Dear Parishioners: God bless us as we mark Labour Day, the turning of our (unofficial) seasons! We bid a fond farewell to all our summer parishioners, while at the same time praying for all our students – those crucial first days at kindergarten, high school or college – and the staff & teachers who will care for them. (Personally, I’m coming back from an excessively medicated & irradiated summer, so I’m happy just to return to the normal swing of things – whatever that means!) Thanks to our parishes’ Social Committee for putting on today’s reception: everything is better with cookies. How’s this for a solidarity move? With our young people returning to school, what about attending our Cheeseburger Theology series, following the Saturday evening Masses on 14th, 21st & 28th of this month? Adult faith development never tasted so good! Join us for a viewing & discussion of a presentation from King’s College Veritas series and the best burgers you’ve ever had (hint: the secret is the beef/pork mixture)! The Slice of Faith youth discussion group will soon begin meeting: I look forward to hearing the issues facing our young people today and together crafting a faith-filled, joyful response! The Lord invites us to break bread with those who cannot repay us – to recognize Jesus in the least of our brothers & sisters: may each one of us find a place – and make a place – each time we are gathered as a family of faith. God bless!  

Fr. Matt

Prayer List
Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family suffering from illness, Reese Thomson, Fr. Martin Nyland, Shirley Bedard, Marie Cyr, Theresa Davies, Carolyn Rau, Nanc Wilkins, Fr. Matt George, Tillie Rau, Barbara Coker and all who minister in hospitals.

The Newly Baptized
Welcome to our parish family Ridge John Vander Burgt, son of Josh & Lacey who was baptized at St. Peter’s Church last weekend.

Confession Times
Please note the new times for Confessions: Tuesdays at 11:30 am at St. Peter’s and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 6:45 pm and the regular Saturday mornings from 8:00 - 8:45 am at St. Boniface.

12 Hour Adoration
There will be 12 Hour Adoration on Friday, September 6 from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm with Holy Hour from 3:00 - 4:00 pm at St. Boniface church. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.

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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2 - 8**

**MONDAY: September 2**
(Vocation Support Prayer: Deacon Arthur Bondy)

**TUESDAY: September 3**
(Rev. Kazimierz Lorencowicz, C.S.M.A.)

St. Peter’s Church
Sacrament of Reconciliation - 11:30 - 11:50 am
11:30 am - Rosary & Devotions to St. Joseph & St. Andre
12:00 pm - Mass
Int. of Donna Kiehl & Family
- Monique & Anthony Hartman & Family
- Int. of Phil & Patty LaPorte - Jeff & Shannon LaPorte

**WEDNESDAY: September 4**
(Rev. Mohanathas Kamalathasan, C.R.)

St. Boniface Church
Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:00 - 6:45 pm
6:25 pm - Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
7:00 pm - Mass
+Rev. John Pluta - Kathryn Regier
+Joel Regier - Steve & Pat Meidinger
+Rev. John Pluta - Michael & Kate Moriarty

**THURSDAY: September 5**
(Rev. Maurice Restivo, C.S.B.)

Bluewater Resthome - 3:30 pm
+Barry Strong - The Strong Family

**FRIDAY: September 6 - First Friday**
(Rev. James Conlon)

St. Boniface Church - 9:15 am
12 Hour Adoration 8 am - 8 pm; Holy Hour 3 - 4 pm
+Darl Rau - John Paul & Barb Rau
+Ed Smith - Tillie Rau
+Gerald Smith - George & Cleo Smith

**SATURDAY: September 7**
(Mr. Daniel Pettipas, Coordinator of Parish Ministries)

St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation - 8:00 - 8:45 am
Int. of Ray & Janice Hartman - Their Children & Grandchildren
+Joe Regier - Helene Malcolm
+Tim Bedour - Steve & Sherri Harrison

St. Peter’s Church - 5:00 pm

**SUNDAY: September 8**
(Elementary School Teachers)

St. Boniface Church - 9:00 am - Mass for the People
St. Peter’s Church - 11:00 am - Mass for the People

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 1, 2019

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Welcome Back!!

May God bless all who are returning to school this fall - students, teachers and staff, and especially the young people who are going away for the first time. May God guide and protect them in the months ahead and help them grow in wisdom and knowledge and love.

Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board

Parents are invited to contact our schools to register their children for Catholic education on the first day of school Tuesday, September 3.

St. Boniface School 519-236-4335
St. Anne’s Catholic Secondary School 519-482-5454

St. Peter’s CWL

Attention Ladies, it’s that time of year again and we hope to see you at our Annual September Potluck Gathering. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th, 2019 @6:30pm Social, 7pm Dinner, St. Peter’s Parish Hall. Come for the first time!! Bring a friend!! We look forward to seeing everyone, returning and new members!! Remember to wear your CWL pin.

