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LAKE HURON
CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

ZURICH
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MT. CARMEL

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY—CLOSED

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

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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, FEBRUARY 14, 2021 — 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From the Pastor's Desk

The Gospel joy which enlivens the community of disciples is a missionary joy. The seventy-two disciples felt it as they returned from their mission (cf. Lk 19:17). Jesus felt it when they rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and praised the Father for revealing himself to the poor and the little ones (cf. Lk 10:21). It was felt by the first converts who marveled to hear the apostles preaching "in the language of each" (Acts 2:6) on the day of Pentecost. This joy is a sign that the Gospel has been proclaimed and is bearing fruit. Yet the drive to go forth and give, to go out from ourselves, to keep pressing forward in our sowing of the good seed, remains ever present. The Lord says, "Let us go on to the next towns that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out" (Mk 1:38). (Pope Francis, Apostolic Exhortation Joy of the Gospel – 21.)

My dear friends in Christ, we heard these same words from Mark's Gospel last Sunday. Since everyone is searching for Him, Jesus reminds His apostles and each of us that we are to go on to the next town or next person and preach the Gospel so that they will know and feel the joy of the Gospel. Remember the joy we experienced when we sang, "They'll know we are Christians by our love"? Indeed, they will know we are disciples of Christ by our love! This is the work of evangelization; to take the love of Christ to others and to share this great joy with the entire world.

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

This is the vision of our Family of Parishes to be a mission-oriented church that forms disciples of Jesus. This is the future of the church in which we are called to grow and breathe new life into the world. But in order to be these disciples, we must first experience and understand this missionary joy ourselves. Therefore, in cooperation with the Huron-Perth Catholic Schools, we are inviting all parishioners to learn more about our call to be a mission-oriented church that feels the power of the Holy Spirit and knows the joy of the Gospel. Please, come and join for a six week study on Pope Francis's Apostolic Exhortation called "The Joy of the Gospel" (Evangelii Gaudium). Please email Lisa at lmaseilli@dol.ca and tell her which evening (or Saturday morning) you are available to attend this study.

The Joy of the Gospel is a simple guide or handbook about the spreading Gospel. The love of Jesus, which is intended to overflow in us, sends us out to our neighborhood—the next town or person—to the entire world so that we might delight in sharing with one another the joy of salvation we find in Jesus!

This week, we begin celebrating the season of Lent. Our Mass on Ash Wednesday will be live streamed at 9:30 a.m. with all our schools joining us and a second live streamed Mass at 7 p.m. Throughout this season of Lent, we are called to the practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Almsgiving is not only an opportunity to share our wealth and resources with the poor, but to learn about how we can live our lives in solidarity with the poor just as Jesus did. Therefore, we invite you to visit our Parish website weekly or visit the Development and Peace website daily to learn through the work and education of Development and Peace, how we can live in solidarity with the poor. The poor in the Global South and the poor among us can teach us much about God's great abundance and how we can live a life of simplicity.

In addition, we will provide our parishioners with an opportunity to pray with us during a live streaming of the Stations of the Cross each week on Friday at 3 p.m. For those who are unable to join us at 3 p.m. each Friday, you will find a recording on our website of the Stations of the Cross to pray at any time throughout Lent.

May you have blessed and prayerful season of Lent,

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

Office Notation

The office will be honouring the Family Day Stat. holiday on Tues., Feb. 16 and will not be replying to any telephone or email messages.

Housing Needed!

A member of our parish family is in need of permanent housing; a single mom with three young children. She has exhausted all efforts to find accommodation through the usual agencies and is in desperate need of our help. If anyone knows of an apartment or small house which might suit this family's needs, please call the Parish Office or email Fr. Tony at tlaforet@dol.ca.

Remember Matthew 25 : 40. "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
February 15 — 21, 2021**

MONDAY: February 15

(We pray for Rev. Philip Joseph)

Wayne Sheardown — Jo-Ann & Family
Rick Masse — Clarence & Joan Regier
Vonnie Overholt — Gerard & Rosemary Ducharme

TUESDAY: February 16

(We pray for Rev. Clare Colman)

Patrick Mihm — Elaine Mihm
Marjorie Meidinger — Phil & Patty LaPorte
Rev. Paul Mooney & dec. fam. mem. — Estate

ASH WEDNESDAY: February 17

In Thanksgiving — Peter & Bonnie Regier
Rev. Robert Morrissey — Rose & Jerry Vanbruaene
Tania Johnson-Crawford — Paul & Sally Johnson

THURSDAY: February 18

(We pray for Deacon Jose Viveiras)

Kay Sharp — Joe & Joyce Essery
Int. of Theresa Parsons — Peter & Mary Angela Rutten
Beatrice, Emile, & Irene Masschelein — John & Cecile

FRIDAY: February 19

(We pray for Rev. Ross Bartley)

Joel Regier — Peter & Bonnie Regier
Heather Cronin — Mary Lou Denomme
Ray & Grace Ducharme — Mary Ellen Ducharme & Family

SATURDAY: February 20

(We pray for Rev. Mark Poulin)

Raphael Spaleta — Bridget Van Osch
Frank Omahen — Tony & Bernice Omahen
John Van Rooy — Family

SAT.: Feb. 20 — 1st Sunday of Lent

St. Boniface, Zurich — 5:00 p.m.

St. Peter, Goderich — 5:00 p.m.

OLMC, Mt. Carmel — 5:00 p.m.

