**4th Sunday of Advent - Sunday, December 22, 2013**

In today’s Gospel, Joseph was awoken by an Angel and immediately acceded to God’s request. Even though we live in a culture that loves complexity and busyness, we need times to be still so that we can be awake to the voice of God. In order to be good stewards of time, it is vital to set aside a few moments every day to listen to God. Daily prayer provides an opportunity to discover God’s plan for you and to discern how to use your God given gifts wisely.


**Holy Family - Sunday, December 29, 2013**

Good stewardship demands more trust in God’s powers, and less in our own talents. The Holy Family’s amazing trust in God’s plan for them is a model for all families. Will you trust God’s plan for your family? Pray for the ability to trust that God is always at work, in the lives of each family member, especially those who have fallen away from their faith.


### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF December 23 - 29, 2013

**MONDAY: December 23 - No Mass**  
(We pray for Rev. Michael Ryan)

**TUESDAY: December 24 - Christmas Eve**  
(We pray for Rev. Albert Williams)  
- St. Boniface Church - 5:00 pm - Vigil Mass  
- St. Peter's Church - 7:30 pm - Vigil Mass

**WEDNESDAY: December 25 - Christmas Day**  
- St. Peter's Church - 10:30 am  
- Bluewater Rest Home - 1:00 pm

**THURSDAY: December 26 - No Mass**  
(We Pray for Rev. Stephan Bodnar)

**FRIDAY: December 27 - No Mass**  
(We Pray for Rev. Lawrence Mousseau)

**SATURDAY: December 28**  
(We Pray for Rev. Martin (Sam) Johnson)  
- St. Boniface Church—5:00 pm  
- Sacrament of Reconciliation - 4:15 - 4:45 pm

**SUNDAY: December 29**  
(We Pray for Rev. Raju Allumpurath, M.S.T.)  
- St. Boniface Church—9:00 am  
- St. Peter's Church—10:30 am

### St. Peter's Income and Expenses

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### Christmas Office Hours

The office will be closed between Christmas and New Year’s (December 23 - January 1). The office will reopen on Thursday, January 2 at 8:30 am.

### 12 Hour Adoration

There will be 12 hour Adoration on Friday, January 3 from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm at St. Boniface Church. Please watch for a sign up sheet in the Narthex after Christmas.

### Adult Catechetical Class

Our next Adult Catechetical Class will be on Thursday, January 2 at 7:00 pm at St. Boniface Church. Our topic for the evening will be Scripture and Tradition.
**Prayer List**

*Please remember in your prayers* the members of our parish family suffering from illness, Joyce Waller, Roxanne Rau, Louise Merner, Reese Lensen, Janice Hartman, Steven Wild-Denys, Emily DePaepe, Nicole Brideau, Toni Brand, John LaPorte and Harold Dietrich.

**Prayers & Sympathy**

Prayers and sympathy are extended to the family of Martha Vercouterin, sister of Steve Meidinger, Virginia Denomme, Mary Ducharme & Theresa Regier who died this past week. May she rest in peace.

**New Year's Eve Potluck Dinner, Social and Adoration**

Following our 5 pm Mass on New Year’s Eve (December 31) at St. Boniface Church everyone is invited to a Potluck Dinner and Social (card party). We will ring in the New Year with 2 hours of Adoration from 10 pm - 12 am. Hope to see you there!

**Donations for 2013**

Please have all donations for 2013 into the church office no later than Tues., December 31 at 10:00 am to ensure that your donations are included on your 2013 income tax receipt. Any donations received after 10:00 am on December 31 can only be included on your 2014 income tax receipt.

**Offertory Envelopes for 2014**

Your 2014 offertory envelopes are available for pick up in the entrance of the Church. Those who do not already have offertory envelopes and would like some, or if you would like to make your offertory donations through automatic monthly bank withdrawal please sign the sign-up sheet in the entrance of the Church. Please do not use your 2013 envelopes in 2014 as envelope numbers have changed and your contributions will not be recorded properly.

**St. Anne’s Catholic Secondary School**

Hello and good tidings from St. Anne’s! This past week has been very exciting as we wait in anticipation for Christmas holidays and the coming of Christ. We celebrated a Mary-focused Advent liturgy that was held with Father Chris on Tuesday. In addition to this, a civvies day was held on both Wednesday and Thursday, with students dressing in their finest (or tackiest) green and red Christmas apparel on Thursday. Finally, the entire school community gathered one last time before the Christmas break on Thursday for our Christmas assembly. Carolling, dancing, concert band performances and a hilarious Christmas fashion show-down between student cabinet and St. Anne’s staff got everyone in the Christmas spirit. The staff and students of St. Anne’s CSS wish you and your family a very Blessed Christmas! “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace for those he favours” (Luke 2:14). Ministers of Faith, Alex and Alyssa

The St. Anne’s Mission Trip to India Team wishes to thank you for your support of our Indian Culture Night. Because of you, we raised $15,000 towards our $29,000 goal in helping local youth change the world by building a school in India this July 2014. We look forward to our next big fundraiser, a Family Day Spaghetti Dinner on Feb. 17th at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Goderich!

