

**EXETER  
ST. JOSEPH  
MT. CARMEL**



**ZURICH  
GODERICH  
GRAND BEND**

### **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

*Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus*

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2020 — 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Hello everyone!

My name is Lori LaPorte and I have been a very familiar face to the parishioners of St. Boniface and St. Peter (St. Joseph) churches for the last 19 years, where I have enjoyed my position as secretary/bookkeeper. Since becoming a Family of Parishes on September 1, I have assumed my new role as financial administrator for three of our six parishes. I look forward to my new position and meeting a lot of new faces.

As a child, I grew up just north of St. Joseph's where I attended the small French school, Ecole Ste. Marie and with my family we attended St. Peter Church. It is at St. Peter's, where I celebrated all my sacraments, and where I married my wonderful husband, Mark LaPorte, 26 years ago. We have three grown handsome boys, Brandon, Brett and Brady.

Since moving to Zurich over 30 years ago, I have been an active member of St. Boniface Church. I have volunteered as a youth group leader and Eucharistic Minister. I am currently a member of the Transition Team and since reopening our churches, due to Covid, I have been volunteering at our weekend Masses as a Minister of Hospitality screening and seating parishioners.

In my spare time I enjoy golfing, going for long walks, knitting, cooking and baking.

Please keep in me in your prayers, as I become familiar with my new position and I will pray for each and everyone of you, as we work together to become a mission-oriented family of parishes.

Blessings and prayers,  
Lori

### **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

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF  
December 7 — 13, 2020**

**MONDAY: December 7**

*(We pray for Deacon Lyle Lalonge)*

**St. Boniface, Zurich — 9:00 a.m.**

Int. of Katrina Fuzy — St. Boniface C.W.L.

Int. of Steve Fuzy — St. Boniface C.W.L.

**TUESDAY: December 8**

*(We pray for Rev. Bernard Pinsonneault, C.S.B.)*

**St. Peter, St. Joseph — 12 p.m. Noon**

Liv. & dec. mem. of St. Peter C.W.L. — St. Peter C.W.L.

Int. of Lynette Graham — Group Reunion

**St. Peter, Goderich — 7:00 p.m.**

Liturgy of the Word followed by Confessions until 9 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY: December 9**

*(We pray for Colleen Kean: Pastoral Minister)*

**IHM, Grand Bend — 12 p.m. Noon**

Rev. Robert Morrissey — Like & Jean Mommersteeg

**St. Boniface, Zurich — 7:00 p.m.**

Liturgy of the Word followed by Confessions until 9 p.m.

**THURSDAY: December 10**

*(We pray for Christine Coyle: Coordinator of Youth Min.)*

**St. Peter, Goderich — 9:00 a.m.**

Martha Wick — Christa Weber

**OLMC, Mt. Carmel — 7:00 p.m.**

Liturgy of the Word followed by Confessions until 9 p.m.

**FRIDAY: December 11**

*(We pray for Rev. Steve Wlusek)*

**St. Boniface, Zurich — No Mass**

**Precious Blood, Exeter — No Mass**

**SATURDAY: December 12**

*(We pray for Suzanne Walton: Pastoral Minister)*

**St. Peter, Goderich — 9:00 a.m.**

Yvonne "Bunny" Degroot — Jim & Patricia Martin

**SATURDAY: Dec. 12 — 3rd Sunday of Advent**

**St. Boniface, Zurich — 5:00 p.m.**

**St. Peter, Goderich — 5:00 p.m.**

**OLMC, Mt. Carmel — 5:00 p.m.**

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**SUNDAY: Dec. 13 — 3rd Sunday of Advent**

**IHM, Grand Bend — 8:30 a.m.**

**Precious Blood, Exeter — 8:30 a.m.**

**St. Boniface, Zurich — 8:30 a.m.**

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**OLMC, Mt. Carmel — 11:00 a.m.**

**St. Peter, Goderich — 11:00 a.m.**

**St. Peter, St. Joseph — 11:00 a.m.**

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**\*\* December Notations \*\***

There will be NO MASSES celebrated this Friday, Dec. 11.

Goderich office CLOSED on Friday, Dec. 11.

The offices will be CLOSED between Christmas & New Year's

A two week bulletin will be published at Christmas.

**Christmas & New Year's 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

***New Year's Eve***

5:00 p.m. Exeter, Zurich & Goderich

***New Year's Day***

10:00 a.m. Grand Bend, Mt. Carmel & St. Joseph

An insert will be mailed out with the process instructing how to register to attend the Masses above.

**Christmas — Volunteers Needed**

We are looking for some technical help for our Christmas Masses. Where we have room for overflow, we would like to have a video and audio feed. We would like a person(s) to help set it up and run/monitor it during the Masses at the following locations; Immaculate Heart of Mary - 2 Masses, St. Peter, Goderich - 3 Masses, Precious Blood - 3 Masses and St. Boniface - 3 Masses. If you are not familiar with this, we will show you how. Just be somewhat comfortable with technology. It is a great opportunity to share your talents! Please contact the parish office if you are willing to help or email lakehuroncatholic@dol.ca

**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. All 3 priests will be in attendance each evening. Please make use of a *Catholic Update* [Examination of Conscience](#) and a [guide](#) for those unfamiliar with the Sacrament to help you prepare. Come, Lord Jesus!

