32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday, November 11, 2018

God’s mercy and generosity are unsurpassed. All throughout Scripture, God cares for those who suffer and are vulnerable: physically, emotionally and spiritually. The greatest sign is God’s care is in the gift of his Son, Jesus, who removed the power of sin through the sacrifice of his own life. The Church now stands as the body of Christ, caring for others and showing them God’s mercy, which is unsurpassed.

Dear Parishioners: finally it’s soup weather! (I get to store my soup outside overnight http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/public/programs/publichealth/foodsafety/chill.aspx at <4°C, and don’t have to re-organize my fridge!) I hope everyone is enjoying the crispness of the air and the beautiful colours of fall. Let’s look ahead to our Family of Parishes’ Mission with Fr. Eugene “Red” O’Reilly CSSR! I have cleared my calendar of everything except a diocesan workshop on Safe Environments/ Volunteer recruitment, training & appreciation (Called, Gifted & Sent) which is a command performance, given the heightened awareness around clergy sexual abuse. Regardless, I will be present for each evening presentation — come out and have your relationship with God renewed and encouraged! I see it’s time for Bible Sunday again: remember, we give a free Bible to every child in the parish who is in grade 4 — not just those who attend St. Boniface School. Is there some family member who should know about Bible Sunday next week? Please do your best to spread the word. With the Feast of Christ the King & Advent fast approaching, it is time for new missals: every child in the parish who is in grade 2 will receive a free Sunday Missal for Young Catholics at the Masses on the Nov. 24/25th weekend. Is anyone free to help out with the Royal Canadian Legion’s Bells of Peace initiative? They have asked us to toll our bell 100x at sunset on Sunday. It would be great to get some of our young (and young-at-heart!) parishioners involved! The LORD contrasts the Pharisees, walking around in their long robes, with the heart-felt devotion of the widow (as a professional long-robe walker myself, this Gospel is particularly grating!: may our deeds be rich in kindness this week, and flow from the poverty of our spirits! God bless. Fr. Matt

Family of Parishes Advent Mission
You are invited to attend our Family of Parishes Mission at St. Peter’s Parish, Goderich on November 18 & 19 and at Precious Blood Parish, Exeter on November 20 & 21 from 7 - 8 pm. Have you decided to attend? No matter what your decision, can I ask you to pray about the Mission? Prayer, as you know, changes things. Pray for yourself and for others. God will not refuse a heart raised to him in sincere prayer. Prayer will do for us what no other force on earth can do.

St. Peter’s CWL Advent Retreat
A joyful invitation to all women of St. Boniface and St. Peter’s Churches. Prepare your heart and soul to celebrate our Christ Child’s birth. Saturday, December 1, 2018, 8:45am to 3pm, St. Peter’s Parish Hall. Tickets on sale at the back of both churches on Sunday, November 18th and 25th. Limited seating and you must pre-register. Only $5 with snacks and lunch included. Bring along a food donation for Blessings Food Bank. If you have a food allergy or require more information, contact Dianne Tschirhart: 519-565-5275 cocitshirt@outlook.com

DEAR PARISHIONERS

MSS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 12 - 18

MONDAY: November 12
(Vocation Support Prayer:
Mrs. Louise Trapp, Parish Nurse)

TUESDAY: November 13
(Mrs. Brenda Atkinson, Pastoral Minister/Youth Ministry)
St. Peter’s Church
11:30 am - Rosary & Devotions to St. Joseph & St. Andre
12:00 pm - Mass
+Deb Mitchell - Bernie Mitchell
+Madeline Denomme - Don & Charlene Oesch

WEDNESDAY: November 14
(Deacon John Doornenrik)
St. Boniface Church
6:25 pm - Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
7:00 pm - Mass
+(4th Ann.) Gloria Bedour - Carolyn & Joe Rau
For Deceased Members of the Reidy & Kenny Family
- Clarence & Joan Regier
Int. of Carolyn & Joe Rau - The Rau Family

THURSDAY: November 15
(Rev. Pedro Zuniga, F.M.M.)
Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm
+Catherine Hagan Clarke - Peg Hagan

FRIDAY: November 16
(Rev. Benjamin Raze)
St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am - School Mass
+Patsy Rau - Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board
Int. of Steve & Pat Meidinger - Joe & Carolyn Rau
+Eugene Hartman - Francis & Doreen Hartman & Family

SATURDAY: November 17
(Mr. Ron MacDonald, Pastoral Minister)
St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:00 am - 8:45 am
Int. of Fr. Matt George - Kathy Regier
+Rose Regier - Gerard & Henrica Masse
+Joe Regier - Theresa Salvador
St. Boniface Church - 5:00 pm

SUNDAY: November 18
(Rev. Mark Gazin, C.S.B.)
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, Louise Merner, Reese Thomson, Fr. Martin Nyland, Shirley Bedard, Marie Cyr, Theresa Davies, Janet Durand, Steven Overholt, Donna Smith, Pat Mihm, Carolyn Rau, Steve Meidinger, Nanc Wilkins, Fr. Henry Cassano and all who minister in hospitals.

