Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes

EXETER—GODERICH—GRAND BEND—MT. CARMEL—ST. JOSEPH—ZURICH

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY—CLOSED

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY 8:30 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M.

OFFICE INFORMATION

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WEEKEND MASSES

GODERICH

SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.

GRAND BEND

SUNDAY 8:30 A.M.

ZURICH

SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. SUNDAY 8:30 A.M.

EXETER

SUNDAY 8:30 A.M.

MOUNT CARMEL

SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.

St. Joseph SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.

PRAYER LINE REQUESTS st.p.prayerline@gmail.com

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2020 — OUR LORD, CHRIST THE KING

Good Day!

The pen has been passed to me, Karen Kester. I have been the smiling face at the front desk, the voice on the other end of the telephone as well as the bookkeeper at the Immaculate Heart of Mary and Sacred Heart parish office for the past 12 years. We are working to transition into a new set of roles and responsibilities within the new Family of Parishes where my concentration will be dedicated to sharing in the financial administration of the Family.

I grew up in the small town of Port Lambton located about 30 minutes south of Sarnia along the St. Clair River. secondary education took me to St. Catharines. After graduating, I started my working career in London, Ontario where I met my husband Arnold. We were married at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church over 30 years ago and run a modest cash crop farm near Dashwood where we have raised our three children, a boy and two girls.

I am excited to be a part of the Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes and look forward to meeting and speaking with many of you as we continue our journey to become intentional disciples of Jesus in this mission-oriented Church Family.

Many blessings, Karen

PASTORAL TEAM

PASTOR: REV. ANTOINE (TONY) LAFORET-X-222 ASSOCIATE PASTORS: Rev. MATTHEW GEORGE-X-224 AND Rev. VINCE GULIKERS-X-223 PASTORAL WORKER: LISA MASELLI-X-225

DEACONS: JOHN LAMMERS-X-235, BRIAN McDonald, FRED TRUCHON

PARISH STAFF

BUSINESS MANAGER: JIM VAN LANEN-X-240 OFFICE ADMINISTRATORS: TINA BOUTILIER-X-221 AND JANE LANSBERGEN-X-200 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATORS: KAREN KESTER-X-242 AND LORI LAPORTE-X-241

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear friends in Christ,

This week our Pastoral Team met with 28 couples online on Wednesday and Friday evening, to prepare them for the sacrament of baptism for their child(ren). The sacrament of Baptism reminds us that we belong to Christ and it also means we belong to his Body, the Church. Through baptism, we are brought into the community of faith and so the whole community of faith has a role to play in nurturing the newly baptized. We must remember that the mission of the baptized is to continue the work of Christ as Priest, Prophet and King. As priests, we pray and read scripture as we grow in relationship with God. As prophets, we evangelize and teach the faith to our children. And as King, we are called to model holiness and service to our children and one another.

Due to the COVID restrictions, we are unable to baptize these children during Mass and so these baptisms will be celebrated privately at the entrance of our churches on a Sunday afternoon. Please pray for these couples and their children as we welcome them through the waters of baptism.

This current pandemic has been a huge challenge physically, spiritually and financially for all our families, institutions, organizations as well as, our churches. Therefore, we urge you to give to the church if you are able and we thank everyone who has continued to donate.

Many are asking questions about how the finances will affect this new model called the Family of Parishes. Here are a few details to remember.......Each parish will be responsible for its own expenses and upkeep. Donations made to a parish will be deposited into their own parish bank account. There is NO bank account for the Family of Parishes. (Please DO NOT write cheques to the Family of Parishes, only to your parish). Certain expenses will be shared as a Family of Parishes. These include the priest salaries and living expenses, salaries for the Pastoral Worker and Administration Staff (Secretarial, Bookkeeping, Business Manager) and office expenses and Family-wide program expenses (e.g. Sacramental Prep.).

Next weekend we will begin the Season of Advent, a time of waiting patiently as we prepare for the birth of Jesus at Christmas. Many volunteers such as sacristans, liturgical decorators, ministers of hospitality and musicians will be gathering to prepare for these important seasons. Please find in our bulletin, our Christmas Mass Schedule so you may begin to plan to join us during this time. Instructions about how and when to register for these Mass times will be available in our bulletin and website in two weeks. Thank you for your amazing cooperation and patience during this time of transition. Most of all, we thank you for your prayers.

Please pray for me as I will be on retreat from Monday to Friday.

