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MT. CARMEL

PRECIOUS BLOOD
200 SANDERS ST. W.
EXETER

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.

Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022 — 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

The Story of the Prodigal Son, The Story of the Prodigal's Brother, The Story of the Compassionate Father; it all depends on which angle you wish to look at it.

We all love this story. It is probably the most famous of Jesus' parables. Fr. Henry Nouwen has written a book on this parable as he was living with the Larche' community. It is a great read.

The compassion of the Father is what strikes me. He waits and waits knowing the son will one day return. He is vigilant in his watching. He is constant in His love for his sons even though one misuses the Father's love in squandering what the Father offers him and the other does not know the Father's love thinking himself as a slave of the father's commands.

When the prodigal returns, he has rehearsed what he is going to say to the Father to reconcile himself to the Father. In watching what happens in the exchange we can learn much about God's love for us.

On meeting there is an embrace. The son is given time to say what needs to be said. "I am sorry". On hearing the confession, the Father lavishes his bounty upon the lost son. The best robe, a restored ring, probably a good bath, all to make the son feel he is welcomed home and reconciled.

Note that the Father allows the son to confess before lavishing him with a renewed inheritance. God the Father gives us time also to confess. Without it we can come to a conclusion that the Father has no honor for himself. The Father actually honors the son in letting him have his say.

We can learn a great lesson from this very short dialogue in how to honor those whom we have sinned against and those who have sinned against us.

The words 'I forgive you' are powerful words. They never communicate 'all is as if nothing has happened'. They communicate, 'What you have done hurt deeply', and they communicate 'I set you free'. We ourselves are never free until we give freedom to those whom we need to forgive.

Fr. Vince Gulikers

PASTORAL TEAM

PASTOR: REV. ANTOINE (TONY) LAFORET-X-222
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PASTORAL MINISTER: ERIKA EAGLESHAM-X-225
DEACON: 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
March 29 — April 2, 2022

TUESDAY: March 29

(We pray for Rev. Pierre Wood, O.F.M. Cap.)

+St. Peter, St. Joseph: Stations — 11:30 a.m.

St. Peter, St. Joseph: Mass — 12:00 p.m.

Int. of Dikovic Family — Sonja Stevens

Draga & Branko Kirin & Family — Branka Topolovec

Albena Bedard — Estate

St. Peter, Goderich: Mass — 7:00 p.m.

Int. of John Paul Rau — Monday Night Prayer Group

Jim Shanahan — 4th Degree St. Columban K. of C.

+Stations — 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: March 30

(We pray for Rev. Donald Pumptis)

+Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Stations — 9:15 a.m.

+IHM, Grand Bend: Stations — 11:30 a.m.

IHM, Grand Bend: Mass — 12:00 p.m.

Brent Johnson — Brenda DeJong & Family

Arnold VandenBoomen — Luke & Jean Mommersteeg

Rev. Matthew George — IHM C.W.L.

St. Boniface, Zurich: Mass — 7:00 p.m.

Matthew Denomme — Mary Lou Denomme

Int. of Margaret Tugwell — St. Boniface C.W.L.

Int. of Clare & Mary Faye Regier — Sr. Mary Regier

THURSDAY: March 31 — * Offices Closed p.m. *

(We pray for Rev. Danny Santos)

St. Peter, Goderich: Mass — 9:15 a.m.

Brianna Marie Latimer — Mary Ellen Brindley

Tom Franken — Jim & Patricia Martin

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Mass — 9:15 a.m.

William Charles McCoy — Tony & Jane Lansbergen

Int. of Anna Tran — Family

Mary Clare Dietrich — Hazel Glavin

FRIDAY: April 1

(We pray for Rev. Hoand Nguyen, O.F.M. Cap.)

St. Boniface, Zurich — 9:15 a.m.

Lottie Grenier — Estate

Ray Hartman — George & Margaret Suplat

Rev. Matthew George — Pat & Steve Meidinger

+Stations of the Cross — 9:45 a.m.

+Precious Blood, Exeter: Stations — 12:15 p.m.

Precious Blood, Exeter: Mass — 12:45 p.m.

Tom Lynett — Mary Pavkeje

Stephen Dietrich — Estate

SATURDAY: April 2

(We pray for Deacon Andrew Alway)

St. Peter, Goderich: Mass — 9:15 a.m.

Naomi Jean Lycett — Brenda Lycett

Peter McCauley — Family

Prayers for the Deceased

Please pray for those who have died,
Mike Hartman (Mt. Carmel)

Sacramental Information



Baptism: Please contact Erika Eaglesham at eeaglesham@dol.ca if you wish to have your child baptized.

