4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 29, 2017

Dear Parishioners: well, it must be winter because I’ve played Pepper two nights in the same week! Let’s hope our climate soon catches up. One of my favourite Scripture commentators has written how the Sunday Gospel Readings for these first weeks of the Liturgical Year are the best introduction to the great journey of Lent: I want to share with you my vision for how our parish communities will be renewed in our Christian journey.

During my retreat in November, I was blessed to read Henri Nouwen’s The Way of the Heart – The Spirituality of the Desert Fathers and Mothers. This short (94 pages!) little wonder on solitude, silence & prayer re-invigorated me with the notion that “[p]rayer is not recisely because our secular milieu offers so few spiritual disciplines, we have to develop our own.” (p.30) As a result, I will be giving a parish mission on Prayer & Praying the first week of Lent: each evening I will offer a presentation on a particular style of prayer, and together we’ll experience (daytime or evening) prayer in one of four popular ways that Catholics are praying today (i.e., the Liturgy of the Hours/Divine Office, Centering Prayer, Taizé and Lectio Divina).

I will need help with this – every Mission preacher I have encountered agrees that it is always worthwhile to have someone share about their own personal experience in a witness talk. (While I have dabbled in all the above styles of prayer, the Divine Office is my main mode of praying, so I would ask anyone who has been praying using these other forms to please share a bit of your experience with our parish family. If need be, I can bring in some people I know, other forms to please share a bit of your experience with our parish family. If need be, I can bring in some people I know, other forms to please share a bit of your experience with our parish family. If need be, I can bring in some people I know, other forms to please share a bit of your experience with our parish family. If need be, I can bring in some people I know, other forms to please share a bit of your experience with our parish family. If need be, I can bring in some people I know, other forms to please share a bit of your experience with our parish family.

(Any students looking for Community Service hours?) the talk, organizing small groups (training provided for all group leaders) and cataloging all our resources in the Parish Office. We have wonderful resources available – between the Knights of Columbus catechetical booklets (for people who wish to go deeper) and our Catholic Update pamphlets, we will have an easy read from the latest sources on topics that are occupying our attention every day. Do you have a particular topic you’d like discussed? Drop a note in the collection basket or contact the Office with your suggestions (I’ll survey all the parish groups to see what they’re interested in). One particular catechetical resource is Lighthouse Catholic Media cds: Steven Eckert (a pastoral-year seminarian) will be visiting our parishes the weekend of Feb. 4/5th to speak about LCM. The Feast of St. Blaise (Feb. 3rd) will see us blessing throtts following Mass with the students of St. Boniface School at 9:15am: come join in the (healthy) fun! Have a blessed week. Fr. Matt

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 5

MONDAY: January 30
(We pray for Rev. Franklin Mizzi, C.S.B.)

TUESDAY: January 31 - No Mass
(We Pray for Rev. Henry Cassano)

WEDNESDAY: February 1
(We Pray for Rev. Christopher Bourdeau)

Queensway Nursing Home - 3:30 pm
Int. of Bill Brand - St. Boniface CWL

St. Boniface Church - 7:00 pm
“Deviotons to Our Mother of Perpetual Help”
Int. of Harold & Doreen Dietrich - Kathryn Regier
+Harold & Beulah Siemon - Joseph Siemon
+Martin Martens - Tillie Rau

THURSDAY: February 2
(We Pray for Rev. Tom Ashton)

Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm
+Ray Denomme - Virginia Denomme
Int. of Dan Coughlin - St. Boniface CWL

FRIDAY: February 3 - First Friday School Mass
(We Pray for Mrs. Maija Wilson, Campus Minister)

St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am
“12 Hour Adoration from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm”
+(Ann) Bill Floyd & +(Ann) Jean Bedard Parents of Carmel Sweeney - Jerome & Carmel Sweeney
+Barb Regier - Laurie & John Devlin
+Josephine Denomme - Warren & Helen Regier

SATURDAY: February 4
(We Pray for Rev. Gilbert Simard)

St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
“Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:00 - 8:45 am”
+Marinus Rasenberg - Chris & Barb Vloet
+John Cantin - Steve & Pat Meidinger
+Wayne Overholt - Pat & Evelyn Regier

St. Boniface Church - 5:00 pm

SUNDAY: February 5
(We Pray for Mrs. Rachelle Leslie, Pastoral Minister)

St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
St. Peter’s Church - 11:00 am
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, Patrick Mihm, Shirley Bedard, Barbara Rau, Ed Smith, Madeline Denomme and Ken Mittleholtz.