In faith,

Fr. Tony
Pastor of the Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF November 23 — 29, 2020

MONDAY: November 23

(We pray for Deacon Andre Labrosse)

St. Boniface, Zurich — 9:00 a.m.

Int. of Alice Marchand — St. Boniface C.W.L.

Connie Risi — Joe Risi & Family

TUESDAY: November 24

(We pray for Rev. Hai Hang Hoang, C.S.J.B.)

St. Peter, St. Joseph — 12 p.m. Noon

George Regier — Mark & Dianne Tucker

Madeline Denomme — Mike & Yvonne Hartman

St. Peter, Goderich — 7:00 p.m.

Robert Smith — Janet & Paul Villani

WEDNESDAY: November 25

(We pray for Deacon Michael Horoky)

IHM, Grand Bend — 12 p.m. Noon

D'Arcy Molloy — Helen Molloy

St. Boniface, Zurich — 7:00 p.m.

Rick Masse — Sr. Anne Regier

Vonnie Overholt — Gerard & Mary Ducharme

THURSDAY: November 26

(We pray for Rev. John Staskevicius)

St. Peter, Goderich — 9:00 a.m.

Dec. members of St. Peter's C.W.L. — Goderich C.W.L.

OLMC, Mt. Carmel — 7:00 p.m.

Micky Cronyn — Tony & Mary Conlin

Special Intentions — H.P.C.D. School Board

FRIDAY: November 27

(We pray for Karen Robert: Pastoral Minister)

St. Boniface, Zurich - No Mass

Precious Blood, Exeter — 12 p.m. Noon

Special Intentions — H.P.C.D. School Board

SATURDAY: November 28

(We pray for Deacon $\overline{Paul B}$ ezaire)

St. Peter, Goderich — 9:00 a.m.

Eileen Palmer — The Family

<u>SATURDAY: Nov. 28 — 1st Sunday of Advent</u> St. Boniface, Zurich — 5:00 p.m.

St. Peter, Goderich — 5:00 p.m.

OLMC, Mt. Carmel — 5:00 p.m.

Our Parish Family

SUNDAY: Nov. 29 — 1st Sunday of Advent

IHM, Grand Bend — 8:30 a.m.

Precious Blood, Exeter — 8:30 a.m.

St. Boniface, Zurich — 8:30 a.m.

Our Parish Family

OLMC, Mt. Carmel — 11:00 a.m.

St. Peter, Goderich — 11:00 a.m.

St. Peter, St. Joseph — 11:00 a.m.

Our Parish Family

Confessions following Weekday Masses

Our priests are available to hear confessions following weekday Masses including Saturday morning Mass and by appointment.

Advent Penitential Services: Prepare the Way of the Lord!

The Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes is offering three evenings during the Second Week of Advent (Tuesday, December 8 at St. Peter's Goderich; Wednesday the 9th at St. Boniface, Zurich; Thursday the 10th at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Mt. Carmel) for Confessions before Christmas. Each evening begins at 7 p.m. with a brief Liturgy of the Word, followed by individual Confessions until 9 p.m. Please make use of a Catholic Update Examination of Conscience and a quide for those unfamiliar with the Sacrament to help you prepare. Come, Lord Jesus!

Christmas Flowers & Decorations

We will begin accepting donations from Nov. 21— Dec. 18. Donations are to be put in an envelope labelled "Christmas Flowers & Decorations". For tracking purposes please list all of information on the front of the envelope. Please list the names of your deceased loved ones on the back of the envelope and these names will be posted on our parish website. Envelopes may be placed into the collection basket or delivered to each office site.

Mass Offerings

Going forward all Mass requests will be shared among Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes. We will do our best to offer the Mass intentions at the location you request, but please note this may not always be possible. Masses are \$10.00. To request a Mass please use an envelope labelled "Mass Request". Please place a note inside the envelope with the name of the person you wish to have the Mass celebrated for and the person requesting the Mass. Please indicate whether the Mass is for the deceased or living. Contact the office if you require a Mass card and one will be prepared and left in a designated area for pick-up.

Mailing Address

Have you moved this year? Do we have your correct mailing address on file? If there are any changes that need to be made please contact the parish offices. We want to insure that you receive your 2020 income tax receipt.