Rethink, Reduce, Recycle  Look for the BLUE BOX at the back of St Peter’s church and drop in your used Ink, Toner and Printer Cartridges. When you recycle these items, you save on time, energy and natural resources to make new ones. We will keep track and update you in the fall on how many we recycled properly. Every little bit helps.

In support of “Development & Peace” St Peter’s CWL will be collecting used stamps on their behalf which will in turn help to back their emergence relief efforts. Please drop your envelope of stamps in the collection basket at any Mass marked “CWL”.

Bible Study

Bible study on the Book of John will be starting near the end of September on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am in St. Peter’s Hall. Please contact Martha Mungar 519-236-7321 if you are interested.

A Slice of Faith Pizza & Discussion Group

Youth in Grades 7 - 12 are invited to join Father Matt on Thursday, September 12 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm at St. Boniface Church for our first Youth Discussion Group. Come out and socialize and enjoy a slice or two of pizza!

Children’s Liturgy at St. Boniface Church

We are in need of leaders and helpers to run this program. High school students will receive community service hours for their time helping with this program. If interested please contact Katie at Katie_Mathonia16@hotmail.com.

Cheeseburger Theology Series

Beginning Saturday, September 14 following the 5 pm Mass at St. Peter’s Father Matt will be starting a 3 week Cheeseburger Theology series. Come grow in our faith by watching & discussing King’s College’s Veritas Series videos and enjoy a cheeseburger.

Goderich Ultreya

The Goderich ultreya for September will be on Friday, September 13 at the Knights of Columbus Convention Centre at 390 Parson’s Court in Goderich. It’s a potluck. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Supper at 6 p.m. Please bring your cup, plate and cutlery and smiles. Spread the word. For more info call Eileen at 519-524-9400 or Marie at 519-955-9320.

Planned Giving Session

Income Tax Reduction and Estate Tax Elimination with Ryan Fraser on September 17 at St. Joseph’s Church, Stratford. Registration starts at 1 pm, presentation at 1:30 pm. You will learn how to minimize or even eliminate taxes on your estate; avoid double taxation on your “Red” retirement accounts; bypass paying upfront capital gains taxes when selling your investments; convert assets into an income You can’t Outlive and leave a Lasting Legacy. Save taxes and Leave More to your estate! To reserve a seat, please call Heidi at 519-914-1786 or legacy@dol.ca.

King’s Veritas Lecture Series

The Veritas Series for Faith and Culture endeavors to foster learning and dialogue by gathering our community together, as we seek to live lives of faith and justice. The word veritas comes from the Latin word meaning truth. It is taken directly from the College motto: “Christus est Via, Veritas et Vita” (Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life). The theme of this year’s series, RENEWAL, is drawn from the prophecy of Isaiah. In Isaiah 40:31, the prophet declares, “But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.” In the midst of the many challenges facing our nation and our communities of faith, we will be presented with opportunities to consider and evaluate where we find our hope and our direction for the future. The first talk is titled “The Future of Truth and Reconciliation” and will be presented by Senator Murray Sinclair on September 26 at 7 pm. As always, admission and parking are free, and facilities are wheelchair accessible.

For a complete list of the 2019-2020 Veritas series, please visit https://www.kings.uwo.ca/campus-ministry/veritas-series/
Events at a glance....

- **Summer's End Coffee Social** - Following all Masses August 31 & September 1
- **1st Day of School** - Tuesday, September 3
- **First Friday Adoration** - Friday, September 6 from 8 am - 8 pm at St. Boniface Church with Holy Hour from 3 - 4 pm
- **Finance Meeting** - Wednesday, September 11 at 7:30 pm
- **A Slice of Faith Pizza & Discussion Group** - for youths grades 7 - 12 - September 12 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **Cheeseburger Theology** - Saturday, September 14 following the 5 pm Mass at St. Peter’s
- **Cheeseburger Theology** - Saturday, September 21 following the 5 pm Mass at St. Peter’s
- **Community Card Party** - Tuesday, September 24 at 7:15 pm at St. Boniface Church
- **A Slice of Faith Pizza & Discussion Group** - for youths grades 7 - 12 - September 26 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm at St. Boniface Church

**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 7 to 12 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 on Tuesdays at 11:30 am before the Mass at St. Peter’s or before Mass on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 6:45 pm or 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 St. André - Tuesday at the 11:30 am - St. Peter’s.
Our Mother of Perpetual Help - Wednesday at 6:25 pm - St. Boniface.

Parish Office & School
Contact Information
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519-236-4391
bluewater@dol.ca

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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

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

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