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WEEKEND MASSES

GODERICH
SATURDAY 5:00PM
SUNDAY 9:00AM

MOUNT CARMEL
SUNDAY 11:00AM

GRAND BEND
SATURDAY—5:00PM
SUNDAY 9:00AM

ZURICH
SUNDAY 8:30AM

EXETER
SUNDAY 11:00AM

ST. JOSEPH
SATURDAY 5:00PM
SUNDAY 11:30AM

Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus

SUNDAY, AUG 6, 2023—TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
SUNDAY, AUG 13, 2023—19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY, AUG 20TH—20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY, AUG 27TH—21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A—TWO WEEK BULLETIN

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This Sunday, we celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord! It is here on the mountain where Jesus reveals Himself in all His glory!

I wish we could reveal to you what the future of our Family of Parishes will look like one day in all its glory! In the meantime, we continue this transformation of our Family of Parishes one step at a time. We thank God that we have an amazing Parish Staff already in place, but our team is missing at least one component or member. We have been searching for a Pastoral Minister or even a Youth Minister for more than a year now. Certainly, parish volunteers (leaders) could fulfill this role, but as of yet, only a handful of people have stepped forward to offer their assistance in a particular ministry. For this, we are very grateful!

Therefore, we wish to encourage a member of our Family of Parishes to learn about the skills needed in ministry by offering a bursary. The bursary would provide funds for the opportunity for someone to study online or at St. Peter's Seminary. It may be possible that the bursary could be also used to assist a young man to study for the priesthood as well. As a great start to this endeavor, a Parishioner has already offered \$500 for this new bursary. Thank you! If you wish to contribute to this new bursary, please contact Lori Laporte or place an envelope in the collection marked, BURSARY.

Secondly, we have had a few inquiries regarding RCIA which creates an opportunity for volunteers to help prepare and journey with those who wish to become members of the Catholic faith. Please contact your pastor, Fr. Tony at tlaforet@dol.ca if you are interested in this exciting call to help others!

Finally, summer means vacation time for many people, which includes our staff, who will be away during parts of the month of August. Please pray for our staff members, including Lori Laporte and Fr. Vince, who will be away during the first week of August, Jim Van Lanen, who will be away during the second week of August, Fr. Steve, who will be away the second and third week of August, Rachael McDonald, who will be away the third week of August, and myself, who will be on retreat from August 24th to 31st.

Congratulations to Brenda De Jong of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Grand Bend who will be 100 years young on August 27th! She is celebrating with friends and family that day in the Parish Hall at 2 pm. Drop by and wish her a Happy Birthday! Many prayers and blessings to you, Brenda!

Fr. Antoine (Tony) Laforet
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
August 6th - 12th, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
August 13th - 19th, 2023

Nursing Home Masses

Tue, Aug 08, 2023		Tue, Aug 15, 2023	
Huronview Home for the Aged, Clinton		Exeter Villa, Exeter	
10:30am—Communion Service		10:30am—Mass	Doreen Dietrich Estate

St. Peter, St. Joseph

Tue, Aug 08, 2023		Tue, Aug 15, 2023	
11am—Adoration & Confession 12pm—Mass	Ivan Ljuba and Petav Toplovec Int. Dikovic Family George Fisher Int. of Pat & Evelyn Regier	Jane, Sonja & Family Branka & Family Francis & Doreen Hartman Francis & Doreen Hartman	Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)

St. Boniface, Zurich

Wed, Aug 09, 2023		Wed, Aug 16, 2023	
11:30am—Adoration & Confessions 12:30pm—Mass	Int. of Kathryn Regier A Special Intention Int. of Barbara Holman Int. of Marg Suplat George Suplat Virginia Denomme	Pat Langford Gord & Cecilia Smith Clare & Mary Faye Regier Kathryn Regier Margaret Suplat Dick & Barb Rau	11:30am—Adoration & Confessions 12:30pm—Mass A Special Intention Int. of Paul Ducharme Joan Ducharme Peter Bedard Sr. Theresa Regier Tim Inwards
			John & Mary Jacobs Kathryn Regier Mary Lou Denomme Tillie Rau Doug & Audrey Meidinger Anne Ball

