31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 29, 2017

Preach the Gospel and practice it. A good leader is not self-seeking, but always has the best interest of his followers at heart. A poor leader thinks only of himself and what he has to gain from his position of authority. Leaders have the power to guide their followers to destruction or prosperity. Jesus is the model servant-leader, humbling himself and serving all.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 6 - 12**

**MONDAY:** November 6
(We pray for Most Rev. Ronald Fabbro, C.S.B.)

**TUESDAY:** November 7
(We Pray for Rev. Nicholas Mauro Iko, O.F.M.)

- **St. Peter’s Church** - 12:00 pm
  “Devotions to St. Joseph & St. Andre”
- Mary Faith McMullen - Pat Langford
- Mike Webb - Anthony & Monique Hartman & Family

**WEDNESDAY:** November 8
(We Pray for Rev. Mateusz Sobierajski, C.S.M.A.)

- **St. Boniface Church** - 7:00 pm
  “Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help”
  For the Deceased Members of the Kenny & Reidy Families
  - Clarence & Joan Regier
  Mass of Thanksgiving for Martin Van Raay
  - The Music Ministry
  +Cecile Meidinger - Her Family

**THURSDAY:** November 9
(We pray for Rev. Charles Akinloye)

- **Bluewater Resthome** - 3:30 pm
  +Jean Paul Cantin - Martha Overholt & Family

**FRIDAY:** November 10
(We Pray for Rev. Theodore Pinto)

- **St. Boniface Church** - 9:15 am
  Int. of Ray & Janice Hartman
  - Francis & Doreen Hartman & Family
  Int. of Cecelia Farwell
  - Anthony & Monique Hartman & Family
  +Fr. Paul Mooney - Ray & Janice Hartman

**SATURDAY:** November 11
(We Pray for Rev. Mark Sargent)

- **St. Boniface Church** - 9:00 am
  Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:00 - 8:45 am
  +Ron Butters - Mary Lou Denomme
  +Bernie Denomme - Sister Mary Regier
  +Harold Dietrich - George & Marg Suplat

- **St. Boniface Church** - 5:00 pm

**SUNDAY:** November 12
(We Pray for Mrs. Louise Trapp, Parish Nurse)

- **St. Boniface Church** - 9:00 am
- **St. Peter’s Church** - 11:00 am

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**Dear Parishioners:** here we are in November - the month of All Saints and All Souls. I pray this little season of grace is a blessing for all our families. What a night we had for the All Souls Mass. A great turn out from all our families who had a loved one die this year, and a great reception afterward with a tribute to Fr. Paul Mooney (RIP) by Heather and Paul Klopp. Bible Study is cooking along on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday nights - it’s not too late if you’d like to join! I would like to invite anyone who are able to join our Wednesday noon hour ecumenical discussion group on Grace & Justification, the issue which set Martin Luther in motion 500 years ago: this coming week’s focus will be sharing on Jesus’ enigmatic question “Are you envious because I am generous?” (Mt 20:1-16) Our gracious God is so generous in every way - please extend that generosity to another (non-Catholic) Christian this week! I thank Kathy Regier for being our point-person with Development & Peace, especially with this year’s Fall Campaign. Let’s personally encourage our government to do the right thing when it comes to International Development. St. Boniface will hear from Ted Soudant next week as he challenges parishioners there to overcome any operating deficit. Both parishes will hear from Deacon Gary Coyle the week after. Deacon Gary is a long-time booster of Chalice, a child sponsorship program for needy youth in the developing world. (I saw the glossy magazine from Canada’s biggest aid agency last week, and I cringed to think of the money spent on pro-motion! Here is a very stripped down-to-the-bones organization which gets all your money to children in need.) If you are in search of a truly great Christmas gift, please wait until you hear Deacon Gary’s appeal. The Sundays of November, I will be preaching on the Final Things again: death, judgement, Hell and Heaven. We cannot live in these tumultuous days without asking ourselves the largest questions. Let’s be life and death people this week! Good Bless! Fr. Matt

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**2017 National Vocations Awareness Week**

Did you know that in our country, compared to 50 years ago, there are 20,000 fewer priests and 130,000 fewer religious sisters? At the same time, the Catholic population has continued to grow steadily. Many factors have contributed to the decline: growing secularism, a lengthened period of adolescence, attitudes about celibacy, etc. During Vocation Awareness week, please pray that young people in today’s society will hear and respond to God’s call. And do your part to encourage them to consider the priesthood and religious life.

