2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 20, 2019

The Lord has betrothed himself to us in Christ Jesus and we are not abandoned. The wedding at Cana has Jesus at the heart of the celebration. He is present now as we gather to celebrate. Here today he bestows upon us his blessings and his gifts - bringing forth faith and reassuring us of his fidelity and abundant grace.

Dear Parishioners: am I the only one who’s pleased that winter has finally arrived? I love seeing the Lake as much as the next guy, but shouldn’t it be frozen over by now? One of my favourite winter warm-ups is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: St. Boniface will be hosting the noon-hour discussion sessions next Monday to Friday, with the wrap-up Prayer Service at Exeter United Church next Sunday. How great is that, that our local efforts are now bearing fruit in the wider community?! Please join us for any, all or some of our gatherings: I know I get a great lift from hearing how other Christians are plugging along, fighting the same good fight as ourselves. With the article from the Sunday Living with Christ missalette “Encountering Grief & Loss”, I’ve included in this week’s email the latest Catholic Update on human trafficking. I am so pleased that our diocesan Catholic Women’s League has made this topic a priority (I’ve already attended one presentation by a local agency that works to rehab trafficked people), and you will see us demonstrating at our local On Route service centre this Spring – stay tuned! The Lord re-invigorates the Wedding at Cana with the New Wine of the Kingdom: may our lives reflect that joyful abundance in our service to others this week! God bless you.

Fr. Matt

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, Nane Wilkins, Tim (TJ) Klopp, Fr. Henry Cassano and all who minister in hospitals.

The Newly Baptized

Welcome to our parish family Jordyn Lee Geddis, daughter of Josh & Jessica who was baptized at St. Boniface Church last weekend.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Come join us for some bible sharing during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The noon hour bible study will be held from Monday, January 21 to Friday, January 25 at St. Boniface Church; soup and beverages provided. We will end the week with a Christian Unity Service to be held on Sunday, January 27 at the Exeter United Church (42 James St.). Potluck meal at 4 pm with a worship service at 5 pm.

St. Boniface CWL

Brother Bob Bake Sale - Saturday, February 9 and Sunday, February 10 before and after Mass. All proceeds to Jesu Ashram in India. Baked goods for our table would be greatly appreciated and may be dropped off before Mass. Thank-you for your generous support.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 21 - 27

**MONDAY: January 21**
(Vocation Support Prayer: Rev. John Comiskey)

**TUESDAY: January 22**
(Rev. Paul Kim)

St. Peter’s Church
11:30 am - Rosary & Devotions to St. Joseph & St. Andre
12:00 pm - Mass
+Madeline Denomme - Lil LaPorte
+Michael Frijters - Mark & Dianne Tucker

**WEDNESDAY: January 23**
(Rev. Paul Nicholson)

St. Boniface Church
6:25 pm - Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
7:00 pm - Mass
Int. of Sam Willert - Gerard & Rosemary Ducharme
Int. of Lucille Masse - St. Boniface CWL
Int. of Steve & Pat Meidinger - Paul & Shirley Bedard

**THURSDAY: January 24**
(Deacon Richard Heath)

Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm
Int. of Veronica Bedard - St. Boniface CWL
+Marjorie Meidinger - Virginia Denomme

**FRIDAY: January 25**
(Ms. Nives Davies, Pastoral Minister)

St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am
+(11th Ann.) Paul Watson - Angela Watson & Family
+Stephen Watson & Adam Morrissey - Angela Watson & Family
Int. of Jerome Sweeney - Michael & Kate Moriarty

**SATURDAY: January 26**
(Rev. Michael Dwyer)

St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation - 8:00 am - 8:45 am
Int. of Father Matt George - Sister Mary
+Bernadine Regier - Kathy Regier
+Kay Wardell - Ray & Janice Hartman & Family

St. Boniface Church - 5:00 pm

**SUNDAY: January 27**
(Ursuline Religious of the Chatham Union)

St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
St. Peter’s Church - 11:00 am
**Parish Community Card Party**
Tuesday, January 22 at 7:15 pm at St. Boniface Church. Everyone Welcome!

