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** MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8 - 14 **

**MONDAY: February 8**
(We pray for Mrs. Rita Butler, Youth Ministry)

**TUESDAY: February 9**
(We Pray for Mrs. Leona Downie, Pastoral Minister)

- St. Peter’s Church - 12:00 pm
  “Devotions to St. Joseph & St. Andre”
  Sacrament of Reconciliation
  +Miroslaw Kolowski - Teresa Kozlowska
  Int. of Fr. Matt - St. Peter’s CWL
  +(14th Ann.) Donna Mitchell - Bernie Mitchell

**WEDNESDAY: February 10 - Ash Wednesday**
“Blessing & Distribution of Ashes”

- St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am - School Mass
  +Louise-Ann Zuidema - Jerome & Carmel Sweeney
  +Peter Salvador - Don & Elaine Beauchamp & Family
  +John Stock - Gerard & Rosemary Ducharme
- Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm
  Int. of Velma Cantin - St. Peter’s CWL
  Int. of Lottie Grenier - St. Boniface CWL
- St. Peter’s Church - 7:00 pm
  +Margaret Ducharme - Don & Charlene Oesch
  +Wayne Overholt - John Paul & Barb Rau

**THURSDAY: February 11 - “World Day of the Sick”**
(We Pray for Rev. Arthur Hathaway, C.S.B.)

- Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm-Sacrament of the Sick
  Int. of Theresa Regier - St. Boniface CWL
  +Remy Denomme - Darl & Tillie Rau
- St. Boniface Church - 7:00 pm - Sacrament of the Sick
  +Bob Regier - Pat & Evelyn Regier
  +Sister Eileen Marie - Steve & Pat Meidinger
  +Olivia Bedard - Steve & Patti Geoffrey

**FRIDAY: February 12**
(We Pray for Mrs. Christine Toffolon, Pastoral Minister)

- St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am
  “Followed by Stations of the Cross”
  Int. of Ray Hartman - His Children & Grandchildren
  A Special Intention - Laura Overholt
  +Don Ducharme - Darl & Tillie Rau

**SATURDAY: February 13**
(We Pray for Rev. John Pluta)

- St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
  Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:00 - 8:45 am
  +Marinus Rasenberg - Chris & Barb Vloet
  +Kevin Dietrich - Clarence & Joan Regier
  +Roy & Marie Rau - Joseph Siemon
- St. Boniface Church - 5:00 pm

**SUNDAY: February 14**
(We Pray for Mrs. Mary-Catherine Bishop, Pastoral Minister)

- St. Boniface Church—9:00 am
- St. Peter’s Church—11:00 am
- St. Boniface Church - 7 pm - Sung Evening Prayer

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**Stations of the Cross during Lent**

**Tuesday afternoons** following the Mass at noon at St. Peter’s

**Friday mornings** following the 9:15 am Mass at St. Boniface

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Prayer List

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family suffering from illness, Joyce Waller, Roxanne Rau, Louise Menrner, Reese Lenssen, Steven Wild-Denys, Darl Rau, Tanya Ashenden, Joyce Cole, Barb Regier, Debra Overholt, Veronica Bedard, Audrey Smith, Barb Consitt, Steve Brock and Nicole Brideau.

St. Boniface K of C

The St. Boniface K of C will be holding their annual co-ed hockey tournament on Friday, February 12 - Saturday, February 13. We are still looking for more hockey teams. Please contact Dwayne LaPorte at 519-236-7277 if you would like to put a team in the tournament. There will also be a Euchre tournament taking place on Saturday, February 13 beginning at 10:00 am in the Bluewater Community Centre. The fee is $8/person which includes a light lunch. Everyone is welcome.

St. Boniface CWL

Brother Bob Bake Sale & Raffle - will be held February 13 & 14 at St. Boniface Church following the Masses. Any baking donations would be greatly appreciated. All proceeds will be sent to the Canadian Jesuits for the continuation of Brother Bob’s Works.

