The Transfiguration of the Lord - August 6, 2017

This is my beloved son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. "The word of the Lord" is something we hear in church, perhaps without giving it much thought. Peter and Daniel both remind us that the words of Jesus we hear in Scripture are none other than the words of the beloved Son of the Ancient One, who is the Most High over all the earth. We would do well to pay close attention to these words.

Dear Parishioners: welcome Bishops Corriveau & Sherlock, Frs. Louis Mousseau & Comiskey, and all Family members and friends who are here for St. Peter’s Family Reunion. How wonderful to see families, histories, and relationships renewed during our Jubilee celebrations. I wonder if St. Brother André was aware in this moments of his life in ministry- how his faith gathers people together from across our nation and others. Thanks to your continued generosity I enjoyed my Scripture institute in the States: I look forward to unfolding all the blessings and incites I received from the excellent presenters there. I certainly look forward to meeting with our local Christian Ministerial this coming week: please pray for the success of our Bean Fest Ecumenical Service, our pornography addiction Documentary showing and the Reformation Anniversary group discussion series. There is plenty of good things to come! In last week’s homily, I asked if anyone was less free (following Matthew Kelly’s insight into discipline) then the current President of the US. A Trump supporter in our parishes asked that I refrain from commenting on the President’s character I think I communicated to the person that I was reflecting on what he had done, not about his character per se. We had a good little conversation which ended well I want everyone to know I do not court conflict for conflict’s sake: I believe we must be drawing insight and making direct challenges to our political and economic reality from God’s Word and our Church’s teaching. I would far rather risk ruffling some feathers (and possible loss of parish support) then say nothing of importance to our day and age: then our eventual ruin would be certain. Our Lord is transfigured, book ended before and after by proclamations of his Passion, death, and resurrection: I pray that the glory of God will be as brilliant in our daily life and death. God bless!  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 Thompson, Joyce Cole, Steve Brock, Fr. Martin Nyland, Shirley Bedard, Madeline Denomme, Ken Mittelholz, Ted Soudant, Marie Cyr and Michael Frijters.

Office Closed

The office will be closed Tuesday, August 8.

CCCB Initiative for Life and Family

Prayer for Families & Small Groups

Jesus, the Beloved, walk down the mountain with us and open our eyes to see you. Help us to resist the urge to check out of our lives, to distract ourselves, to be addicted to being busy. Wake us up to the glory that is all around us all the time. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 7 - 13

MONDAY: August 7
(We pray for Rev. Michael Bechard)

TUESDAY: August 8
(We Pray for Deacon Morgan Treacy)
S. Peter’s Church - 12:00 pm
“Devotions to St. Joseph & St. Andre”
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Int. of Michael & Elsje Frijters - Kathryn Regier
+Larry Langan - Mark & Dianne Tucker

WEDNESDAY: August 9
(We Pray for Ms. Katherine March,
Pastoral Minister/Youth Ministry)
Queensway Nursing Home - 3:30 pm
+Dorilda Gay - Marie Cyr & Family

St. Boniface Church - 7:00 pm
“Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help”
Mass of Thanksgiving for Continued Healing of Ted Soudant
- Music Ministry
For Continued Recovery of Shirley Bedard - Kathryn Regier
+Harold Dietrich - Steve & Pat Meidinger

THURSDAY: August 10
(We pray for Rev. Thomas Blondin)

Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm
Int. of Virginia Denomme - Gerard & Rosemary Ducharme

FRIDAY: August 11
(We Pray for Rev. Lawrence Brunet)

St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am
Int. of Bridget & Leo Overholt - Vonnie Overholt
A Special Intention - Francis & Doreen Hartman & Family
+Barb Meloche - Tillie Rau

SATURDAY: August 12
(We Pray for Mrs. Natasha Contestable, Pastoral Minister)

St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:00 - 8:45 am
+Rose Regier - Lucille Masse
+Joe Regier - Clarence & Joan Regier
+Margaret Ducharme - Nell McCann

St. Peter’s Church - 5:00 pm

SUNDAY: August 13
(We Pray for Rev. Catherinanne George, Campus Minister)

St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
St. Peter’s Church - 11:00 am
St. Peter's Building Committee  
**Air Conditioning Fund**

Thank you to the many parishioners and visitors that donated to the fund in the special collection this past weekend. For those who weren’t able to be at mass, there is a donation box at the front of the church. Extra envelopes are available for those who didn’t get one at the mass a few weeks ago. Our goal is to raise $8,500, and we thank everyone for their support in this project.

**St. Peter’s CWL**

St. Peter’s CWL are having their Annual Penny Sale August 13th in the hall. Parishioners are asked to donate an item for this. Donations can be dropped off Friday Aug. 11 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, Saturday Aug. 12 from 10:00 – 2:00 pm and from 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm, or Sunday before mass. All proceeds from sale go to charities in the area and our church community projects. Draws will begin at 2:00 pm on Sunday Aug. 13.

**The Shack**

The book and the movie. Bring your copy of the book and join us in discussion. **We will meet in the Narthex of St. Boniface Church on Tuesdays beginning August 8th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.** Please call Lynette Graham at 519-238-2946 with any questions.

**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.**

**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 Lalemont, 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@diol.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.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Martyrs’ Shrine**

Bishop Fabbro and Bishop Dabrowski invite parishioners 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.

**Shrine Summer Days**

The Shrine Days at Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine and St. Patrick’s Church in Merlin, ON are coming up on **August 13-22; and September 12-15, all from 11 am - 3 pm.** 2017 is the 100th Anniversary year of Our Lady of Fatima, an especially important year for the shrine.

**Family Faith in Action**

Family Faith in Action is designed to prepare your family for the Sunday gospel and to provide ways to put your faith into action. If you enroll, each Wednesday, you will receive the Gospel reading, a reflection, an audio sample, and a fun family activity! Please visit [http://info.franciscanmedia.org/family-faith-in-action](http://info.franciscanmedia.org/family-faith-in-action) for more information. We hope you find this resource to be a valuable part of raising your family in faith.

**4 Stages of Marriage**

The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don’t give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment please contact Retrouvaille for confidential information about, or to register for the August program beginning with a weekend on **August 25th-27th, 2017 at the Michaels House Retreat Centre, London, ON.** Please call 519-243-6678 or email: retrouvaille@londonstomamas@gmail.com or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org)

**Please Remember to Save Your......**

**Pop Cans**—Please save your aluminum pop cans to help support St. Boniface Church with their Restoration Fund. Pop cans can be dropped off in a plastic bag to John Jacobs (Hensall) or Doug Debus (Zurich). **Please do not drop off cans at Mike Miller’s (Lakewood Garden Centre) as it is no longer a drop off location.**

**Milk Bags and Pop Can Tabs**—Please help St. Peter’s CWL by saving your Milk Bags and Pop Can Tabs. At St. Peter’s there is a basket in the room under the stairs at the back of the church to put the milk bags in and at St. Boniface there is a box in the narthex for the milk bags. Anyone wanting to join in making the mats from Milk Bags please come to St. John by the Lake in Grand Bend on Wednesday mornings from 10 am – 12 pm.

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Events at a glance...
- St. Andre Celebration - Reunion Sunday - Sunday, August 6
- St. Peter’s CWL Annual Penny Sale - August 12/13 weekend
- Zurich Bean Festival - August 26/27 weekend
- First Friday & 12 Hour Adoration - Friday, September 1 at St. Boniface Church

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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 (RSV, 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

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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 St. 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.