Baptisms are now being scheduled following Sunday Mass. Please contact Erika to register. Our next Baptismal Prep. is scheduled for **April 6 at 7 p.m.**


First Communion: Parents with children in Grade 2 who missed our *Parents Formation Night* please contact Erika at eeaglesham@dol.ca

Confirmation: Our Confirmation candidates have completed the 'Alpha Youth' series and have resumed their online preparation.

Marriage: please contact Fr. Vince Gulikers one year in advance: vgulikers@dol.ca

RCIA: Thursday, March 31 at 7 p.m. Topic: The Eucharist: Source and Summit of Christian Life. Please contact Erika Eaglesham at eeaglesham@dol.ca

Volunteers Needed

 We are inviting parishioners to please consider offering some of your time and talent to your parish community. All of our parishes have openings for new volunteers. Your involvement would benefit your community and yourself. Here are a few opportunities to consider: Minister of Hospitality, Lector (reader), Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Musician, Cantor, Collection Counter, Sacristan and Altar Servers. Wherever your talents take you, we can help to make that a possibility. Is God calling you to share your time and talents? Please contact the parish office at 877-450-6414 or email lakehuroncatholic@dol.ca

Ministers of Hospitality

During this pandemic, we have been very fortunate to have greeters who ensured that parishioners were well received and advised us to keep safe during our time in the parish. We are very grateful for their efforts and dedication during this pandemic. Therefore, as we open up our churches, we hope to form these volunteers and others into a Ministry of Hospitality. These Ministers of Hospitality will help to create an open, welcoming, and inviting environment for everyone who comes to Mass in-person and online. We want to ensure that from the moment people pull into the parking lot until the moment they leave they feel welcomed and connected. If you are interested in serving your parish in this particular ministry, then please join us on Saturday, April 2 at St. Boniface Parish Hall in Zurich from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. This workshop may also be a Zoom event. Please contact the parish office at 877-450-6414 or email lakehuroncatholic@dol.ca

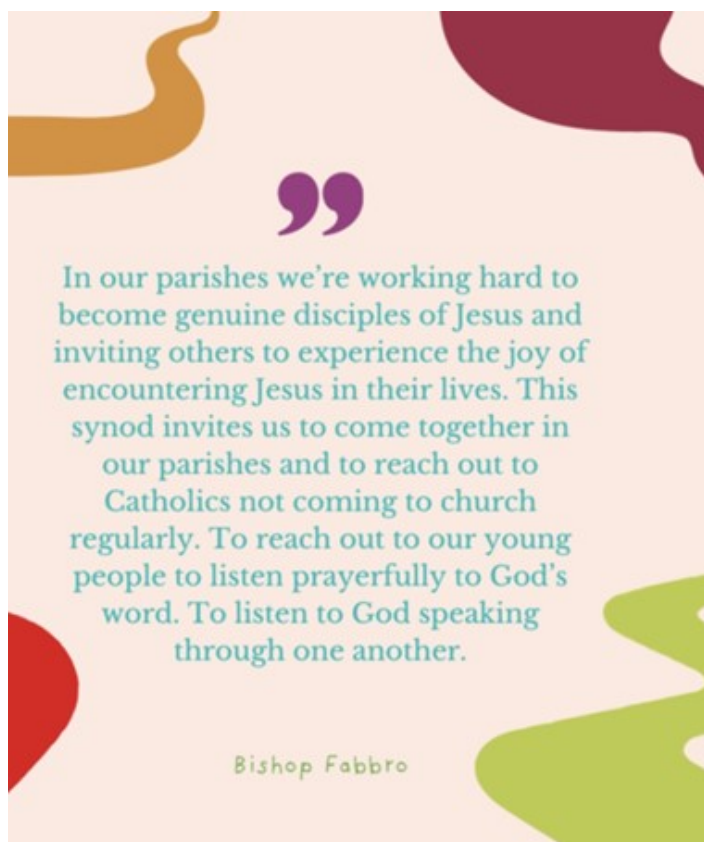
Synod News



Bishop Fabbro in his statement below truly encourages us to invite those who are no longer coming to church regularly to attend one of the Synod sessions. Unfortunately, some may be uncomfortable coming to a session. Please refer the individual(s) to our website and the link to the “self guided individual reflection”. We as a part of our sharing may also express what we perceive as a universal concern. Please refer to our parish website for dates and times. There are still paper based sign-up sheets at the entrances of each church in our Family of Parishes.

What a wonderful opportunity we are being given to share our hopes and dreams for the future of the Catholic Church!

May the Holy Spirit guide us on this journey!
Mark, Dianne, Sean and Brenda



Office Notation



The parish offices will be closing at noon this Thursday, March 31 for an off site meeting.

Mt. Carmel office will be closed all day.

Our Lenten Journey

Lenten Adoration

St. Joseph: Tuesday, March 29 10:30—11:30 a.m.