St. Peter, Goderich

Wed, Aug 09, 2023		Wed, Aug 16, 2023	
8am—Adoration 9:15am—Mass	Father Rymer Martin White	Margaretha Meier Suzette White	Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)
Thu, Aug 10, 2023		Thu, Aug 17, 2023	
12pm—Mass	Rick Quesnel Catherine Marie LaPorte	Joe & Joyce Essery Barb Rau	Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)
Fri, Aug 11, 2023		Fri, Aug 18, 2023	
11am—Adoration & Confession 12:15pm—Mass	Carol Wilson Sean Rankin	Family Judy Tigert	Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)
Sat, Aug 12, 2023		Sat, Aug 19, 2023	
9am—Mass 9:30am Adoration & Confession	In Thanksgiving Anita Morgan	Kay Lynch A Friend	Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend

Wed, Aug 09, 2023		Wed, Aug 16, 2023	
Cancelled (Fr. Vince on Vacation this week)		9:15am—Mass	Int. of Pat & Elaine Jeffrey Simon Swart Int. of Fr. Graham Keep
			Jerry & Rose Vanbruaene Luke & Jean Mommersteeg Dianne & Mark Tucker
Fri, Aug 11, 2023		Fri, Aug 18, 2023	
Cancelled (Fr. Vince on Vacation this week)		9:15am—Mass 9:45am—Adoration & Confession	Mary Murphy Cathy Evans LaPorte
			Andy & Cathy Vrolyk Dianne & Mark Tucker

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel

Thu, Aug 10, 2023		Thu, Aug 17, 2023	
Cancelled (Fr. Vince on Vacation this week)		9:15am—Mass	Int. of Betty Siddall
Sat, Aug 12, 2023		Sat, Aug 19, 2023	
Cancelled (Fr. Vince on Vacation this week)		9:15am—Mass 9:45am—Adoration & Confession	Souls in Purgatory Helen Glavin

Precious Blood, Exeter

Fri, Aug 11, 2023		Fri, Aug 18, 2023	
12:45pm—Mass 1:15pm—Confession	Doug Finkbeiner Harry Winters	Tony & Pam DeJong Rita Winters	12:45pm—Mass 1:15pm—Confession Ed Mittelholtz Martha Overholt
			Cecilia Mittelholz Ron & Marlene Moore

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
August 20th - 26th, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
August 27th - September 2nd, 2023

Nursing Home Masses

Tue, Aug 22, 2023			Tue, Aug 29, 2023		
10:30am—Mass	Huronview Home for the Aged, Clinton Doreen Dietrich	Estate			No Mass

St. Peter, St. Joseph

Tue, Aug 22, 2023			Tue, Aug 29, 2023		
Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation)			11am—Adoration & Confession	Albena Bedard	Estate
			12pm—Mass	Int of Tony LaPorte	Kathryn Regier
				Int of Elaine & Pat Jeffrey	Jo Ann & Ken Ducharme
			Sat, Sep 02, 2023		
			2pm—Wedding	Patrick Gaffney and Sasha Ross	

St. Boniface, Zurich

Wed, Aug 23, 2023			Wed, Aug 30, 2023		
11:30am—Adoration & Confessions	Int. of Catherine Masse	Kathryn Regier	Cancelled (Fr. Tony on Retreat)		
12:30pm—Mass	Louis Masse	Doug & Julie Debus			
	Monica Bedard	Clarence & Joan Regier			
	Kevin McKinnon	Phil & Linda Regier			
	William Smith	Estate			
	George Fisher	Grant & Erin Fisher & Family			

St. Peter, Goderich

Wed, Aug 23, 2023			Wed, Aug 30, 2023		
Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)			8am—Adoration	Karen Wade	Rose Shanahan
			9:15am—Mass	Neil Hamilton	St. Peter Cemetery Board
Thu, Aug 24, 2023			Thu, Aug 31, 2023		
Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)			12pm—Mass	Father Pluta & Father Loback	Margaretha Meier
				Kay Sharp	Barb Eedy
Fri, Aug 25, 2023			Fri, Sep 01, 2023		
Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)			11am—Adoration & Confession	John Paul Rau	Monday Night Prayer Group
			12:15pm—Mass	A Special Intention	Brenda Teichert
Sat, Aug 26, 2023			Sat, Sep 02, 2023		
Cancelled (Fr. Steve on Vacation this week)			9am—Mass	Joseph Riley	Suzette White
			9:30am Adoration & Confession	John Paul Larocque	Gerry & Rosemary Landriault