50th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations Ken & Martha Mungar on the Occasion of their “50th” Wedding Anniversary. We extend our warm wishes and prayerful support.

Advertising on our Church Bulletin

If anyone is interested or knows someone interested in placing an ad for the year on the back of our church bulletin please contact the church office as soon as possible. First come, first serve.

Readers, Commentators & Eucharistic Ministers Needed at St. Boniface Church

St. Boniface Church is in need of new Readers, Commentators & Eucharistic Ministers. If you would like to volunteer for one or more of these ministries please contact the church office at 519-236-4191 or email bluewater@dol.ca.

St. Boniface CWL

Brother Bob Bake Sale - St. Boniface CWL is looking for donation prizes for the Brother Bob Bake Sale to be held on February 11/12. If anyone has anything they would like to donate please contact Debbie Pennings at 519-236-7750. Baking donations would be greatly appreciated the weekend of the bake sale. All proceeds will be sent to the Canadian Jesuits for the continuation of Brother Bob’s Works.

Upcoming Vocations Event - Finding God In All Things: Tools for Discernment

Fr. W. Mbugua, SJ, of the Jesuits of Canada will be offering a day for those in any kind of vocational discernment on Saturday, February 4 from 10 am to 2 pm, at the Vitali Lounge at King’s University College. Lunch will be provided and there is no fee to attend. To RSVP contact campusministry@kings.uwo.ca or by phone at 519-963-1477. This event is sponsored by Vocations London and King’s University College.

St. Joseph’s and Immaculate Conception Bereavement Support Group

We will be offering a 7 week bereavement group starting on February 8th for the many people who struggle with the death of a loved one. We will meet in the Cenacle (the old rectory) on Wednesday mornings starting at 10:30 am. If interested in the meeting please contact Sharon Vollett at 519-271-8858. For planning purposes please contact Sharon no later than February 1st.

London Area Catholic Cursillo Weekends


Cost is $200 per person (includes meals and accommodations). No one is every turned away due to lack of funds. For more information visit https://sites.google.com/site/cursillolondon2/home or contact Pre-Cursillo Coordinators: Veronica & Gerald Kolkman at 519-347-2689 or email: gvkolkman@xplornet.ca.

12 Hour Adoration

There will be 12 Hour Adoration on Friday, February 3 from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm at St. Boniface Church. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex of the Church.

“TOGETHER, OPENING PATHS OF HOPE” – TAIZE PRAYER WITH BROTHER EMILE OF TAIZE:

Rooted in the Word of God and in contemplative worship, Brother Emile from the Ecumenical Christian Community of Taizé will be leading an evening on the theme of fostering healing and reconciliation in the Christian Churches on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at Immaculate Conception Parish in Stratford. The event is free, but to aid with our planning, you are kindly asked to RSVP by email to lisa.caiero@kings.uwo.ca or by phone at 519-963-1477. This event is sponsored by the Ecumenical and Interfaith Commission of the Diocese of London.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

March 16 - 27 with Joan Bolt and spiritual director Fr. Murray Semple. For more information contact Delores Tighe at 519-238-8347.

### Finances as of December 31, 2016

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*Thank you to all of our parishioners for supporting our parishes this past year. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.*
Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

Events at a glance....

- First Friday School Mass & 12 Hour Adoration - February 3 at St. Boniface Church
- World Day of the Sick - Saturday, February 11 with Mass & Anointing of the Sick at St. Boniface at 9 am
- St. Boniface CWL Brother Bob Bake Sale - February 11/12 weekend in the Narthex at St. Boniface Church
- Vocation Sunday - February 19 at St. Peter’s 11 am Mass & Guest Speaker - Fr. Patrick Beneteau, Director of Vocations
- CMOB - Tuesday, February 21 at 7:00 pm in St. Peter’s Sacristy
- K of C Card Party - Tuesday, February 28 at 7:00 pm at St. Boniface Church

SHOW YOUR LOVE FOR YOUR PARISH BY REMEMBERING TO INCLUDE YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.
Parish Office & School Contact Information
Parish Office:
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Zurich, ON N0M 2T0
519-236-4391
bluewater@dol.ca

St. Boniface School:
24 Mary St., Box 128
Zurich, ON N0M 2T0
519-236-4335
stbonifacecs@hpcdsb.ca

St. Anne’s Catholic Secondary School:
353 Ontario St., Box 490
Clinton, ON N0M 1L0
519-482-5454

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

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)

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.