5th Sunday of Easter - April 24, 2016

In this Easter season, we celebrate the timelessness of God’s creation and loving intercession in the world; from the covenant with the Jews, through the incarnation of the Word, to our celebration of the Eucharist today. God’s sacrificial love has redeemed us, creating a new heaven and a new earth, wiping away sin and death.

Dear Parishioners: what a week! The Diocesan CWL Convention was nothing less than a revelation – when our bishop asked three times “Are you ready for this mission [i.e., of calling upon all the gifts of all the Baptized, renewing our parish life & moving towards “families” of parishes]?”, and shouted “Halleluia!” I knew we had entered some very new territory. One of the speakers was Michelle O’Rourke, an expert in palliative care from Chatham: she educated us about many issues (I never knew you can self-refer to a palliative unit! Why are there people out there facing death alone??), and suggested we all use the advance care directive resources at www.speakuponario.ca. I love the idea they have, of inviting people to post pictures of themselves having “the conversation” with families & friends, about our expectations for end-of-life care. Please, everyone: as we enter into this new age of euthanasia, our personal & communal Catholic voices must be heard. Start by talking with your family & doctor, and then include our lawmakers & civil servants in your conversations. You’ll find Bishop Fabbro’s latest communication about the Euthanasia Law inserted in this bulletin: please give this huge issue – and our bishop’s directives – the thoughtful response they deserve. I am so convinced we must continue to celebrate life in the midst of this madness: God bless all our First Communicants & their families for saying “Amen-Yes!” to the Bread of Life! Thanks be to God, our friend David Johnston has been ordained to the priesthood today (Saturday): may God bless Fr. David with many years of fruitful ministry in our diocese. (I will be sure to tell him the first 20 years pass like a blur.) Remember Fr. David will be here next Sunday, so that I can participate in our local COR Retreat: spread the word – we need some young men to balance things out, as the ladies are filling it up so far! Registration forms are available at the doors of the church. The Lord gives us a new commandment of love: may love & mercy mark us as disciples this week! God bless. Fr. Matt

Mother Teresa Faith in Action Award
The Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board is pleased to announce that the following exemplary models of Catholic service will be awarded with the Mother Teresa Faith in Action Award for 2016.

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The Board looks forward to recognizing the award recipients at its Catholic Education Week Mass on Monday, May 2, 2016 at St. Patrick’s Church in Dublin at 5:00 p.m. We are honoured to have His Excellency Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Dabrowski celebrate the Mass. The Huron-Perth Catholic Trustees’ Student Leadership Awards will also be given out. Everyone is cordially invited and we look forward to welcoming you.

Mass Intentions for the Week of April 25 - May 1

MONDAY: April 25
(We pray for Rev. Zoonimir Kutlesa, O.F.M.)

TUESDAY: April 26 - No Mass
(We Pray for Rev. Matthew Kucharski)

WEDNESDAY: April 27
(We Pray for Deacon Dennis Kosokowsky)

St. Boniface Church - 7:00 pm
“Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help”
Int. of Fr. Matt George
- Anthony & Monique Hartman & Family
+Maria Mathonia - Karl & Mary Regier
+Andrew Martens - Ray & Janice Hartman

THURSDAY: April 28
(We Pray for Rev. Bogdan Molenda, S. Chr.)

Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm
+Olivia Bedard - Jean Geoffrey & Family

FRIDAY: April 29
(We Pray for Rev. Peter Keller)

St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am
Int. of Charles & Marie LaPorte & Family
- Angela Watson & Family
Int. of CWL Members - Kathryn Regier
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SATURDAY: April 30
(We Pray for Rev. Benjamin Huyge)

St. Boniface Church - No Morning Mass
St. Peter’s Church - 5 pm

SUNDAY: May 1
(We Pray for Rev. Zbigniew Rodzinka, C.S.M.A.)

St. Boniface Church—9:00 am
St. Peter’s Church—11:00 am

Permanent Diaconate Inquiry Sessions
At the following Inquiry Sessions, the Diocese of London Permanent Diaconate Formation & Study Program will invite inquiries from men considering a call to the permanent diaconate:

- Sunday, April 24 from 1:30 – 4 pm: St. John Vianney, Windsor
- Thursday, May 19 from 7:30 – 10 pm: St. Agnes, Chatham
- Sunday, May 29 from 1:30 – 4 pm: St. George, London

If you are interested in applying for admission to the Program, you MUST attend one of the Inquiry Sessions with your wife, if possible, and register as an Inquirer.
Keith Volland, who died this past week. May prayers and sympathy is extended to the family of he rest in peace.