Bible Sunday

Next weekend **November 17 & 18** free bibles for all parish children in Grade 4 (from any school) will be handed out at all weekend Masses. Grade 4 youth will be called forward after the homily to receive bibles and have them blessed. A social will follow all Masses.

St. Boniface CWL

**Thank-you** to everyone for your help and generous support of our fall bazaar. It was a huge success. The winners are posted on the church bulletin board.

CWL Meeting - **Tuesday, November 20** at 7:30 pm.

Everyone is welcome to come and listen to our guest speaker from Victim Services - Susan Regier. Henrica & Debbie’s group in charge.

St. Peter’s CWL

**CWL Meeting** - Welcoming all women to join us **Tuesday, November 13th** at 7 pm in our Parish Hall.

CWL Memberships - November is our annual Catholic Women’s League membership drive for new and renewing members. Please pick up and fill out an envelope you will find at the back of the church and drop it into the collection basket. Cost is $25. As an added incentive, any **NEW members** to register this month will receive a **FREE dinner** to this year’s **CWL Christmas Dinner**, to be held on **Tuesday, December 11**. We look forward to seeing some new faces. Please watch for upcoming posters and bulletin for more details. Any questions, please contact Carrie Van Osch 519-494-6456.

Warmth & Comfort Project - The CWL is collecting socks for the nearing winter months. We are seeking socks for men, women and children. These socks will be going towards those less fortunate; homeless, shelters, hospitals, palliative care and those in our community. The Provincial goal is to collect 2019 pairs of **brand new socks from now until the end of December**. Together we can make a bigger impact as a whole. Please place your socks in the box set up at the back of the church. We appreciate your generosity!

**2nd Annual St. Bro. Andre Christmas Turkey Dinner**

The 2nd Annual St. Bro. André Christmas Turkey Dinner will be **Tuesday, December 4 in the St. Peter’s Parish Hall**. Social hour to begin at 5:30 pm and dinner at 6:30 pm. Cost of a ticket is $25.00 wine and punch included. Please join us for a delicious dinner as we gather in honour of St. André. Tickets are available from Phil LaPorte or Loretta Ayotte or by calling the parish office.

Office Hours

The church office will be closed at 11:00 am on **Thursday, November 15**.

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 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 2, 2018** to ensure automatic withdrawal can begin January 2019.

**January 1, 2018 - October 31, 2018**

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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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Siding - Decks
519-236-4720

Bayfield Garage
519-565-2538
Don McLain, Owner
Hwy 21, Bayfield, ON N0M 1G0
Brakes - Front End - Suspension - Mufflers – Front Wheel Drive

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Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

Events at a glance....
• Catholic Study Group - Tuesday, November 13 at St. Peter’s following the noon Mass
• Bereavement Group - Tuesday, November 13 at St. Boniface Church at 6:30 pm
• Catholic Study Group - Wednesday, November 14 at St. Boniface following the 7 pm Mass
• Bereavement Group - Tuesday, November 15 at St. Peter’s Church at 10:00 am
• Family of Parishes Mission - November 18 & 19 at St. Peter’s, Goderich and November 20 & 21 at Precious Blood, Exeter from 7 - 8 pm
• Bereavement Group - Thursday, November 22 at St. Peter’s at 10:00 am
• Bereavement Group - Tuesday, November 27 at St. Boniface at 6:30 pm
• Parish Community Card Party - Tuesday, November 27 at 7:15
• Bereavement Group - Thursday, November 29 at St. Peter’s at 10:00 am

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.
Parish Office & School Contact Information

Parish Office:
22 Mary St., Box 81
Zurich, ON NoM 2T0
519-236-4238
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

Parish Pastoral Council
Kristie Cresswell
Cynthia Forler
Lynette Graham
Ray Mathonia
Janet Soudant
Marg Suplat

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

Celebrating Our Faith
Baptism(1,626),(317,994)
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.