We hear in the first reading that the Jewish believers accompanying Peter were astonished when the Spirit comes upon the Gentiles. Love and inclusion are clearly to be a part of the new Church established by Jesus. Whoever fears God and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. Who are we to act differently?

Dear Parishioners: here we go from our cold, gray spring to 30˚C weather! Let’s hope our furnace fires get a chance to cool down before we fire up our air conditioners! This has been an eventful week, with our school communities celebrating Catholic Education Week, and our deanery’s meeting with the Diocesan Taskforce on the Future of Pastoral Care: our Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Committee members who were present will soon be making a presentation to our parishes about the re-organizing of parishes as we face the future with fewer priests. We welcome Connie Pare, the Director of Pastoral Planning, to speak about how we function as a parish and the role the PPC can play in helping mature our vision for our communities. I’m excited to be attending the GR8 Festival in Sarnia this week with the Grade 8’s from St. Boniface School: I think any opportunity to experience the wider reality of the Church will help each person and parish to find new energy & purpose as disciples of Christ.

For National Week for Life & the Family (check out the link on our Canadian Bishops’ website www.cccb.ca), I am planning on visiting my MP’s local office & letting the staff there know what my expectations around euthanasia and the www.giveustime.ca campaign are. Wouldn’t it be great if a steady stream of voters stopped by to let our representative know that this literal life-and-death issue is definitely on our radar? Jesus calls us friends: how will we be friends in this life and the next? God bless!

Fr. Matt

HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY

TO ALL WHO SHARE IN THIS VOCATION!!!

Mother’s Day Breakfast
Everyone is invited to our Mother’s Day Breakfast this Sunday, May 10 from 10 am - 12 pm at the Zurich Community Centre. Sponsored by St. Boniface Knights of Columbus.

Bulletin News for the Weeks of May 18 - 31
Please have all bulletins news from May 18 - 31 to the Church Office no later then Wednesday, May 13 as we will be doing a 2 week bulletin.

Nepal Earthquake
Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Nepal. On April 25th, the country experienced a destructive 7.8 magnitude earthquake. We are currently collecting donations for the Nepal Earthquake Relief Efforts. Your contribution will be matched by the Canadian Government until May 25/15. If you would like to make a donation to the Nepal Earthquake Relief Efforts please make cheques payable to your parish and place in an envelope marked “Nepal Earthquake”. The money collected will be forwarded to the Diocese of London as soon as possible. The Diocese will then forward all funds to Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. Thank you for your generosity and prayers for the people of Nepal.
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, Bill Brand, Katelyn Bedour, Barb Regier and Jasper Eilers.

Prayers and Sympathy

Please remember in your prayers for Peter Salvador of London, husband of Theresa (Regier) who died this past week. May he rest in peace.

St. Boniface CWL

General Meeting - will be on Tuesday, May 12 at 7:30 pm. It will be Patti & Carmel’s group hosting the meeting.

Thank-you for your generous support to the St. Boniface Church Fundraiser & Bake Sale on April 19. The winners were:
- $50.00 Hessenland Gift Certificate & “Footloose” Tickets - Grant Fisher
- $50.00 Cash & Clock - Catherine Masse
- $35.00 Jerry Rader's Gift Certificate & Cheese Board - Heather Evans
- "Frozen" Gift Basket - Pam Regier
- "Planes" Gift Basket - Jane Bedard
- Outdoor Lantern - Alicia Lobb
- Wooden Drying Rack - Julie Becker
- Wooden Side Table - Myla Lobb
- Handmade Quilt - Michelle DePape
- Kitchen Gift Basket - Doreen Hartman
- Zero Gravity Reclining Lawn Chair - Kyle Evans
- Garlic Box Gift Basket - Debbie Pennings
- Olive Oil Gift Basket & Wreath - Debbie Pennings
- 50/50 ($196.00) - Ted Soudant

St. Peter’s CWL

CWL Meeting - Tuesday, May 12 at 7 pm in the Church Hall. Guest speaker: Marilyn Hern, teacher at St. Boniface School. Marilyn will speak about the work done by herself and the team to prepare the children to receive the Sacrament of 1st Communion. We have been blessed to witness the children receive their 1st Communion during the Easter celebrations at both parishes, St. Peter’s & St. Boniface. Join us on May 12th as we hear how our children learn of God’s love.

Bake Sale & Coffee Sunday - will be held on Sunday, May 17 following the 11 am Mass. You can drop off your bake sale donation at the church hall on Saturday, May 16 from 4 to 5 pm OR on Sunday, May 17 from 10 to 11 am. Contact persons: Elaine Jeffrey & Lesley Jeffrey. Quilt Tickets are now ready to be picked up and will be on the table just inside the front door of the church. Please take a book to sell and lets have another good year.

CWL Regional Fun Night - Western Theme

Tuesday, May 19 in Parkhill - Happy Hour at 5:30 pm; Dinner at 6:30 pm. Cost is $20. Email Kathleen Roulston at kathleen@hay.net or Dianne Tucker at mtucker27@aol.com to let them know if you are going.

Catch the Fire

St Boniface CWL will be hosting a Catch the Fire on June 6th. ALL ladies of our parishes are invited to attend, it will be a time of fun, fellowship, and inspiration. There will be a cost of $6 for the lunch. Registration at 8:30 am, Mass at 9 am, program starts around 9:30 am in school gym. A sign-up sheet will be posted at the back of the church. Hope we have a good turnout.

Office Hours

The office will be closed on Wednesday, May 13 as I will be away at a Secretaries Spring Gathering. Lori LaPorte

Please Mark Your Calendars!!

Everyone is invited to the Ordination Mass for David Johnston. Please mark your calendars - the Mass will be celebrated on Monday, June 1 at St. Peter’s Church.

Choir Practises for David’s Ordination

Please mark your calendars for two choir practises at St. Peter’s Church for David’s Ordination Mass - Monday, May 18 at 7 pm and Sunday, May 31 at 7 pm. Anyone interested in singing for David’s Mass are most welcome and are encouraged to attend the practises.

Faith in Action Award

Students graduating from St. Anne’s are invited to put their names forward to be considered for the St. Peter’s CWL Faith in Action Award. The criteria are - to be an active member of St. Peter’s (in St. Joseph) Church, and a good role model for youth, with involvement in the church and community. Letters stating how they are involved can be brought to the church or church office in an envelope labelled St. Peter’s CWL by May 24.

Finances as of April 30, 2015

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Events at a glance.....

- Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Wednesday, May 13 following the 7 pm Mass at St. Boniface Church
- Life in the Spirit Seminar - Saturday, May 16 at St. Peter’s Church/Hall beginning with 5 pm Mass
- St. Peter’s CWL Bake Sale & Coffee Sunday - Sunday, May 17 following the 11 am Mass
- CWL Regional Fun Night - Tuesday, May 19 in Parkhill
- Life in the Spirit Seminar - Saturday, May 23 at St. Peter’s Church/Hall beginning with 5 pm Mass
- Cemetery Sunday - Sunday, May 24 the blessing of all our cemeteries
- K of C Card Party - Tuesday, May 26 at 7:30 pm at St. Boniface Church

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**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.

**Contact Information**

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

**Website**

Our website is regularly updated. There is a monthly calendar of events, important information and great pictures.  
www.bluewater.dionet.ca

**Parish Council**

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

**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)

**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.