**CCCB Initiative for Life and Family Prayer for Families & Small Groups**

Jesus, you offered us an invitation to fall in love with the law by allowing us to fall in love with you. Teach us to offer the lessons we have learned to others only inasmuch as we are willing to offer ourselves in real relationship with your people. Give us humility to identify as sinners, ever and always in need of your mercy, even when we have been blessed by growing in wisdom and knowledge. Amen.
Prayer List

*Please remember in your prayers* the members of our parish family suffering from illness, Louise Merner, Reese Thomson, Steve Brock, Fr. Martin Nyland, Shirley Bedard, Madeline Denomme, Marie Cyr, Michael Frijters, Theresa Davies, Martha Risi, Martin Van Raay, Fr. Henry Cassano and all who minister in hospitals.

The Newly Baptized

Welcome to our parish family Harvey Philip Masse, son of Grant & Katie, Henry Joseph Mathonia, son of Derek & Michelle and Alexander Jeffrey Regier, son of Jeffrey & Christinia who were baptized last weekend.

Congratulations

Congratulations and our prayerful wishes to Robert Pontsioen and Claire Eckert who were married at St. Peter’s last weekend.

Office Hours

The church office will be closed on Friday, November 10th.

Preauthorized Donations

Thank-you to all our parishioners who have signed up for preauthorized bank deductions. This method of donation helps in the mission of the parish particularly in our budgeting. **We are now preparing our records for next years preauthorized donations.** If you are not already signed up and would like to make donations through automatic monthly bank withdrawal please complete the form found in the bulletin. Please have all completed forms to the Office by **December 1, 2017** to ensure automatic withdrawal can begin January 2018.

Stratford Right to Life Memberships

St. Boniface and St. Peter’s CWLs will be collecting Stratford Right to Life Memberships at mass on the weekends of **November 4/5 and 11/12.** The cost is $20 for a yearly membership. Please consider joining and help support the important work of this group.

November is the Month of Remembrance

The “Book of Life” will be near the altar at St. Boniface & St. Peter’s Parishes throughout the month of November. You are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones and friends in the Book. At each Mass in November, these names will be included in the Prayers of the Faithful.

Remembrance Day Service

The St. Joseph & Area Historical Society will host a Remembrance Day Service on **Saturday, November 11 at 11 am** in the St. Joseph Memorial Park.

Family Foundations Institute

Join us for our 9th Annual Conference on Marriage: “Complementarity”, **Saturday, November 18 at St. Andre Bessette High School** in London from 10 am to 4 pm. Featuring: Shaunti Feldhahn, International Speaker and Best-selling author. The day includes: Holy Mass, Video Presentation of Internationally Renowned Series *Humanuum*, Hot Lunch & Social, and feature presentation from Shaunti Feldhahn. Register today by visiting FAMFI.CA or contact info@famfi.ca to reserve your advance price registration.

Attention Youth Age 13 on up!!!

You won’t want to miss this!! Desire an encounter with Christ? Is music a passion of yours and a way you enter into prayer? Then come on **Friday, December 8** for a time of adoration and inspiration with Katey Norman, as well as upbeat praise and worship music by Josh Rosedale. **Join us at St. Michael High School in Stratford from 7 - 10 pm.** There will be games, snacks and fun. If you have any questions call Monique Hartman @ 519-236-7817 or visit www.stratfordfop.com

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| Revenue | $8,254 | |
| Expenses | 8,645 | |
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| Revenue | $6,064 | |
| Expenses | 9,973 | |
| Surplus (deficit) | ($3,909) | |
Bayview Golf Club
Phone: 519-236-4030
Email: bayviewgolf@hay.net
www.bayviewgolfclub.ca
Hwy. 21, 7 miles
North of Grand Bend
Call to book tournaments & tee times.

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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 regularly 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
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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.