Our Family of Parishes

SUN.: Feb. 21 — 1st Sunday of Lent

IHM, Grand Bend — 8:30 a.m.

Precious Blood, Exeter — 8:30 a.m.

St. Boniface, Zurich — 8:30 a.m.

Our Family of Parishes

OLMC, Mt. Carmel — 11:00 a.m.

St. Peter, Goderich — 11:00 a.m.

St. Peter, St. Joseph — 11:00 a.m.

Our Family of Parishes

Share Love, Share Lent

In his recent encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis calls upon us to live the love that would make us “one great family, where all of us can feel at home”; a love that “exudes compassion and dignity.” (*Fratelli Tutti*, 62.) With the entire human family suffering from COVID-19, the *Share Lent* campaign invites us to share love and express solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South, whose vulnerabilities are being exacerbated by the pandemic. Remembering the inherent dignity of all human beings, let us heed the Pope’s reminder that “justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized each day.” (*Fratelli Tutti*, 11.) Families or individuals are invited to explore an aspect of Development and Peace - Caritas Canada through prayer, action and fundraising and to participate in a virtual event through the [Solidarity Calendar](#).

For more information on Development and Peace - Caritas Canada, please go to www.devp.org.

Study During Lent

Lent is the perfect time to renew our commitment to grow in faith. It is a time to reflect on the richness of our faith which includes the wonderful papal documents written by our Holy Father, Pope Francis. Therefore, the Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes invites you to a 6 week study on *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel). This Apostolic Exhortation encourages us to recognize the need to evangelize with joy the hope that Christ’s message brings to our world. Please email Lisa Maselli at lmase@dol.ca to register and indicate to her which evening or if Saturday morning is the best time for you to participate in this study.

Ash Wednesday

With the uncertainty of a date when our churches will re-open, our Ash Wednesday Masses will be live streamed at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.



Lenten Information



Please visit the parish website to see Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 3 p.m..

2020 Income Tax Receipts

Your 2020 income tax receipt will be mailed out via Canada Post by the end of February.

What does the future of the church look like?

Can you envision **what a fully active Family of Parishes would look like, feel like and sound like?** Please email your response to our Pastor: tlaforet@dol.ca

Please visit our website at: <https://www.lhcfp.dol.ca/>

Jesu Ashram Live Event

Mark your calendars for Wed., March 10 at 7 .p.m. when Fr. Julius Kujur (director of Jesu Ashram) will give us a live video presentation from India. Jesu Ashram (founded by Br. Bob Mittelholtz SJ of Zurich) serves the poor with medical assistance and education in Darjeeling State. Please register by sending an email to Fr. Matt at lakehuroncatholic@dol.ca Please enter "Jesu Ashram" in the subject line. See you then!

<https://d2y1pz2y630308.cloudfront.net/20719/documents/2021/2/Jesu%20Ashram.pdf>

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

Our Website

We encourage you to visit our parish website on a regular basis as more information may be found on the website that may not appear in the bulletin.

<https://www.lhcfp.dol.ca/>

4 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 - ihtmgrandbend@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: 1-877-450-6414.

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

Pllenty: Donate with your credit card via our Pllenty link at the parish website under **DONATE**.

<https://lhcfp.dol.ca/donate>

Diocese of London

For the most current information we urge to visit the diocesan website: <https://www.dol.ca/>

Re-opening of Churches

Look for more information on our website next week as to when our churches will be able to re-open and the directives we must follow. We may re-open on Feb. 20/21: the First Sunday of Lent.

Retrouvaille London – Upcoming Weekend

London/ St Thomas Retrouvaille is hoping to have an in-person weekend in London, that will adhere to the appropriate government mandated COVID-19 protocols, from April 9 to Sunday, April 11. Couples must register at www.retrouvaillelondon.com as space is limited and confidentiality is assured. For more information, a PDF flyer at this [link](#).

CCCB Video Series for Lent

Given the positive feedback the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops received about the video series *Journey through Advent*, they are releasing a new series for Lent 2021. Beginning on Ash Wednesday (February 17), *Journey through Lent* will offer an introduction to the Season and reflections on Gospel readings of each Sunday in Lent. The short videos will be posted on the CCCB website. Each Monday, the link for the upcoming Sunday celebration will be released in [English](#) and in [French](#). The CCCB would like to thank Bishop Gerard Bergie and Archbishop Marcel Damphousse for their generosity in preparing and recording these spiritual and pastoral reflections.

Marriage Preparation

Marriage Preparation – Catholic Family of Parishes in Norfolk

Marriage Preparation Course on March 26 and 27 by Zoom. Coordinated by Mike and Pat Fiddler, it's open to all couples planning for marriage. Register by phoning the parish office at 519-582-1312 and ask for Barb Balog.

Marriage Preparation – Bruce Tallman
This course is available any time, to any couple via Zoom. For more info. email btallman@rogers.com or call 519-433-0981. More info. is available at this [link](#).
Marriage Preparation – Catholic Engaged Encounter
Virtual Marriage Preparation Weekends in 2021 will be offered for couples in Ontario on June 11-13. The cost is \$150.00. Engaged couples can view the CEE program website and register at this [link](#). Additional weekend added: May 14-16.

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: <https://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 reassess 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. The links below provide detailed directions in your region.

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

Huron-Perth County

<https://www.hpph.ca/en/news/coronavirus-covid19-update.aspx>

Middlesex County

<https://www.healthunit.com/covid-19-response-framework>

Lambton County

<https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/>

Archived Link

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/reopening-ontario-stages#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 .