C.M.O.B. Crossing the Goal Program

The next C.M.O.B. meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 9 at 7:00 pm in St. Peter’s Church Sacristy.

Get your 2016 Share Lent Calendar!

On Ash Wednesday Development and Peace will launch its annual Share Lent campaign with its theme for this year, Create a Climate of Change. Money raised through Share Lent provides vital support to the poor in more than 30 countries throughout Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. You can make Share Lent a part of your own Lenten journey by putting up a Solidarity Calendar in your own home found in this weekend’s bulletin. Learn more about the campaign at devp.org/sharelent. The Share Lent collection will take place on March 13th, Solidarity Sunday.

Mass of Chrism Retreat Day

Monday, March 21 the Diocese of London Youth Ministry Outreach Team invites all Secondary and Post Secondary students to join us at the Mass of Chrism Retreat Day. The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia will be leading students in a time of reflection and prayer, exploring the readings of Holy Week and immersing them in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The Retreat will run from 1 - 4 pm, with dinner at 5 pm at Mary Immaculate, London. The day will conclude by joining Bishop Fabbro and the Diocesan family at St. Peter’s Cathedral at 7 pm for the Celebration of the Mass of Chrism.

A Catholic Response to Physician Assisted Death—What is wrong with Euthanasia?

Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition will be making a presentation on the Catholic response to physician-assisted death in light of the ruling from the Supreme Court of Canada and the pending legislation expected to be tabled in 2016.

Where: St. Joseph’s Church Hall, 96 Huron St., Stratford

When: February 17, 2016, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

For further information please contact ednabake59@hotmail.com : 519-276-1045 or lorainehertel@gmail.com: 519-271-3076

2016 Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Be inspired, encouraged and healed: Come Celebrate the 24th Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally on Saturday, March 5 from 9 am - 5:30 pm at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Including Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields, Peter Herbeck and guest speaker Deacon Larry Oney. High Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins. There is also a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music dynamic talks and inspirational skits. Tickets ($20 for adults, $15 for youth) can be purchased online at http://www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org

Pilgrimage of Italy

Join Fr. Graham Keep on a Jubilee Year of Mercy and Rome’s Holy Doors, Pilgrimage of Italy, September 23 to October 2, 2016. Presentation and information session on February 21 following the 11 am Mass downstairs at Holy Angels Church, 502 Talbot St., St. Thomas.

Shrove Tuesday, Pancake & Sausage Supper

Everyone is invited to a Pancake & Sausage supper on Shrove Tuesday - February 9 from 5 pm - 7 pm to be held at the Lutheran Church Hall in Zurich. Free will offering.

The Jubilee Year of Mercy Questions of the Week

“Stretching our Limits”

Reading I Isaiah 6:1–2a, 3–8 (call of Isaiah)

Reading II 1 Corinthians 15:1–11 (Christ’s resurrection)


Key Passage “Simon Peter fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man.” Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” (Luke 5:8:10b)

Adult: When have you felt God’s merciful forgiveness? Did it strengthen you?

Youth: When are you afraid or feel inadequate to help others? How has faith in God strengthened you?
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Event at a glance....
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- Ash Wednesday - February 10 - St. Boniface @ 9:15 am; BWRH @ 3:30 pm; St. Peter’s @ 7:00 pm
- World Day of the Sick - Thursday, February 11
- K of C Hockey/Euchre Tournament - February 12 & 13 at the Bluewater Community Centre
- 1st Communion Retreat - Saturday, February 13 from 9 am - 1 pm at St. Boniface Church
- Rite of Enrollment for all 1st Communion Children - February 13/14 weekend at all Masses
- St. Boniface CWL Bake Sale & Raffle - February 13/14 weekend
- Sung Evening Prayer - Sunday, February 14 at 7 pm at St. Boniface Church

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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
God sent His Son so that we might be saved! Experience God’s healing through the sacrament of reconciliation after the 12:00 pm Mass and Devotions on Tuesdays at St. Peter’s or before Mass on Saturday mornings from 8:00 - 8:45 am at St. Boniface 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 - 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.