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend

Wed, Aug 23, 2023			Wed, Aug 30, 2023		
9:15am—Mass	Gerald Schiller	The Strong Family	9:15am—Mass	Ron Garinther	Maureen Garinther
	Doug Finkbeiner	Jerry & Rose Vanbruaene		Florence Anne Xerri	Immaculate Heart of Mary CWL
Fri, Aug 25, 2023			Fri, Sep 01, 2023		
9:15am—Mass	Angela Kuntz	Maureen Garinther	9:15am—Mass	Int. of Fr. Steve Marsh	Dianne & Mark Tucker
9:45am—Adoration & Confession	Int. of Fr. Tony Laforet	Dianne & Mark Tucker	9:45am—Adoration & Confession	Int. of Emmy & Ranie Gallant	Maureen Garinther & John Adams

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel

Thu, Aug 24, 2023			Thu, Aug 31, 2023		
9:15am—Mass	Pat Glavin	Helen Glavin	9:15am—Mass	Mike Hartman	Leah Bowen
	Tim Glavin	Helen Glavin			
Sat, Aug 26, 2023			Sat, Sep 02, 2023		
9:15am—Mass	Int. of the Lansbergen Family		9:15am—Mass	Int. of the Hope Family	Theresa Hope
9:45am—Adoration & Confession			9:45am—Adoration & Confession		

Precious Blood, Exeter

Fri, Aug 25, 2023			Fri, Sep 01, 2023		
Cancelled (Fr. Tony on Retreat)			12:45pm—Mass	Frank Pius Regier	Lynn Bonany
			1:15pm—Confession	Harold Lewis	Fred & Barb Truchon

We are working to improve this section of the bulletin, to add clarity and flow, your feedback matters as well as your patience, thank you!

Monthly Bulletin

Due to summer holidays this year, this is a monthly bulletin for August. The next bi-weekly bulletin will be published for the weeks of **September 3rd and 10th**. Please have bulletin news to Rachael McDonald, **by noon on Tuesday, August 29th** ~ thank you!

Sacramental Information

Baptism

Please contact **Fr. Tony** at tlaforet@dol.ca if you wish to have your child baptized. Baptisms are now being celebrated during Saturday and Sunday Masses. The next Baptismal Prep. class will be **Wednesday, September 6th, at 6:30pm in Zurich**.

Confirmation 2023

Our Confirmation Team met this week and we will have dates and details in the next bulletin for Part 1 of the upcoming **grade 8 students** Confirmation Classes.

Part 2 of Confirmation Classes will begin **for grade 9's this Fall**. Both parts 1 and 2 are necessary for students to be Confirmed. The first part, Alpha for Youth, is now complete. The second part of the Confirmation Program will commence in September, and parents will be contacted when this process is ready to begin by the email address they provided in their registration.

Marriage

Please contact **Fr. Vince** at **least one year in advance**:

vgulikers@dol.ca

Family of Parishes Retreat

Plans are underway for a Family of Parishes retreat on Sunday, October 1st at 3:00pm which will end after Mass with breakfast Tuesday, October 3rd. The cost will be \$300 for single occupancy or \$495 for double occupancy. The price includes accommodations and meals.

If you require/wish more information please email Brenda Teichert at brendateichert@hotmail.com or call 519-440-6616.

Registrations will be accepted by Brenda at the email above or by Martha Mungar at mkmungar@hay.net.

Please include your name, address and telephone number. A "deposit" is required by Oxley but will be requested at a later date. There is a limited amount of space.

Youth & Family Masses

August 27th at St. Boniface Church, 8:30am. Please contact Kristyn if you're interested in volunteering (reading, singing, hospitality, etc.)

kristynegli@gmail.com



Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar Please Keep In Your Prayers

T 8-Aug-2023 Deacon Morgan Treacy
W 9-Aug-2023 Ms. Katharine Marsh, Pastoral Minister
T 10-Aug-2023 Rev. Thomas Blondin
F 11-Aug-2023 Rev. Lawrence (Larry) Brunet
S 12-Aug-2023 Deacon Alex Litt

T 15-Aug-2023 Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
W 16-Aug-2023 Rev. William Capitano
T 17-Aug-2023 Mrs. Val Walter, Pastoral Minister
F 18-Aug-2023 *R.C.I.A. Teams in the Diocese of London*
S 19-Aug-2023 Mrs. Catherinanne George, Campus Minister

T 22-Aug-2023 *Nursing Home Volunteers in the Diocese of London*
W 23-Aug-2023 Rev. Terence Runstedler
T 24-Aug-2023 Deacon Leonard Tetreault
F 25-Aug-2023 Deacon Gerard Van Schyndel
S 26-Aug-2023 Deacon Chris Masterson

T 29-Aug-2023 Rev. Frank Murphy
W 30-Aug-2023 Rev. Thomas Donohue
T 31-Aug-2023 Rev. Paul Rennick, C.S.B.

