24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 16, 2018

As the Christ, Jesus is the one that Israel has long waited for. Scripture contains many important questions. Chief among them is the one Jesus asks today, *Who do you say that I am?* How we answer that question goes to the heart of our faith. Can we, like Peter, say *You are the Christ?* And how deep is our commitment to this confession of faith?

**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, Madeline Denomme, Marie Cyr, Theresa Davies, Janet Durand, Steven Overholt, Donna Smith, Pat Mihm, Diane Belanger, Carolyn Rau, Fr. Henry Cassano and all who minister in hospitals.

**St. Boniface CWL**

CWL Potluck Supper/Meeting - Tuesday, September 18 beginning at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Potluck supper followed by a short meeting and presentation of pins. All are welcome!

**CWL 2018 Raffle Ticket Winners!**

Many thanks to all who donated such generous prizes, those that sold and purchased tickets to all who volunteered to help make this years Raffle a huge success.

*Congratulations to...*

**Prize #1** - Dinner for 2 @ F.I.N.E. A Resturant

*John Harvey*, Royal Oak, MI

(St. Joseph Cottager)

**Prize #2** - Dinner for 2 @ Aunt Gussies & 2 Tickets to the Playhouse

*Patricia Langford*, Bayfield

**Prize #3** - $50 Gift Certificate to Kelsey’s & 2 London Knights Hockey Tickets

*Angela Smith*, Dublin

**Prize #4** - Oakwood Spa

*Colton Masse*, Zurich

**Prize #5** - Baby Quilt

*Sandra Ford*, Grand Bend

**Sacramental Parent Meeting**

There will be an important Sacramental Parent Meeting this Wednesday, September 19 at St. Boniface Church following the 7 pm Mass. This meeting is for all parents/guardians with students who will be preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, 1st Communion and/or Confirmation this year. *This meeting is for parents/guardians only.* Parents of children studying in schools other than St. Boniface who would like to prepare their children for these Sacraments are asked to contact the Church Office as soon as possible. If you are unable to attend the Parent Meeting please contact the office.
**Blessing of Animals**

The Blessing of Animals will be held on **Sunday, September 30 at 3 pm at St. Peter’s Church**. Our pets are a blessing please consider getting your animals blessed.

**Catholic Update Study Groups**

Starting in October we will begin an informal discussion group (six sessions) on selected Catholic Update articles. The study groups will be offered at **St. Peter’s following the noon Mass on Tuesdays** and at **St. Boniface following the 7 pm Mass on Wednesdays**. More information is to follow.

**Alzheimer's Coffee Break**

The annual Alzheimer’s Coffee Break will be held at the Bluewater Resthome on **Tuesday, September 18th from 2:30 - 3:30 pm**. Everyone welcome!

**Veritas Series for Faith and Culture**

King’s University College has announced the 2018-2019 Veritas Lecture Series. On **Thursday, Sept. 20**, Dr. Susan Aglukark will present “Nomad: The Soul of The People of Canada’s Arctic.” Through songs and stories, she will take you on the journey of the Canadian Inuit over the last 1000 years and shed some light on the psychological and cultural impact of that rapid change. On **October 18-19**, Dr. Timothy P. O’Malley will present “Liturgy and the Universality of the Church.” Co-sponsored by the London District Catholic School Board, he will discuss the need of the Church to “think about liturgical inclusion not simply as a series of tactics to increase liturgical participation. Instead, it must relate to the Church’s mission to transform the entire world in Eucharistic love.” **All talks begin at 7:30 pm at King's University College** in the Joanne & Peter Kenny Theatre, Darryl J. King Student Life Centre, 266 Epworth Avenue, London. Parking and admission are free and facilities are wheelchair accessible. For more information please visit kings.uwo.ca/veritas or email Lisavery@kings.uwo.ca.

**Marriage Tribunal Volunteers**

The Diocese of London Marriage Tribunal is in need of volunteer Auditors to take the testimonies of people who are looking to obtain a Declaration of Nullity (“annulment”) as well as their witnesses. If this is something that you think you would like to do, please contact Philip Palmer at 519-439-1553 ext. 30 or ppalmer@dol.ca.

**Avow - Vocation Discernment Groups for Catholic Women**

Every woman is called to make a gift of herself in love. Discovering the form the gift will take is the art of discernment. Avow is a small group for Catholic women, ages 18 to 35, who gather for heart-to-heart conversation and study as they embark on the journey of discernment together. Avow is not a program to recruit or convince you of your vocation; rather it is designed to create an atmosphere of freedom and openness for the authentic pursuit of the Father’s will. Groups are guided by the discernment principles of St. Ignatius of Loyola. In London & Surrounding Regions: Meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month. Please contact Marjorie Braatz at mbraatz84@gmail.com. In Windsor-Essex & Surrounding Regions: Meetings are held monthly. Please contact Maureen at the Madonna House, Windsor at mhwindsor@dol.ca.

**Quo Vadis - Vocation Discernment Groups for Catholic Men**

Quo Vadis is Latin for “where are you going?” Is Jesus calling me to be a Catholic priest? It’s not an easy question to answer. It takes prayer and study to discover your true vocation. Quo Vadis is a discernment group of men, ages 18 to 35, who love Jesus Christ and His Church, and who are willing to talk with other like-minded men about their future. The group meetings aren’t meant to convince you that priesthood is your vocation. You could very well be called to marriage or to another vocation, but openness to God’s will is the goal of these groups. Contact Fr. Patrick Bénêauté at vocations@dol.ca or 519-432-1824 ext. 204, for meeting times and locations.

**Family Catechism**

Do you want to spend time together as a family and learn more about your faith? Interested in meeting other families and making new friends. Looking for ways to grow in your relationship with God? Join us for Family Catechism. Visit or register at https://famfi.ca/family-catechism/ or contact Stephen & Krista Huver (London) skhuver@hotmail.com or Chris & Barb Runstedler (Stratford) barb.runstedler@gmail.com. Family Catechism will start at the end of September for most locations.

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

Jesus, you know the deepest pains of our world and the hurt that has been caused by the sins within our Church. Help us to face our sorrow and disappointment, and the pain of those wounded most deeply. Give us courage to live the faith we believe, so that one person at a time we may give witness to your healing, love and mercy. Amen.
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519-565-2538
Don McIlwain, Owner
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Bayview Golf Club
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Email: bayviewgolf@hay.net
www.bayviewgolfclub.ca
Hwy. 21, 7 miles North of Grand Bend
Call to book tournaments & tee times.

Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

Events at a glance....
• Parent Sacrament Meeting - Wednesday, September 19 at 7:30 pm at St. Boniface Church
• Blessing of Animals - Sunday, September 30 at 3 pm at St. Peter’s Church
• Catholic Update Study Group - Tuesday, October 2 at St. Peter’s following the noon Mass
• NET Retreat - for Grade 7 & 8 students - Wednesday, October 3 at St. Boniface Church
• Catholic Update Study Group - Wednesday October 3 at St. Boniface at 7 pm
• First Friday School Mass & 12 Hour Adoration - Friday, October 5 at St. Boniface Church
• Catholic Update Study Group - Tuesday, October 9 at St. Peter’s following the noon Mass
• Catholic Update Study Group - Wednesday October 10 at St. Boniface at 7 pm

St. Andre 100 Years Website - http://standre100.weebly.com
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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
Kristie Cresswell
Cynthia Forler
Lynette Graham
Ray Mathonia
Janet Soudant
Marg Suplat

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.