**Western Fun & Country Western Ladies Fun Night**
Huron-Perth Region CWL members are invited to a Western Fun & Country Western Ladies Fun Night on Tuesday, May 7 at the Zurich Community Centre. Social Hour: 6 pm & Dinner: 7 pm. Cost: $25 per person. Live music by Mozart’s Melody Makers, Line Dancing. Wear your best Country & Western attire for the occasion. For more information contact Carrie Van Osch at crv anosch@gmail.com. Hosted by: St. Peter & St. Boniface CWL.

**St. Teresa of Calcutta Faith in Action Awards**
The Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board is pleased to host the 15th annual St. Teresa of Calcutta Faith in Action Awards, which recognize exemplary service to Catholic education. The nominees for this award represent all stakeholder groups in Huron-Perth Catholic — employees, parents, volunteers, priests and parishioners. The award recipients will be recognized at our Catholic Education Week Mass to be held on Monday, May 6, 2019. Nominations forms are available in each school, parish, and posted on the Board’s website at [www.huronperthcatholic.ca](http://www.huronperthcatholic.ca). The deadline for nominations is Friday, March 1, 2019. Please consider nominating someone worthy of this award.

**Ultreya**
The January ultreya will be on Sun., Jan. 27 at 2 pm at the Knights of Columbus Convention Centre, Goderich. We will have our February ultreya at 2 pm as well. Men’s cursillo weekend is March 21 - 24. The women’s cursillo weekend is March 28 - 31. Anyone wishing to go on a cursillo weekend or inquire about it please call Eileen at 519-524-9400 or Marie at 519-955-9320.

**News Briefs from the January 2019 Blue Water Rest Home Board Meeting...**

**Retirement Party for Dr. O’Connor** - Join us on Thursday, February 7, 2019 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. to honour Dr. O’Connor’s 48 years of service at Blue Water Rest Home. Entertainment and refreshments provided.

**Director Vacancy** - Blue Water Rest Home is looking for someone interested in joining the Board of Directors for a three year term. Anyone interested is encouraged to call Angie Dunn, Chief Executive Officer for more information 519-236-4373 ext 630.

**Annual General Meeting** - Blue Water Rest Home’s 54th Annual General Meeting is being held at the West Huron Care Centre on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 7 p.m. Annual membership to remain a voting member is $10.00 at the door or can be returned with your proxy that gets mailed out.

_BWRH is a NON-Profit Charitable organization and donations of $10 and greater are receipted and $500 and greater are recognized on a Donor Plaque._

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**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**
Each year the Christian community gathers in prayer with the confident hope of healing all that is divided in Christ’s Body. We do so to answer Christ’s call that “All be one” (John 17:21). This year, Bishop Fabbro, CSB, has asked us to gather with the Anglican Diocese of Huron on Wednesday, January 23 at 7:30 pm at St. Paul’s Cathedral (Queen’s and Richmond, London) for a time of prayer and fellowship. All are welcome. Please visit [www.dol.ca/events/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity](http://www.dol.ca/events/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity) for more information.

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**Actual Balance in Building Fund Account at Diocese of London $69,121**

_Thank-you to all of our parishioners for supporting our parishes this past year. Both parishes have ended up in a positive position at year end. Your generosity is greatly appreciated._
Events at a glance....

- **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** - January 21 - 25
- **Community Card Party** - Tuesday, January 22 at 7:15 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** - Thursday, January 24 at 7 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **First Friday Adoration** - Friday, February 1 from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **Blessing of Throats** - February 2 & 3 at all Masses
- **School Mass** - Friday, February 8 at 9:15 am at St. Boniface Church
- **Brother Bob Bake Sale** - February 9/10 weekend at St. Boniface Church
- **World Day of the Sick** - Monday, February 11 - Mass at 11:30 am at St. Boniface Church with lunch to follow
- **Sacrament of the Sick** - Monday, February 11 at 2 pm at the BWRH

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

**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.