Lenten Confession Times (Includes Adoration)

Tuesday, March 29

St Peter, St. Joseph 4-5 p.m. & 6-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 30

St Boniface, Zurich 2-4 p.m., 5:30- 6:45 p.m.
7:30 -8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 6

St Peter, Goderich 12-4 p.m. & 6-8 p.m.
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend 1-4 p.m.

Friday, April 8

Precious Blood, Exeter 1:30-4:00 p.m.
OLMC, Mount Carmel 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 14 — Mass 7:00 p.m.

St. Boniface, Zurich
St. Peter, Goderich
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend

Good Friday, April 15 — Service 11:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel
St. Peter, St. Joseph
St. Peter, Goderich

Good Friday, April 15 — Service 3:00 p.m.

St. Peter, Goderich
St. Boniface, Zurich
Precious Blood, Exeter
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend

Saturday, April 16—Easter Vigil— Mass 8:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel
St. Boniface, Zurich
St. Peter, Goderich

Easter Sunday, April 17— Mass 8:30 a.m.

Precious Blood, Exeter
St. Boniface, Zurich
St. Peter, St. Joseph
*Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend (9:00 a.m.)

Easter Sunday, April 17— Mass 11:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel
St. Peter, St. Joseph
St. Peter, Goderich

4 Ways to Donate to Our Family of Parishes

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

St. Boniface - stboniface@dol.ca

St. Peter, St. Joseph - 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 Laporte-x-241 or Karen Kester-x-242: 1-877-450-6414 or email: lhcfp@dol.ca for more information.

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>



Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor. [Deuteronomy 15:7-8](#)

Mother Teresa Faith Action Award

The Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board is excited to host the 17th annual St. Teresa of Calcutta Faith in Action Award, which recognizes exemplary service to Catholic education. The nominees for this award represent all stakeholder groups in Huron-Perth Catholic - employees, parent/caregiver/family volunteers, priests, and parishioners. Please consider nominating a leader from your Family of Parishes for the 2022 St. Teresa of Calcutta Faith in Action Award. The electronic nomination form can be found on our Board website by going to the 'Our Board' tab, then to 'Faith in Action Awards'. The nomination form can also be found and shared using the link below: [2022 St. Teresa of Calcutta Faith in Action Award Nomination Form](#)

The nomination deadline is **Friday, April 8, 2022.**

The award recipients will be recognized during Catholic Education Week at the CEW Mass and Celebration on Monday, May 2.

Family Faith Fun Kits – Lent & Holy Week Edition:

Registration for the Lenten edition of Family Faith Fun Kits will be available at this [site](#).

Missio

The January-February issue of *Missio* was published earlier this week. It focuses on the Synod with articles by Fr. Paul Baillargeon, Linda Staudt and Julian Paparella as well as additional article about the early days of the Catholic Women's League in the Diocese by Archivist Debra Majer. You can read the issue at this [link](#).

Churches Open for Prayer

Beginning Friday, April 1, St. Peter, Goderich, St. Boniface, Zurich and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel churches will be open for prayer. These churches will be open for prayer during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. There may be occasions where the church is not open due to staffing availability.

Knights of Columbus Council 8480

Council 8480 (Mt. Carmel and Exeter) has ceased operation ever since the 2019 year when they could not replace some of their key officers. As District Deputy, Jim De Zorzi, has been asked to organize a meeting of all members of Council 8480 to look at 5 options that State had suggested as a way to reactivate this Council's membership. The meeting will be held at Precious Blood Church, Exeter at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 6 and I urge you to attend and be a part of the solution.

C.W.L. News

St. Peter, Goderich: General Members Meeting on Wed., Mar. 30/22 at 7 p.m. over zoom. The results of the vote on the P & P changes and Huron Hospice donation will be announced.

IHM: C.W.L.s from all of our Family of Parishes will be sponsoring a Lenten Food Drive on Sundays, April 3 & 10. Please place food donations into the boxes at the entrances of each Church. If your wish to make a cash donation, please put it in an envelope marked "Food Drive" and deposit it into the regular collection basket. Thank you for your generosity to those in need.

Development and Peace



Standing up to corporate power in Honduras

The *People and Planet First* campaign is about helping communities stand up to corporate power. In Honduras, as in much of the Global South, corporations often threaten and criminalize activists who speak up against their abuses. The Lenca Indigenous leader Víctor Vásquez was imprisoned for fighting the corporate takeover of his people's ancestral territory. Development and Peace's partner, the Honduran Centre for the Promotion of Community Development (CEHPRODEC), helped free him from jail. Another partner, Caritas Cholteca, trains and accompanies community leaders in advocating for policies that respect human rights and the environment. Recently, they got mayoral election candidates to undertake to declare the municipality of Orocuina a mining-free zone if elected. Read more about these people's victories in our Mini-magazine at devp.org/lent/resources