Dear Parishioners: “See you in September,” as the song goes! Welcome back as we mark the return of school and the new year of parish activities. I pray that everyone’s summer was a time of true recreation. What an excellent time we had at the Beaufort Ecnomical Service! (We didn’t sing “Dropkick me Jesus,” but still, a good time was had by all, and a substantial amount for Blessings was raised — well done!) As I attempt to clean my desk, I’ve discovered the June edition of Viewpoint, the newsletter from the West Huron Care Centre/Bluewater Rest Home, in which they pay tribute to some long-term volunteers: Carmel Sweeney, Marlene Gingerich, Celina Farrell and Joan Regier. Well done, ladies! May the care you’ve extended to so many also transform BWHR & our wider community! We have many major events to commemorate this up-coming year: the 100th anniversary of the visit of St. Brother André to St. Joseph; the 50th anniversary of Luther & the Reformation; the 130th anniversary of St. Boniface receiving its major Basilica designation in Germany from Pope St. Gregory II. We still have much to accomplish during the Jubilee of Mercy (I need to find a Saturday we can all go to our Cathedral in London & pass thru the Holy Door). Do we have any (adult) candidates for Baptism, Full Communion with the Church or Catholics who haven’t received all the Sacraments of Initiation (i.e., Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist)? If there is someone you know in either of the above situations, please get them in touch with me! Another happy development this year is that we have two young men from our parishes (Mark & Michael Hartman) who have begun a year of priestly discernment: Mark with the Diocese of London & Thaddeus for the Turn The Tide for REBOOT Live on September 5, 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21. We have special guests: Christ Stefanick and international singer/songwriter Marina McAlpin. Please join us at Blue Water Rest Home on September 23 at the Bluewater Complex. Welcome to our parish family Michael & Charlotte Sitko, children of Anthony & Danielle who were baptized last weekend at St. Peter’s Church.

The Newly Baptized
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Office Hours
The office will be closed on Tuesday, September 6th.

Confirmation & Eucharist
St. Boniface Children’s Liturgy is looking for volunteers who would like to help with leading Sunday School this year. High school students can receive community service hours. If interested please contact Katie Massie at katie_mathonia16@hotmail.com.

Special Mass
On Thursday, September 15, the memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows, each parish cluster in the Diocese will hold a Mass for prayer for the healing and reconciliation of victims of sexual abuse, their families and our communities, and for reparation for the sins of abusers. As Bishop Father Thomas Cardinell announced in his June letter, “We must always be vigilant, so that the abuse of minors will never happen again...Policies can do only so much; prayer and atonement can do so much more.” Please join us at 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 15 at St. Boniface Church for this special Mass.

Confirmation Parent’s Meeting
There will be an important meeting on Wednesday, September 21st at St. Bonifac e Church following the 7 pm Mass. This meeting is for all parents with students in Grades 7 & 8 who will be preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. This meeting is for parents/guardians only. Parent s of children studying in schools other than St. Boniface who would like to prepare their children for this Sacrament are asked to please contact the Church office as soon as possible.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)
Are you — or do you know someone who is — an adult thinking about getting baptized; a baptized non-Catholic looking to join the Church; an adult Catholic who has not been fully initiated (e.g., didn’t receive Confirmation); a child of catechetical age (i.e., over 7 years), looking to be initiated into the Roman Catholic Church? Then R.C.I.A. is for you! In parish and wider Church journey, Christ encounter with all people who seek greater insight into their own lives of faith, and entrance or further development in the sacramental life. Please contact the office & arrange an interview with Fr. Matt to have your questions answered about taking the next step in faith.

Prayer List
Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish who are suffering from illnesses, Joyce Waller, Roxanne Rau, Louise Merner, Reese Lenssen, Steven Wild-Densy, Joyce Cole, Barb Re gier, Steve Brock, Fr. Martin Nieland, Therese Da vies, Patrick Mihm, Kyle Craner, Shirley Bedard and Barbara Rau.

PRAYING FOR:
+Alphonse Jeffrey
In Thanksgiving for Gerard & Mary Ducharme
Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:00 am
(We Pray for Rev. John Jasica)
+Tenee Remyn
Int. of Ray & Janice Hartman
(We Pray for Rev. Denis Grecco)
+John LaPorte
Sacrament of Reconciliation
(We Pray for Rev. Hugo Santa Cruz, F.M.M.)
+Clare & Mary Faye Regier
St. Peter’s Church
-5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

MISSION MASTERS FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SEPTEMBER 5 - 12
Monday, September 5 - 7:00 pm
(For the soul of Anthony Travers)
Tuesday, September 6 - 7:00 pm
(We Pray for Rev. James Conlon)
St. Peter’s Church - 12:00 pm
“Devotions to St. Joseph & St. Andre”
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Int. of Barbara Rau - Phil & Patty LaPorte
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WEDNESDAY: September 7
(We Pray for Mr. Michael McPherson, Youth Ministry)
Queenwsay Nursing Home - 3:30 pm
• Marie Mathonia - Marie Cyr
St. Boniface Church - 7:00 pm
“Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help”
Int. of Fr. J-Kanizsal Bunjaku
• Their Grandchildren
• Teene Remyn - John & Mary Jacobs
• Cody Ducharme - Martha Risi & Family
THURSDAY: September 8
(We Pray for Rev. Hugo Santa Cruz, F.M.M.)
Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm
• Randy McKinnon - Virginia Denomme
FRIDAY: September 9
(We Pray for Rev. Vincent Van Zutphen)
St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am - School Mass
• Joe Regier - Alan & Marilyn Henn
• John LaPorte - Angela Watson
• John Cantin - Clare & Mary Faye Regier
SATURDAY: September 10
(We Pray for Rev. Denis Goeques)
St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:00 - 8:45 am
In Thanksgiving for Gerard & Mary Ducharme
• Cecilia Farwell - Virginia Denomme
• Dave Durand - Mary Lou Denomme
• Alphonse Jeffrey - Steve & Pat Meidinger
St. Peter’s Church - 5:00 pm
SUNDAY: September 11
(We Pray for Rev. John Janica)
St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
St. Peter’s Church - 11:00 am

THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY
Questions of the Week
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
The courage to forgive
Reading I Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 (the golden calf)
Reading II 1 Timothy 1:12-17 (Paul’s gratitude)
Gospel Luke 15:1-32 (the prodigal son)
Key Passage The servant replied, “Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattest calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.” “The young man returned to his father, but his father came out and began to plead with him.” (Luke 15:27-28)
Adult: When have you waited for someone to come home?
Youth: Are you ever angry over the generously extended invitation you thought would be accepted? What motivated you to feel this way? How can you change?
Ways to be Merciful
“Lead with a kind comment with friends as well as strangers.”
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.

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

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Celebrating Our Faith
Contact the office as you await the birth of your child or while you are awaiting adoption.
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Marriage
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.
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