19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 13, 2017

Sometimes, in the midst of life’s storms, we might feel that Jesus has abandoned us. But Jesus walks with us every step along the way. During stormy times, it’s important to turn to Jesus because he will give us the grace, guidance and strength we need to endure and make our way out of the storm.

Dear Parishioners: Welcome Fr. Peter! Your presence allows me to attend today’s (Saturday’s) Tiger Cat -Blue Bomber game with my brother and his step-children. (I knew we agreed that I should be here every Sunday during the summer - that I should only have a pretend summer while everyone else gets to take a break, but now, this is the first big event I’ll be able to attend with his stepchildren, since he remarried 4 years ago!) The Assumption of Mary, our diocesan Pilgrimage to the Martyrs’ Shrine in Midland, and Bishop Fabbro’s anniversary all take place this week: pray for our diocese, that God’s holy People will draw together to form the open inviting and active community to which our baptism calls us. How good to baptize again at Mass! While there’s plenty of activities we can take a legitimate rest from, casting out demons, professing our faith and sharing the gift of eternal life isn’t one of them! Lord call us to come to you across the waters! Have a blessed week. Fr. Matt

Prayer List

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family suffering from illness, Joyce Waller, Roxanne Rau, Louise Merner, Reese Thomson, Joyce Cole, Steve Brock, Fr. Martin Nyland, Shirley Bedard, Madeline Denomme, Ken Mittelholtz, Ted Soudant, Marie Cyr and Michael Frijters.

Prayers & Sympathy
Please pray for the repose of the souls of Father Paul Mooney, Michael Mitchell, brother of Bernie Mitchell and Marie Gelin- as, sister of Helen Regier and remember their family members in your prayers. May they rest in peace. (Thank-you for your prayers...Bernie Mitchell)

St. Peter’s Building Committee
Air Conditioning Fund
Thank you to the many parishioners and visitors that donated to the air conditioning fund at St. Peter’s Church. Extra envelopes and a donation box for the special collection is available at the front of the church. Our goal is to raise $9,500, and we thank everyone for their support in this project.

CCCB Initiative for Life and Family
Prayer for Families & Small Groups
God of the silence, speak to us in the quiet. Teach us to welcome the noiseless spaces which we are tempted to fill. Help us to welcome the discomfort of having nothing to do, of setting down our distractions, and of sitting before you as we are. Meet us in the silence, O God, we pray. Amen.
**St. Boniface CWL**

Beanfest Baking Booth - St. Boniface CWL are looking for donations of baking (cookies, muffins, loaves, pies, cakes, etc.). Pie boxes are available at the back of the church. Baking can be dropped off the morning of Beanfest at the St. Boniface CWL Booth.

**St. Peter’s CWL**

St. Peter’s CWL are having their Annual Penny Sale August 13th in the hall following the 11 am Mass. All proceeds from the sale go to charities in the area and our church community projects. Draws will begin at 2:00 pm on Sunday August 13.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Martyrs’ Shrine**

Bishop Fabbro and Bishop Dabrowski invite parishes and parishioners to join them on pilgrimage to The Martyrs’ Shrine on Tuesday, August 22. A number of priest will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation which will be celebrated beginning at 1 pm. Bishop Fabbro will offer the Eucharist at 2 pm. Venerations of the relics and The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will follow at 3 pm. Please note: parishes are encouraged to organize a bus or car pool for the pilgrimage.

**In the footsteps of the Canadian Martyrs’: Youth Pilgrimage**

Young adults ages 18-35 are especially invited to participate in a two-day pilgrimage in the footsteps of the Canadian Martyrs' leading up to our Diocesan Mass at the Martyrs Shrine, Midland, Ontario, on August 22 with Bishop Fabbro and Dabrowski. Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian and those over 35 are welcome as well. The pilgrimage will begin at the Martyrs Shrine with an evening vigil, on Sunday, August 20. Monday morning we will visit Ste-Marie-among-the-Hurons and then head to the St. Louis mission and walk approx. 6kms to St. Ignace, the site of the martyrdom of St. Jean de Brébeuf and St. Gabriel de Lalemant, where we will camp for the evening. Tuesday morning we begin the 14 km walk to the Martyrs' Shrine in time for the Diocesan Mass. Interested pilgrims are invited to contact Fr. Patrick Bénéteau at vocations@dol.ca for more information and to register. An option to join the pilgrimage for the final day (Tuesday August 22) will also be available for those who cannot make the entire route. Meals are provided with the exception of one breakfast. Cost is $75.

**Wedding Anniversary Mass**

The Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, C.S.B., invites all married couples to attend this year’s Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, September 10 at 3 pm at St. Peter’s Cathedral Basilica in London. This special annual mass is a celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage. All couples who register will receive a keepsake Certificate. To register please use a sign-up form available at the back of the church. Please return your registration forms to the parish office no later than August 24, 2017.

**Ultreya**

The Goderich September ultreya will be Friday, September 8 at the Knights of Columbus Centre at 390 Parson’s Court. It’s a potluck. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Supper at 6:00 pm. Ultreya to follow. Bring friends, food and smiles. Call Eileen at 519-524-9400 or Marie at 519-395-5261.

**Finances as of July 31, 2017**

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Events at a glance....

- St. Peter’s CWL Annual Penny Sale - August 12/13 weekend
- Zurich Bean Festival - August 26/27 weekend
- Bean Festival Ecumenical Service - Sunday, August 27 at 1 pm at the Main Stage
- First Friday & 12 Hour Adoration - Friday, September 1 at St. Boniface Church
- Friends of St. Andre September Celebration - Sunday, September 3 - Appreciation Sunday - Celebrating visitors, Knights of Columbus, Catholic Women's League and all our volunteers

Are you interested in placing an ad on the back of our church bulletin. Please contact the church office at 519-236-4191.

Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

SHOW YOUR LOVE FOR YOUR PARISH BY REMEMBERING TO INCLUDE YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.

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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 the 9:00 am mass.

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

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

Parish Office & School Contact Information
Parish Office:
22 Mary St., Box 81
Zurich, ON NoM 2T0
519-236-4391
bluewater@dol.ca

St. Boniface School:
24 Mary St., Box 128
Zurich, ON NoM 2T0
519-236-4335
stbonifacecs@hpcdsb.ca

St. Anne’s Catholic Secondary School:
353 Ontario St., Box 490
Clinton, ON NoM 1LO
519-482-5454

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 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.