2nd Sunday of Advent - Sunday, December 9, 2018
As we await the coming of our Lord and Savior, joy and hope fill our hearts in anticipation of the Messiah. Prepare the way of the Lord! Today marks the Second Sunday of Advent, and we are filled with hope, joy and anticipation. The Lord enters the world to save us. Our paths will be made straight. Our burdens will be eased. Our darkness will be lightened. Salvation is at hand.

Dear Parishioners: What a blessed beginning to the season of Advent! I thank all who have supported – and continue to lift up in prayer – our young people who celebrated Confirmation last Sunday with Bishop Dabrowski CSMA. (If I had known that some of his questions were going to be about my feline companion Lola, I would have put that in the souvenir programme as well!) Our coordinator Sandra Regier, our small group leaders and Mrs. Ferguson at St. Boniface School deserve our thanks for all their efforts over the previous months. Thanks to all the liturgical & music ministers, the Social Committee and everyone who participated in those excellent celebrations! Whodathunk Dept.: one of our participants in our Seasons of Hope bereavement Group from Seaforth said that the Live Nativity today (Sunday) would be a great thing to share with all the parishes in our Family! (Please note the earlier time for sung Evening Prayer at St. Peter’s, to allow people to attend both events if they wish.) I know I need to re-evaluate how I think of what goes on in all our parishes, and start thinking of the wider Catholic Community in Huron County. Pray for our families celebrating First Reconciliation today (Sunday), and if you didn’t take advantage of the Family of Parishers Mission, please come out Wednesday evening for the Communal Reconciliation Service at St. Boniface: you’ve heard of “herd immunity” when it comes to community health? The same holds true for getting your soul right with God! By the grace of God, we can help one another lead reconciled lives & prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus, the Light of the World. Have a blessed week! Fr. Matt

1st Reconciliation
Our Grade 2 children will be making their 1st Reconciliation this Sunday, December 9 at 2:00 pm at St. Boniface Church. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this sacrament.

Advent Communal Reconciliation
Everyone is invited to join us on Wednesday, December 12 at 7 pm at St. Boniface Church where we will have the opportunity to experience God’s mercy and compassion and reconciling love at our Advent Communal Reconciliation.

Sung Evening Prayer
- Sunday, December 9 at St. Peter’s at 6 pm
- Sunday, December 16 at St. Boniface at 7 pm
- Sunday, December 23 at St. Peter’s at 7 pm

St. Boniface School Christmas Concert
Thursday, December 13 at 1 pm and 6:30 pm in St. Boniface School gym. The school will be collecting canned goods for our local food bank. Snow date: December 19.
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, Nanc Wilkins, Tim (TJ) Klopp, Fr. Henry Cassano and all who minister in hospitals.

St. Boniface CWL

Christmas Social - Tuesday, December 11 at 7 pm in the Narthex. Please bring your favourite appetizer-dessert to share. Also a $5 wrapped gift for the gift exchange. Joan & Rose’s group in charge.

Pre- Authorized Offertory Gifts

At St. Boniface & St. Peter’s we offer Preauthorized Bank Deductions to make your regular donations to the Parishes easier for you. Offertory donations may be made by authorizing a monthly deduction from your bank account. You will never need to worry about forgetting your offertory envelope. Thank-you to all our parishioners who have already signed up for this program. If you would like more information please contact Lori at the Parish Office.

Offertory Envelopes for 2019

If you are not currently receiving offertory envelopes and would like a set for 2019 please contact the church office at 519-236-4191.

Advent Memorial Donations

Once again this year we are offering a way for you to remember your loved one this Christmas! We will be accepting donations from both parishes for flowers throughout the Christmas season to be donated in memory of your loved one. If you wish to make a cash donation in memory of someone please place your donation in an envelope marked “Christmas Flowers” along with the name of the deceased person and your name or the name you wish to use as offered by. Please have all donations into the church office by Monday, December 17, 2018. The names of the deceased loved ones will be published in our Christmas bulletin.

---

Zurich Live Nativity

Sunday, December 9  7 pm
at the Zurich Pavillion.