The St. Joseph & Area Historical Society

Invites you to their annual Breakfast in the Park at
St. Joseph on Saturday August 19 from 8:00 - 11:00.
Free will donation.

World Youth Day

The Diocese has over 30 pilgrims who are celebrating World Youth Day with millions of Catholics in Portugal. Please, keep all of our pilgrims in your prayers this week for a safe trip & pilgrimage. Also, please pray that the Holy Spirit will move in their lives and hearts & bring this gift of faith to their Churches back home. [Click here](#) for a photo.

Retrouvaille Weekend

Retrouvaille London will be hosting a Retrouvaille Marriage Weekend on **August 11 - 13, 2023**. More information about Retrouvaille is at www.dol.ca/retrouvaille.

For more on Retrouvaille in London, St. Thomas and Windsor: Retrouvaille has helped troubled marriages for over 44 years. We CAN help your marriage. No Group Sharing guaranteed. HelpOurMarriage.org Greg and Anita 519-243-0687.

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REV. VINCE GULIKERS
EXT-223



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REV. STEVE MARSH
EXT-226

Family of Parishes Updates and Events

Lake Huron Family Catechism

Bring the whole family to learn more about their faith at these bi-weekly classes. The Family Foundation Institute has spent many years developing these courses where parents can collaborate as the first educators of their families, working together to teach their children while also getting catechized themselves. These classes are much beloved by many, and have been a wonderful source of connecting Catholic families together and developing firm foundations in their faith. Now the Family Catechism is coming to the Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes!

Classes will begin in September and families will meet bi-weekly. If your family is interested in joining or helping out, contact Tammy at t.taylorbendig@outlook.com for more information. The location is to be determined, based on which families are interested.

Horizons of Hope

Our Canadian Bishops Response to Medical Assistance In Dying. MAID. We are in a critical time now, as the government has set laws around dying. There is increasing pressure from the Health System in pushing people to consider assisted suicide. We must consider the issues around dying. In this series we will consider **palliative care from different angles: ethical, medical, emotional, and spiritual.** We will also consider **what we as a faith community can do to help** ourselves and others to walk in their dying; embracing them in our love and the love of God.

Our sessions will be hosted at: **Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend.** The remaining dates are **August 8th and 15th.** We look forward to seeing you there: **6:30pm until 8:30pm.**

- **Aug 8** Module 3

Accompanying those at the end of life

- **Aug 15** Module 4

Supporting and integrating structures within our community

View the Canadian Bishops response to MAID:

[Some Principles to Consider ...](#)

[Anointing of the Sick ...](#)

[Catholic Funerals in view of Euthanasia or Assisted Suicide ...](#)

St. Augustine Cemetery Service

Sunday August 13th, 2023 @ 2pm

At 84413 St. Augustine Line, Auburn, ON

Annual Cemetery Sunday in Mount Carmel

Sunday October 1st, 2023 @ noon

At Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

St. Vincent de Paul, Goderich

We are currently in need of the following items: Canned vegetables, Canned fruit, Cookies, Granola bars, Pancake syrup/mix, Hamburger Helper, Back to school snacks. Cash donations are always welcome. Donations can be placed in the basket at the back of **St. Peter, Goderich.** Thank you for your continued generosity.

Connect Watch Discuss

Explore life, faith, and God in a relaxed, low pressure environment.

**You're invited
to try Alpha**

Alpha

Alpha provides a space to ask all your questions about life, faith, and meaning in a friendly environment with people who like you, want to explore.

Each Alpha session includes a meal, a short video, time to connect, and plenty of time to discuss.

Join us for Alpha!

Starting **Thursday, September 14th**
6pm in Goderich, for 11 sessions plus
Retreat Day on Saturday, Oct. 28th

To register and/or volunteer, contact
Rachael McDonald at:
905-699-5447 or by email at
rachaelannemcdonald@gmail.com

Volunteer Opportunity - RCIA

This is a great opportunity for volunteers to teach and walk with new Catholics through the RCIA process. Please contact Fr. Tony 1-877-450-6414 ext. 222 or email: tlaforet@dol.ca.