Employment Opportunity

A part-time caretaker is needed for Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (approx. 6-8 hours per week). Duties include cleaning, minor repairs and maintenance. If interested, please call the parish offices or email Jim Van Lanen, jvanlanen@dol.ca

Seeking Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to shovel all the walkways around the church and rectory this winter in Goderich. Salting some areas is required. This may be daily depending on snowfall/weather. This would be a great opportunity for students to earn community hours. Please call the office in Goderich for more information (1-877-450-6414).

Website

St. Boniface and St. Peter's (St. Joseph) website will be transitioning to the new Lake Huron Family of Parishes website (<u>LHCFP.DOL.CA</u>) shortly. When using your existing link (<u>bluewater.dol.ca</u>) you will automatically be redirected to the new site.

Adult Faith Development

Here's a Catholic Update on "The Last Things" to help people as we continue in our preaching series during the month of November.

https://liguori.uberflip.com/i/1304743-the-last-things-death-judgement-heaven-and-hell-c9305a/0 Come, Lord Jesus!

Stratford & District Right to Life: Memberships

Please use the membership renewal form on the back page of the Stratford & District Right to Life newsletter, which was mailed out on Nov. Family membership is \$20.00. 17. Cheques payable to: Stratford & District Right to Life. Please follow the instructions as listed on the membership page. Direct questions to Virginia 1-519-393-8400 Miller or virginiamiller16@gmail.com. email Your membership is needed to keep us going in the ongoing Fight for Life.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. Zurich, Exeter & Goderich 6:30 p.m. Mt. Carmel, Grand Bend & St. Joseph 9:00 p.m. Zurich, Exeter & Goderich

Christmas Day

8:30 a.m. Zurich, Exeter & Grand Bend 11:00 a.m. Mt. Carmel, St. Joseph & Goderich

Instructions about how and when to register for these Mass times will be available in our bulletin and website in two weeks.

Dispensation from Sunday Obligation

Bishop Fabbro has extended the dispensation from the Sunday obligation, including the solemnities of the Nativity of the Lord and Mary, Mother of God, until Easter. It seems unlikely that our situation with respect to the COVID-19 pandemic will change in the near future.

Sunday Missal Pick-up Procedures

Missals are **\$5.00**. We ask that you bring the correct amount as we will not have change. Please leave the money in the designated area.

If you know someone who would like a missal, but is unable to pick one up, please make arrangements with them to pick up their copy.

Missals will be available from all offices beginning **Tues.**, **Nov. 10 during office hours.**

<u>Zurich</u>: New Living with Christ Sunday Missals will be available for pick up in the entrance of the Zurich Office (St. Boniface Church, 22 Mary St.).

<u>Goderich</u>: The new Sunday Missals will be available inside the new office entrance door.

<u>Mt. Carmel</u>: The new Sunday Missals will be found on the front porch of the rectory.

New Email Address & Telephone Access

Effective immediately, all email correspondence is to be directed to: lakehuroncatholic@dol.ca

The contact number for the parish offices are: 1-519-236-4191 or 1-877-450-6414.

Huron County Christmas Campaign

The campaign for Exeter and area is being held at Precious Blood Church. This year, only financial donations of cash or cheque will be accepted from Nov. 23 - 27 between 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Your financial donation will help ensure that there will be a Christmas for every child and every family in Huron County.

Blessings: Zurich

As we are not able to do our Christmas Angel Tree this year, we ask that you consider donating new toys, or gift cards directly to Blessings. Gift card suggestions are \$25.00/child and up to \$50.00/ teenagers. Zehrs, Winners, Shoppers or sport outlets are suggested. Food items and money can be donated to the Food Bank. Monetary donations can be dropped off at Blessings or placed in an envelope at church. Please specify it's for Blessings and indicate if it is for the Food Bank or children. Deadline: Dec. 1. Any questions contact, Martha Mungar 519-236-7321.

St. Boniface C.W.L.

Membership Dues Collection for 2021: there will be a mail out to all members this year.

Grand Bend C.W.L.

2021 Membership fees of \$25.00 are now due. Watch your Inbox or your mailbox for your letter and renewal form, coming soon!

We welcome new recruits to join our C.W.L. Council. See www.cwl.ca for information, or contact Organization Chairperson, Maureen Garinther 519-238-2759.

Precious Blood C.W.L.

2021 C.W.L. dues of \$25.00 are now due. Please contact one of the following to arrange delivery of your dues. Teri Pearson, 519-235-1546, Pauline Hogan, 519-235-2853 or Elaine Keller, 519-235-2100.

St. Peter's (St. Joseph) C.W.L.

