pension Plan collection. If you haven’t given yet, you may still return the special collection envelope in upcoming collections or give it to the parish office. Please make a notation for Priests’ Pension Collection on the cheque or envelope.

Goderich Ultreya

Our June ultreya in Goderich will be on Sunday, June 28 at the Knight’s of Columbus Centre on Parsons Court at 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome. We will then break for the summer. Our September ultreya will be on Friday, September 11 at 6 pm - a pot luck. The London cursillistas will be joining us in September. For further info call Eileen at 519-524-9400 or Marie at 519-395-5261. See you there.

Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine in the Diocese of London

A hidden gem tucked away in Southwestern Ontario. There are four beautiful themed trails to experience: Holy Mass is celebrated in the centre of “The Rosary Trail”. We are home to the first Canadian Rosarian Monastery. Plan a 2015 pilgrimage this summer for a spiritual renewal. Special Shrine Days: July 2, 13, 16 & August 13-22 (inclusive) September 12, 13, 14 and 15 from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. Special Vigil Mass August 14 and 21 at 8:00 pm. (Shrine and Trails are lighted) Plenty of parking - Picnic tables - Wheelchair accessible. St. Michael’s Gift Shop is open during Shrine days and all year round Tuesday & Wednesday 10:00 am - 4:30 pm or by appointment. Faith Workshops are offered from Spring through Fall for schools and educational groups. Visit website for more info. Open year round for personal prayer.

Catholic Christian Leadership Camp 2015

Are you looking for a fantastic experience for your teen this summer? Then consider Catholic Christian Leadership Camp, where youth learn not only about themselves, but also about the people around them, and their faith. It is a fantastic opportunity for any high school aged youth, entering grades 9 through 12 this coming September. At CCLC, your teen will engage in a team environment full of activities that develop communication, trust, and leadership skills, all while having a blast! Our incredible staff team strives to develop youths to be leaders in their school and parish communities, while affirming them in their faith. For more information, or to register, visit www.dol.ca.

Vacation Bible School

Monday, July 6 - Friday, July 10 at the Zurich Mennonite Church. Times: drop off at 8:45 am and pick up is at noon. This year VBS will only be open to Kindergarten students up to Grade 6. There will be no youth classes (grade 7 -10) this year. Parents can register their children online at www.ZurichVBS.ca. We are also looking for volunteers. If you can help please contact us at ZurichVBS@gmail.com or April Eilers at 519-236-9921. You may follow us on Facebook, check out our page: “Zurich Vacation Bible School” - www.facebook.com/zurchvbs.

Prayer List

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family suffering from illness, Joyce Waller, Roxanne Rau, Louise Merner, Reese Lenssen, Steven Wild-Denys, Darl Rau, Tanya Ashenden, Joyce Cole, Zack Baldwin, and Barb Regier.

Canada Day - July 1st

The office will be closed and there will be no Masses on Wednesday, July 1st.

12 Hour Adoration

There will be 12 Hour Adoration on Friday, July 3 from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm at St. Boniface Church. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex of the Church.

St. Peter’s CWL

There will be a planning meeting on Tuesday, July 14 at 7 pm in St. Peter’s church hall for the annual “Penny Sale”. Lots of volunteers are needed to make this annual event successful. So come on out for a coffee & doughnut and sign up to help out for a few hours at the Penny Sale. The date for this year’s Penny Sale is August 15 & 16, with the draws taking place on Sunday, August 16.

Each year St. Peter’s C.W.L. offers their “Faith in Action” award to a graduating Grade 12 student from St. Anne’s Catholic School. This award is presented to a student who is an active member of St. Peter’s Parish in St. Joseph, who is active in the community and is a positive role model to youth. St. Peter’s C.W.L. congratulates Thomas Hartman, the winner of the 2015 Faith in Action award.

The Word Among Us and Living Faith Booklets

The Word Among Us Booklets for July and Living Faith Booklets for July, August & September are available in the entrances of the Churches. Cost: $2/each.

Have a Rosary - Need a Rosary?

There is a box at the back of our Churches containing several rosaries. If you wish a rosary, please feel free to take whichever one you like. If you have extra rosaries at home which you are not using, please put them in the box. At the end of the year, if there is a large number, we will send them to the missions.

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Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

Events at a glance.....

- Finance Meeting - Tuesday, June 30 following the 7 pm Mass at St. Boniface Church
- First Friday & 12 Hour Adoration - Friday, July 3 at St. Boniface Church
- Vacation Bible School - July 6 - 10 at the Zurich Mennonite Church from 8:45 am - noon
- Coffee Sunday at St. Peter’s Church - Sunday, July 26 after the 11 am Mass

SHOW YOUR LOVE FOR YOUR PARISH BY REMEMBERING TO INCLUDE YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.
**St. Boniface and St. Peter Parishes**

**Weekend Masses**

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**Pastoral Staff:**

- **Pastor:** Fr. Matthew George
- **Secretary:** Lori LaPorte
- **Office Hours:**
  - Tuesday - Thursday:
    - 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
  - Friday - 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

**MISSION STATEMENT**

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20 (NRSV, Catholic edition)

**Parish Organizations**

- **Parish Advisory Council:** A combined council meets every month to discuss and plan pastoral initiatives and practical functioning of the parish. If you have suggestions please consider contacting one of the members.
- **Youth Ministry:** Youth from grades 5 to 8 gather regularly for fun, faith and friendship. See the website for information.
- **Children’s Liturgy of the Word:** Every Sunday at both the 9:00 am and 11:00 am masses.
- **Catholic Cemeteries:** We have the privilege of having cemeteries associated with St Peter and St. Boniface Churches. Information can be found on the website.
- **Other Organizations:** Catholic Women’s Leagues, Knights of Columbus and others.

**Website**

Our website is regularly updated. There is a monthly calendar of events, important information and great pictures. [www.bluewater.dionet.ca](http://www.bluewater.dionet.ca)

**Contact Information**

- **Mail:** 22 Mary St., PO Box 81 Zurich Ontario N0M 2T0
- **Phone:** 519 236-4191
- **E-mail:** bluewater@dol.ca

**Parish Council**

- **Chair:** Monique Hartman
- **Vice-Chair:** Brian DePaepe
- **Rose Marie Rader**
- **Ken Forler**
- **Liz Masse**

**Celebrating Our Faith**

**Baptism**

Please contact the office as you await the birth of your child or while you are awaiting adoption.

**Reconciliation**

God sent His Son so that we might be saved! Experience God’s healing through the sacrament of reconciliation before Mass on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 - 6:45 pm at St. Boniface or Saturday mornings from 8:00 - 8:45 am at St. Peter’s or by appointment.

**Marriages**

The sacrament of marriage is a beautiful expression of God’s love for the world! Minimum six months notice is required during which time the engaged couple must attend a Marriage Preparation Course.

**Sacrament of the Sick**

If you know of a person who is in hospital, or who is homebound because of illness and is desiring the sacrament of the sick, contact the office to make arrangements.

**Bluewater Nursing Home**

A weekly mass is offered on Thursdays at 3:30 pm in the chapel. All are welcome.

**Devotions**

- **St. Joseph and Saint André** - Saturday after the 9:00 am mass - St. Peter’s.
- **Our Lady of Perpetual Help** - Wednesday after the 7:00 pm mass - St. Boniface.

Every first Friday at St. Boniface Church there is **exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm—come be transformed by the healing power of Jesus.