**Memorial Donations for St. Andre Garden & Christmas Flowers**

Thank-you to everyone who made donations towards the St. Andre Garden & Christmas flowers in memory of the following:

- Louis & Marilee Ayotte - Loretta Ayotte
- Guy Belanger - His sisters Dianne, Kathy & Joan
- Eugene & Irene Cantin - Yvette Ciolek
- Jean-Paul & Bettie-Lou Cantin - Anthony & Monique Hartman & Family
- Napoleon Cantin - Anthony & Monique Hartman & Family
- Anthony & Adeline Denomme - Larry & Debbie Denomme
- John & Bernadette Denomme, Philip C. Denomme & Christopher D. Denomme - James & Diane Denomme
- Matthew & Cody Ducharme - Martha Risi
- David Durand - Marilyn Durand & Family
- Leo Hoffman - Irene Hoffman
- Louis & John Farwell - Cecelia Farwell
- Stephen Zachery Jardine - Michael & Nancy Jardine & Family
- Alphonse & Gary Jeffrey - Yvonne Jeffrey
- For our Family - Tony & Cathy LaPorte
- Noel & Rena LaPorte - Angela Watson & Family
- Noel & Rena LaPorte - Phil & Patty LaPorte
- George & Mary McGuire & John & Katherine Supplat - George & Marg Supplat
- Russell & Dorothy Oesch, Hank Soudant, Audry & Tom Hamill - Ted & Janet Soudant & Family
- Julie O'Rourke - Dave & Ann O'Rourke
- Rose Marie Regier - Allan & Nancy Regier
- In Memory of the Smith & Bedard Families - Gord & Cecilia Smith
- Les Usherwood - Elsie & John
- Paul & Stephen Watson & Adam Morrissey & Angela Watson & Family

**Bishop Fabbro’s Christmas Video Message**

Check out Bishop Fabbro’s Christmas video message on the Diocese of London’s YouTube channel. Go to www.dol.ca and click on the YouTube button in the top right hand corner to be redirected to our page.

**Get Your Raffle Tickets!!!**

Back by popular demand, the St. Andre Healing Garden committee is holding another “Shell Gas Raffle” - Only 300 tickets will be printed! 1st prize - $400 Gas Card; 2nd prize - $200 Gas Card; 3rd prize - $100 Gas Card. Tickets are $10 each, draw will be held January 1! All proceeds go towards the St. Andre Garden. Anyone who has Gas Raffle tickets please return your tickets to Martha Mungar as soon as possible. You can place them in envelope and put them in the collection basket or call Martha at 519-236-7321 to make arrangements for pick up.
Events at a glance.....

• Adult Catechetical Class - Thursday, January 2 at 7 pm at St. Boniface Church

• First Friday & 12 Hour Adoration - Friday, January 3 at St. Boniface Church

• Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Wednesday, January 8 following the 7 pm Mass

Christmas/New Year’s Mass Schedule
Christmas Eve - Tuesday, December 24, 2013
5:00 pm @ St. Boniface   7:30 pm @ St. Peter’s Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25, 2013
10:30 am St. Peter’s   1:00 pm BWRH

New Year’s Eve - Tuesday, December 31, 2013
5:00 pm @ St. Boniface

New Year’s Day - Wednesday, January 1, 2014
10:30 am @ St. Peter’s

Please Support These Local Businesses That Support Our Parish

Pat Bedard Construction
General Carpentry
Renovations - Additions – Home Decks - Siding - Roofing
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

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CHRISTMAS/NYE Mass Schedule

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7:30 pm @ St. Peter’s Church

December 25, 2013
10:30 am St. Peter’s Church
1:00 pm BWRH

December 31, 2013
5:00 pm St. Boniface Church

January 1, 2014
10:30 am St. Peter’s Church
### Parish Organizations

**Parish Advisory Council:** A combined council meets every month 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 both the 9:00 am and 10:30 am masses.

**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.

### St. Boniface and St. Peter’s Churches

#### Weekend Masses

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#### 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)

### 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 before Mass on Saturday 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm 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** - Thursday after the 8:30 am mass - St. Peter’s.
- **Our Lady 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.