2021 Membership Renewal Dues of \$25.00 are now due. Forms will be sent to you online. If you have not received yours or have any questions please contact, Elaine Graham 519-238-6262.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel C.W.L.

2021 membership fees of \$25.00 are due by Nov. 30. Please fill out the pink envelope found in your Sunday offering envelope box and drop it into the marked basket set at the entrances of the church.

3 Ways to Donate to Our Family of Parishes

E-Transfers: simply send funds from your account to your parish site: St. Peter's, Goderich stpetersgh@dol.ca

St. Boniface - stboniface@dol.ca

St. Peter's, St. Joseph's - stpeter@dol.ca

IHM - ihmgrandbend@dol.ca

Precious Blood - preciousblood@dol.ca

OLMC - ourladymc@dol.ca

PAD: sign-up and donate from your account. Please contact Lori or Karen for more information:519-236-4191.

Envelopes: during the pandemic you may mail or drop them off in the mail slot at the parish office.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: when making a donation by cheque to your parish, please make it payable to your parish name as at this time, each parish has a separate bank account. Please DO NOT make it payable to Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes. Thank you.

WEEKEND MASS REGISTRATION

Grand Bend, St. Joseph & Zurich (Weekend)

Registration opens Wednesday at 9 a.m., closing when at capacity or noon Fridays, whichever is first. Register each week on the parish website or at https://stpstbav.weebly.com/register.html.

For those with no internet, call the office before Friday noon (519-236-4191 or 1-877-450-6414).

If you have registered for a Mass and later are unable to attend, please notify the office and leave a message so we can reassign your seat.

If we have reached capacity or registration is closed, please drop by the church before Mass as there may be room once those registered have been seated.

Goderich (Weekend)

You MUST register (only once) to attend Mass. Those with email must register at our parish website https://lfcfp.dol.ca Only those without email access may call the office (1-877-450-6414).

Please do not call/email to see if you have a seat. When seating is assigned, you will be emailed or phoned on Friday (8 days prior to the weekend Mass in question). Please note the Mass date. Please respond promptly as it takes significant time to coordinate. If you do not respond by 11 a.m. the next Tuesday, your seat will be reassigned. Note: You CANNOT exchange your assigned seat with another person for a different Mass time/week due to Covid-19 tracing.

Exeter & Mt. Carmel (Weekend)

Please register for Mass by Wednesday at 5 p.m. each week: lakehuroncatholic@dol.ca or call 1-877-450-6414. Indicate: the Mass you wish to attend, your name, the number from your household who will attend and your phone number. You will receive an email notification if you have been assigned a seat.

NOTE: There have recently been changes to Provincial Social Circle Guidelines.

https://www.ontario.ca/page/create-social-circle-during-covid-19

https://www.ontario.ca/page/reopening-ontariostages#section-3

Directives for Attending Mass

For everyone's safety we must adhere to the following directives when attending Mass:

- 1. Please check your temperature and other symptoms before leaving for church such as; an elevated temperature, suffering from cough, sputum production, shortness of breath, undue fatigue, loss of appetite, muscle aching, runny nose, chills involving shakes, loss of taste or smell. Those who feel sick, are expected to stay home.
- 2. As per the Huron-Perth Public Health masks will be required when entering the church.
- 3. You may bring your own container of water from home and have it blessed as we cannot offer holy water in the church.
- 4. Everyone will be seated in the church and due to fire regulations, no one is permitted to stand at the back of the church.
- 5. Due to the need for physical distancing and the 30% capacity restriction, please use the clearly marked designated seating areas. You will be ushered to your seat as you enter the church.
- 6. All our prayers and responses will be recited by the assembly at Mass. The Cantor will sing on behalf of those present.
- 7. Washrooms will be available for emergency purposes only. Please use the washroom at home before attending Mass.
- 8. During Mass, all other areas of the church will not be in use.
- 9. Copies of church bulletins will be emailed or may be found on the parish website. Please forward your email address to your parish office if you wish to subscribe to the on-line bulletin.
- 10. Collection/offertory will be received at the doors of the church as you exit. Thank you for your continued generosity.
- 11. Please arrive well in advance to Mass as we must follow the necessary screening & sanitizing procedures that will take a few moments. Once we have reached maximum capacity in the church, no further people will be allowed entry.

Following Mass, we ask that you to leave the church directly without gathering with other parishioners at the door or in the parking lot .