## **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.

## **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).

## **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](mailto:jvanlanen@dol.ca)

## **Examination of Conscience**

<https://d2y1pz2y630308.cloudfront.net/20719/documents/2020/12/Examination%20for%20Confession.pdf>

## **Confessions following Weekday Masses**

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

## **Registration Process for ALL Churches**

Mass registration for all churches will now be done on-line. Please visit our parish website: [www.lhcfp.dol.ca](http://www.lhcfp.dol.ca) to register to attend weekend Masses. Registrations begin Tuesdays at 9 a.m. to Thursdays at noon. *It is first come, first serve.* Once seating is full, registrations will no longer be permitted. If you do not have internet access, please ask a friend or family member to register you to attend weekend Mass. Please see more detailed information under "Mass Registrations" further in the bulletin.

## **Christmas Flowers & Decorations**

We will be accepting donations until Dec. 18. Donations are to be put in an envelope labelled "*Christmas Flowers & Decorations*". For tracking purposes please list all of YOUR 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.

## **Lighting and Blessing of the Outdoor Crèche**

Wed., Dec. 9, 7:00 pm. outside St. Peter Church, Goderich, front entrance. The Knights of Columbus invite families to join them in a celebration to signify the birth of the Light of the World. There will be prayers, blessing of the crèche and lighting of candles. Please bring canned food items that we will donate to St. Vincent de Paul. Everyone welcome!

## **Bulletin Announcements**

Please email bulletin announcements to: [lakehuroncatholic@dol.ca](mailto:lakehuroncatholic@dol.ca) by Wednesdays at noon. We ask that bulletin announcements remain brief and concise.

## **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.

## Donating to your Parish

Thank-you to all our parishioners who generously donated this past year. As we approach the New Year, we are preparing our preauthorized donations records. This method of donation helps in the mission of the parish and with our budgeting. If you would like to make changes to your pre-authorized donations or would like to sign up for the coming year please contact, Lori LaPorte (x-241) or Karen Kester (x-242) for more information. We continue to accept E-transfers; (see the bulletin for the correct email addresses) .

## 2021 Offertory Envelopes

We received the 2021 offertory envelopes. Due to Covid, we are working on distribution logistics and hope to have that figured out soon. More information to follow...

## Becoming Disciples

Becoming Intentional/Missionary Disciples: No doubt you have heard or read how Bishop Fabbro has challenged our Church to "move from maintenance to mission", to begin thinking of ourselves as missionary disciples. The following summary of Sherry Weddell's book: "Forming Intentional Disciples" is an excellent introduction to the whole idea, besides being an insightful help to understanding where each one of us is on our own journey of discipleship! <https://osvnews.com/2014/08/06/5-steps-to-becoming-an-intentional-disciple/>

## Bereavement Group

Grieving through the Holidays/Seasons of Hope: Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes is pleased to offer a 6-week (1 before Christmas, 5 in the new year) small group for anyone grieving the death of a loved one. Please contact [mgeorge@dol.ca](mailto:mgeorge@dol.ca) with your preferred day and time. If we can gather together safely we will, but virtual/online attendance is also encouraged. Come, Lord, be light in our darkness.

## K. of C. News

An Invitation to all the Men in the Grand Bend area. Since 1882, membership in the Knights of Columbus has been open to men 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics in union with the Holy See. I have been approached, as the District Deputy for the area and asked to investigate whether there is enough interest to form a Knights of Columbus Council at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend. The requirement of the Order is that a Council must have 30 members to obtain a charter. For more information contact, District Deputy Jim De Zorzi at 519-243-1683 or email [district68@execulink.com](mailto:district68@execulink.com)

**\*\* All 2021 C.WL. Membership fees of \$25.00 are now due. \*\***

Please refer to previous bulletins for details.

## Question from your Pastor

**I ask you to imagine..... what would a fully active Family of Parishes look like, feel like and sound like?**

Please email your response to our Pastor: [tlaforet@dol.ca](mailto:tlaforet@dol.ca)

## WEEKEND MASS REGISTRATIONS FOR ALL CHURCHES

Registration opens Tuesdays at 9 a.m., closing when at capacity or noon Thursdays, whichever is first.

Register each week on the parish website: [www.lhcfp.dol.ca](http://www.lhcfp.dol.ca) For those with no internet, we ask that you request assistance from a friend or family member.

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. (1-877-450-6414).

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.

**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-ontario-stages#section-3>

### 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](mailto:stpetersgh@dol.ca)

St. Boniface - [stboniface@dol.ca](mailto:stboniface@dol.ca)

St. Peter's, St. Joseph's - [stpeter@dol.ca](mailto:stpeter@dol.ca)

IHM - [ihmgrandbend@dol.ca](mailto:ihmgrandbend@dol.ca)

Precious Blood - [preciousblood@dol.ca](mailto:preciousblood@dol.ca)

OLMC - [ourladymc@dol.ca](mailto:ourladymc@dol.ca)

*PAD:* sign-up and donate from your account. Please contact Lori or Karen for more information: 519-236-4191 or toll free 1-877-450-6414.

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

**PLEASE NOTE:** 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.

## 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 .