Opening for Musicians in Goderich

Donna Archambault is retiring from leading the 5pm Saturday evening Mass choir! If you are interested, or know anyone who is, please contact the office at 1-877-450-6414.

Share your Talents Musicians!

Opening for Musicians at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend and Precious Blood, Exeter. Please contact Fr. Tony 1-877-450-6414 ext. 222 or email: tlaforet@dol.ca.

Do you love to Decorate?

Do you have a creative flare? Decorators, please contact Fr. Tony by email at tlaforet@dol.ca.

Becoming a Faithful Disciple

The Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes is hosting a discipleship conference called "Becoming a Faithful Disciple" with David Wells from England on **Saturday, September 23, 2023**. The event will take place from 8:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Spirit & Life Centre (St. Joseph Church Hall) in Chatham. This event is open to all parish staff and parishioners are welcome. Limited seating is available. The event is free but donations to the conference, which includes lunch, are welcome. More information and registration is at this link: <https://revjj.ca/david-wells/> and on a downloadable poster at this [link](#).

CWL Parish Events

St. Peter, Goderich CWL:

Celtic Breakfast: Everyone is invited! **Sun., Aug. 13, after 9 am** Mass in the church hall. Enjoy a delicious breakfast of scrambled eggs, ham, sausages, baked beans, pancakes, toast, coffee, tea and juice! \$10 per adult, \$5 per child 12 and under. Pay at the door.

Saugeen First Nation Annual Competition Pow-Wow: Sat., Aug. 12 and Sun., Aug. 13. James Mason Memorial Culture & Recreation Centre, 47 French Bay Road, Southampton. Grand Entry is Saturday at 1 pm sharp and at 7 pm; and on Sunday at 12 noon. Go to this link for more details: visitsouthampton.ca/events/saugeen-annualcompetition-pow-wow/53060

Ladies' Luncheon & Fashion Show: Wed., Sept. 27, KofC Centre. Ladies, this is a major fundraiser and we need all the help we can get! To volunteer, call Evy McDonagh 519.524.6069. For tickets, call Evie Shand 519.524.2017.

Fashion Show Boutique Donations: Women's clothing, purses, jewellery and footwear will be accepted on Wednesdays, between 12 noon and 2:30 pm, on the following dates at the Columbus Centre - **Aug. 23 & 30, Sept. 6 and 13**. Gift basket donations and donations of food product for the luncheon are requested and will be gratefully accepted during boutique hours.

St. Peter, St. Joseph CWL:

All CWL Members: If you haven't picked up your raffle ticket booklets yet, they are available at the back of the church with your name on them. This is one of our major fundraising opportunities and we need everyone's help to make it a huge success. GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON! **Draw date will be Sunday, September 3, 2023 after the 11:30am Mass.** **Anyone interested in purchasing a Raffle ticket(s),** please see any of our members or contact Carrie Van Osch crvanosch@gmail.com. \$2.00 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00.

Bake Sale & Coffee Sunday - Sunday, August 13, 2023 following the 11:30am Mass. Drop off your baked goods that Sunday beginning at 11:00am or before Saturday Mass beginning at 4:30pm.

Potluck Dinner & General Meeting: Ladies, please join us **Tuesday, September 12, 2023** in the Parish Hall. Social begins at 6:00pm. All are welcome.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Grand Bend CWL: Dates and reminders:

- ◇ **August 5 (Saturday) August 6 (Sunday)** Masses will be attended by CWL ladies promoting our annual bake sale before and after Mass (free will offering).
- ◇ CWL members will be selling raffle tickets before and after Masses. A list of prizes is shown in your church.
- ◇ **August 27 (Sunday)** - Coffee after the 9am Mass in the Father Beck Auditorium - Group "C" is on duty.
- ◇ CWL - Monthly meeting on **Tuesday September 5, 12 noon**. This is a pot luck lunch. Group "C" is on duty. Service pins are being presented after our general meeting.

Immaculate Heart of Mary will be sponsoring an "end of summer and back to school" food drive from **August 19th to September 10th**. Please remember snack and lunch items for the children returning to school. If cottagers are clearing out their cupboards before returning home, consider donating the non-perishable food items to the food drive. There will be a box available at the entrance to the church to receive your donated items. If you wish to make a financial donation, there will also be a container available near the food collection box. Any cheques should be made payable to "Blessings Food Bank". Thank you for helping to replenish the food bank's supplies!

