Dear Parishioners: ’tis the season for graduations! With St. Boniface’ School on Monday and St. Ann’s on Thursday, many of our parishes’ families will have much to celebrate. (Thinking back on my own experience – being the last of my parents’ kids – I’m sure our little commencement exercises in Delhi meant far more to my Mom & Dad than to me! Please spend some extra time with our Graduates or give them a call so they have an opportunity to reflect on this latest watershed moment in their lives.) God bless all our Graduates, their families, their teachers and all who have played a role in the education of our young people! Speaking of supporting education, this being a municipal election year, please take an active role in forming & participating in all that goes toward our local civic life. The health of our nation – how robust our democracy is – depends largely on the informed, active role we as citizens play. Please consider letting your name stand for Schoolboard Trustee (see the Ontario Catholic Trustees’ pamphlet at the doors of the church) or another elected position. I thank Mike Miller for his many years of faithful service as our Trustee: each time I meet the Trustees, I am always impressed with their devotion to our young people and their love for our Catholic Faith. Everything Old is New Again Dept.: I see the Jesuits (of America Media) have re-booted their Catholic Book Club after ninety years off!! You can join the C.B.C. on Facebook and follow their discussions on 4 different books over the course of a year. (If we get enough people locally, perhaps we could meet face-to-face and do something really counter-cultural, like have an actual conversation! What fun!) July 5-8 I will be away to the National Catholic Cursillo Conference in Kitchener-Waterloo: pray that our delegates will be able to bring the shared wisdom & experience of the rest of the nation to our local scene. (Again, if you are into weird stuff like meeting other people, talking about our Faith and encouraging people in their journey of discipleship, you may want to consider attending an Ultreya to find out what Cursillo is all about.) This blessed time of year includes the Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul, the patronal feast for St. Peter’s Parish: please consider joining us for a pot-luck supper (thank you, Social Committee!) June 29th. Next weekend, we will hear an appeal for support from Annette & Michael Hartman as they prepare for a year of service in the National Evangelization Teams (see the enclosed insert): here are two remarkable young people generously giving some of their lives to the Church in Canada. Let’s do all we can to see that they get the support they need to be effective ministers to our youth. God bless you! Fr. Matt

Mass Notations
Please note the Mass changes for this week: Graduation Mass will be celebrated at St. Boniface on Monday at 5:30 pm; Year End School Mass will be Thursday at 9:15 am at St. Boniface and the Mass on Friday will be at St. Peter’s at 5 pm followed by a potluck supper to celebrate the Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul. There will be no Mass on Tuesday and the Friday morning Mass at St. Boniface has been cancelled.

Parish Community Card Party
The next Parish Community Card Party will be held on Tuesday, June 26 at 7:15 pm at St. Boniface Church.
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, Madeleine Denomme, Marie Cyr, Theresa Davies, Janet Durand, Steven Overholt, Donna Smith, Pat Mihm, Fr. Henry Cassano and all who minister in hospitals.

The Newly Baptized
Welcome to our parish family Carson Randall Gerard Ducharme, son of Derek & Holly who was baptized at St. Boniface Church last weekend.

Birthday Wishes!!!
Happy Birthday Wishes to Pat Langford who is celebrating her “80th” Birthday. May God bless her with His love through the coming year.

Happy Holidays!!!
May God bless all our Graduates who are moving along the journey of life. Thanks go to the teachers as well as the parents and staff whom God has placed over them. We pray that all students and staff have a safe and happy summer!

Feast of Saints Peter & Paul
Everyone is invited to come out and celebrate the Feast of Saints Peter & Paul on Friday, June 29 at St. Peter’s Church. Mass at 5 pm with a potluck supper to follow. Surprise us with your favourite dish.

Missing from St. Peter’s
There are 2 recycling boxes from St. Peter’s Hall missing. Also, missing from the church are a couple of the hearing assists for the sound system. If anyone knows where either of these items are please contact the church office or return them to the hall/church.