A Message from your Finance Committee

Our Parishes appreciate your generosity and depend on it continuing especially at Christmas time for our financial needs and the mission of the Church. Currently St. Peter’s is operating in a deficit ($2,573) and St. Boniface has surplus of $1,295 and we are still going to need a little more help to make a balance budget by years end. Hopefully with your help we can meet our operating needs at both parishes for this year. Thank-you! The Finance Committee

---

Christmas/New Year’s Mass Times

Christmas Eve - December 24
5 pm St. Boniface  7 pm St. Peter’s

Christmas Day - December 25
9 am St. Boniface  11 am St. Peter’s  1 pm BWRH

New Year’s Eve - December 31
5 pm St. Boniface

New Year’s Day - January 1
9:30 am BWRH  11 am St. Peter’s

---

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>January 1, 2018 - November 30, 2018</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>St. Peter’s</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Operating:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Revenue</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Collections $69,119</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other                 20,608</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Revenue $89,727</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Expenses                  92,300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Surplus (deficit) ($2,573)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>St. Andre:</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Collections $14,294</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Expenses                 2,131</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Surplus (deficit) $12,163</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Capital (January 2018 - November 2018):</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Revenue</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$4,624</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Expenses</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Surplus (deficit) $4,624</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

| **St. Boniface**                     |
| Operating:                          |
| Revenue                             |
| Collections $104,197                 |
| Other                 27,223            |
| Total Revenue $131,420               |
| Expenses                  130,125             |
| Surplus (deficit) $1,295             |
| **Capital (January 2018 - November 2018):** |
| Revenue                             |
| $7,277                              |
| Expenses                             |
| 0                                   |
| Surplus (deficit) $7,277             |

Actual Balance in Building Fund Account at Diocese of London $68,310

---
Events at a glance....

- **1st Reconciliation** - Sunday, December 9 at 2 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **Sung Evening Prayer** - Sunday, December 9 at 6 pm at St. Peter’s Church
- **Bereavement Group** - Tuesday, December 11 at St. Boniface at 6:30 pm
- **Communal Reconciliation** - Wednesday, December 12 at 7 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **Bereavement Group** - Thursday, December 13 at St. Peter’s at 10:00 am
- **Sung Evening Prayer** - Sunday, December 16 at 7 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **Bereavement Group** - Tuesday, December 18 at St. Boniface at 6:30 pm
- **Sung Evening Prayer** - Sunday, December 23 at 7 pm at St. Peter’s

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

Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

**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.

**Pat Bedard Construction**

General Carpentry
Renovations - Additions
Siding – Decks
519-236-4720

**Bayfield Garage**

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

**Design - Until**

JEFFREY BROTHERS LIMITED
BUILDING, CONTRACTORS
RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, AGRICULTURAL
R.R. # 2, ZURICH
Ontario
John
Tel: 519-236-4414
Fax: 519-236-7103

**Town & Country Bow-Ling-Lanes**

38120 Zurich-Hendall Rd, Zurich, ON
(519) 236-4923
Parties * Leagues * Open Bowling * Licensed
Call or Email for Hours or Reservations
tcblonglanes@bay.net
www.townandcountrybowling.com
Joan Regier, Owner
Cheryl Regier, Manager

**Rau Bros. Design & Build**

R.R. # 2, ZURICH, ONTARIO N0M 2T0
Qualified R-2000 Builder - Free Estimates
(519) 236-7714
(519) 236-7816
(519) 236-7421

**Munir’s Piano Service**

Craig Munir
Certified Technician
519-236-9593
munirpavianishing@yahoo.ca
Dashwood, Ontario
TUNING & REPAIRS

**Smith-peat Roofing & Sheet Metal Ltd.**

ROBERT WATSON
President
152 Thames Rd.
Exeter, Ontario
Bus: 519-235-2802
Fax: 519-235-1532

**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.

**D. Regier Construction**

David Regier, Owner
R.R#2
Zurich, ON N0M 2T0
Ph: 519-236-7120
Fax: 519-236-4900

**Regier Home Improvements**

Homes - Additions - Renovations

**Big Bill’s Storage**

HEATED - SECURED
RV’s, Trailers, Automobiles & Boats
Dashwood - Grand Bend Area
519 - 878 - 9123 or 519 - 235 - 2802
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

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

**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.

**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.

**Website**
Our website is regularly updated. There is a monthly calendar of events, important information and great pictures.
www.bluewater.dionet.ca

**Parish Office & School Contact Information**

**Parish Office:**
22 Mary St., Box 81
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
stbonifacees@hpcdsb.ca

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

**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

**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.