27, 28 or 29 beginning at 7 pm at St. Boniface School. The wood is available to anyone who can take it away. Take some, or take it all. First come, first serve.

Another exciting COR weekend will be held April 29, 30 and May 1. COR 28 will take place at St. Patrick's School, Dublin, ON. It is a weekend where teens discover more about themselves respecting others, experience a reconnection with God, and just have a whole lot of fun through games and music. Application forms can be found at the back of the church. For more information please call Paul & Angela Gras 519-273-6397 or email pandagras@cyg.net.

St. Boniface School Drama Club is very excited to present this year's musical entitled 'Mulan'. The cast and crew have been preparing for months and invite you to join them on April 27, 28 or 29 beginning at 7 pm at St. Boniface School. Tickets: $6/adult, $3/high school & post-secondary school students, $2 for elementary school students. An individual 3-night pass $12. Come out and bring your family and friends for an evening that's sure to entertain!

When you are cleaning out your closet and sorting through your spring clothes over the next couple weeks, please consider our Syrian Refugee family, the Muhammads. There is a list of their clothing needs posted on the bulletin boards in St. Peter's and St. Boniface Churches. Please consider donating some of your used clothing to the family. There is a collection bin in the back of St. Boniface Church or it can be dropped off at Sandy Wondersgen's house. We are also looking for three bikes - one for Lilas (daughter), one for Rustem (father), and one for Felek (mother). Please contact Pauline Tait, Heather Klopp, Fr. Matt or Sandy Wondergen, if you have a bike to donate to the family. (Shh! It is a surprise. Please don't tell the family.)

Prayers & Sympathy

Congratulation Fr. Matt! Congratulations to Fr. Matt who will be celebrating his 20th Anniversary to the Priesthood on Wednesday, April 27. May the Lord continue to guide him as he serves the people of God.

20th

Knights of Columbus

Card Party - Tuesday, April 26 at 7 pm at St. Boniface Church.

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COR Youth Retreat for ages 16 - 21

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2016 Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Wedding Anniversary Mass honoring all married couples in southwestern Ontario will be held Sunday, May 1 at 2:30 pm, at Visitation Parish in Comber, Ontario. Bishop Fabbro will preside at the Mass. All married couples are invited to attend. Please call the parish office or use the sign up forms in the back of Church to register. Please have your registration forms back to the parish office by April 25.

THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Questions of the Week

“Love One Another”

Reading I Acts 14:21–27 (end of the first mission)

Reading II Revelation 21:1–5a (new heavens and new earth)

Gospel John 13:31–33a, 34–35 (a new commandment)

Key Passage Jesus said, “I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.” (John 13:34)

Adult: How in your family and community have you loved one another in the face of abuse or brokenness? How does prayer to a merciful and compassionate God help you deal with this?

Youth: How do you feel loved by Jesus? How do you share this love with others?

Ways to be Merciful

“Send a card, flowers, gift or note to someone on the six month anniversary of his or her loved one’s death. By then most people have stopped recognizing their grief.”
Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

Events at a glance....

- **K of C Card Party** - Tuesday, April 26 at 7 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **COR Weekend** - April 29 - May 1
- **Catholic Education Week** - May 1 - 7
- **Catholic Education Week Mass** - Monday, May 2 at St. Patrick’s in Dublin at 5 pm
- **First Friday School Mass & 12 Hour Adoration** - Friday, May 6 at St. Boniface Church
- **Youth Group** - Friday, May 6 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm - YMCA Swim - Goderich
- **Mother’s Day** - Sunday, May 8

SHOW YOUR LOVE FOR YOUR PARISH BY REMEMBERING TO INCLUDE YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.
Weekend Masses
Sat 5:00 pm St. Peter (mid April to mid October)
St. Boniface (mid October to mid April)
Sun 9:00 am St. Boniface
11:00 am St. Peter

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.

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

Reconciliation
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Parish Pastoral Council
Cynthia Forler
Lynette Graham
Phil LaPorte
Kathryn Regier
Janet Soudant
Marg Suplat

Celebrating Our Faith

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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 - Tuesday after the 12:00 pm mass - St. Peter’s.
Our Mother 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.