St. Peter’s CWL
This years CWL Provincial Convention, "Inspired By The Spirit, Women Respond to God’s Call", will be held in Toronto from July 9th to 11th. In keeping with this years focus on Homelessness, they will be collecting $5 Tim Hortons and $5 McDonalds Gift Cards. Anyone from the parish caring to donate to this amazing outreach, please put your gift cards in an envelope marked “CWL GIFT CARD DONATION” and drop in the collection basket before July 8th. You may also contact Carrie Van Osch for more details, 519-494-6567.

St. Andre Committee
The St. Andre Committee last year created posters for the original families that were in this parish when St. Andre visited. We are now looking to obtain pictures of families who have joined our parish either as permanent members or regular visitors. We have started a poster (located in the entrance of church) on which to put pictures that we are given. Please bring us a picture with your name and the date that you started attending this parish. There is also a book where you can enter your email address if you wish to receive notices from the parish.

Vacation Bible School
Ahoy! VBS sets sail on July 9th! REGISTER your kids for this week long voyage of morning fun located at Zurich Mennonite Church by going to zurichvbs.ca! Captain Director is looking for deckhands and crew captains so sign up to VOLUNTEER by talking to Kristyn Egli (226-237-4310), or Sam Steckle (226-222-0539/sam.steckle@gmail.com) or emailing zurichvbs@gmail.com. SPREAD THE WORD to your friends, family and neighbours and get excited!

Ultreya
The June ultreya in Goderich is being held on Sunday, June 24 at 7:30 pm at the Knight’s of Columbus Centre at 390 Parson’s Court in Goderich. For any further information call Eileen at 519-524-9400 or Marie at 519-600-5261. Anyone wishing to join us to find out what it’s all about is most welcome. There are no ultreyas in July and August. The September ultreya will be on Friday, September 14.

Fatal Flaws Documentary
Are laws allowing euthanasia & assisted suicide leading society down a dangerous path? Join us on Wednesday, July 4 at 7 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary church hall in Grand Bend, for a screening of “Fatal Flaws” Legalizing Assisted Death. This is a documentary film by filmmaker Kevin Dunn. Guest Speaker Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director for the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, will be on hand to speak about this issue and answer questions. Contact Tammy Vandersanden for more info at tvandersanden@execulink.com.

News Briefs from the June 2018 Blue Water Rest Home Board Meeting...
New Attending Physician – effective July 1, 2018, Dr. Michael Hammond is joining the Attending Physician group at Blue Water Rest Home and will roster ten residents. Dr. O’Connor is retiring from his community practice at the Grand Bend Area Community Health Centre at the end of June but we are pleased that he is continuing as the Medical Director at Blue Water Rest Home.

Upcoming Events
Adventures in Cooking class Thursdays in August (2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th) at the West Huron Care Centre Risi Room & Learning Kitchen. $5.00 per person per session. To register, call Miranda Burgess, Registered Dietitian 519-238-1556 x 222 or email mburgess@gbchc.com. Mental Health First Aid is being September 27 and 28, 2018 at the West Huron Care Centre. Cost $160.00. For more information, please contact Patty Groot, Outreach and Programs Manager 519-236-4373 x 631.

CCCB Initiative for Life and Family Prayer for Families & Small Groups
Saint John the Baptist, you found your purpose in pointing others to Jesus. Pray for us — that we might live lives that do likewise; that we might set down our excuses and let God use us; that our lives might be a path towards the living God. Amen.
Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

Events at a glance....

- Graduation Mass - Monday, June 25 at 5:30 pm at St. Boniface Church
- Parish Community Card Party - Tuesday, June 26 at 7:15 pm at St. Boniface Church
- Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Wednesday, June 27 at 7:30 pm
- Year End School Mass - Thursday, June 28 at 9:15 am at St. Boniface Church
- Feast of St. Peter & Paul - Friday, June 29 - Mass at 5 pm followed by Potluck Supper at St. Peter’s
- Summer Welcome to All Parishioners - Coffee Sunday, July 1 following the 9 am & 11 am Masses
- Zurich Vacation Bible School - July 9 - 13 at the Zurich Mennonite Church

St. Andre 100 Years Website - http://standre100.weebly.com

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

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

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.