Precious Blood Church, Exeter CWL:

Precious Blood CWL invites members and women of the parish to our next General Meeting on **Tuesday Sept 12 @ 7 pm**. We would love for you to join us!

Precious Blood CWL continues to collect Hansen's Independent grocery receipts. Please place them into the wooden box on the table in the church entrance. Your trash is our treasure as they give us a percentage of the subtotal back which we use for community outreach. Thank you in advance!

Vocation Myth Busters for Parents

Common Myths about Priesthood: A Guide for Parents. Year after year, in surveys of newly ordained priests, over half report that their families opposed the idea of priesthood when they first expressed interest. Undoubtedly, parents want the best for their children. So, what about priesthood does not fit parents' vision of "the good life"? Let's look at five common myths about the seminary and priesthood. *There are 5 myth busters, each bulletin will have a new one.*

MYTH #2 "CELIBACY IS IMPOSSIBLE." For couples who enjoy a healthy sexual relationship, it can be difficult to image their son choosing "life without a wife." Society would have us believe that celibacy is impossible, or at the very least, unreasonable. The truth is that sexual love is indeed one of God's greatest natural gifts, but that thousands of saints have experienced tremendous joy living the supernatural vocation of celibacy. Today's seminaries offer superb formation in how to live celibately with peace and joy.

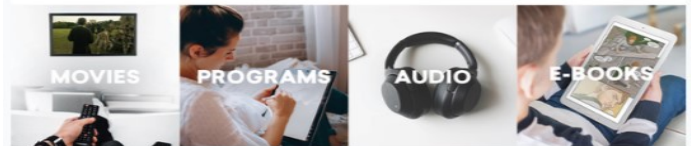
THE IDEAL PARENT The ideal Catholic parent understands a simple truth: that God desires your child's happiness even more than you do! If your son experiences a genuine call from the Lord to pursue the priesthood, trust in God's love for your son! From the earliest years, make it clear to your children that God has a plan for them. Read them Bible stories of Jesus calling his disciples. Engage in open conversations about your children's hopes and dreams. Make sure that they understand the various vocations to marriage, priesthood, and religious life. Above all, teach them how to pray and serve others. If your child does express an interest in priesthood, be supportive. Fr. Brett Brannen, in the book *To Save a Thousand Souls*, described the ideal parent as one who is at peace with God's will.

If you have any questions, please email Fr. Danny at: vocations@dol.ca.

With Special Thanks!

A big thank you to Pauline Insley for representing Mount Carmel over the past number of years on the Finance Committee. Her resignation gives someone else the opportunity to share their gifts with the parish and Family of Parishes community. If you have some background in finance or running a business and are interested in knowing more please contact the office or email: jvanlanen@dol.ca

FORMED



All parishioners of the Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes have access to FORMED! FORMED provides the very best Catholic content to help families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. There are thousands of movies, children's programs, e-books, audio, parish programs and studies direct to your browser, mobile or connected device. Registration is easy and there is no cost to you. Directions to register are found on our website at: lakehuroncatholic.ca/formed

There is so much on the site we know it may be a bit overwhelming, so why not start with *"This Week on Formed"* which gives a few seasonal suggestions. Formed is an enjoyable way to grow in your faith. Why not give it a try!

Office Notice Re: Cheques & E-Transfers

Please ensure that all cheques are made payable to your parish and NOT to Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes. For e-transfers please use the email address for your parish found below, under "4 Ways to Donate to Our Family of Parishes". **Please be sure to include your first and last name as well as your email address in the notes section of e-transfer.** This is important for tax receipt purposes. Mass stipends follow the same rules as donations. Thank you for your time and consideration.

4 Ways to Donate to Our Family of Parishes

E-Transfers: 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: contact the office for a box of offertory envelopes.

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

DONATE. lakehuroncatholic.ca/donate

Did you know there can be tax advantages when donating shares? Find out more [here](#). If you would like to donate shares to your parish please contact Lori or Karen. Please consider your parish in your Estate planning.

Financial Overview

Period Ending
Friday, June 30, 2023



St Peter, Goderich

	June 2023	2023 YTD	Budget YTD	PrvYTD (2022)*
Operating Receipts	\$19,337	\$118,648	\$116,380	\$101,983
Operating Expenses	\$25,707	\$134,090	\$119,680	\$123,643
Surplus (Loss)	(\$6,370)	(\$15,442)	(\$3,300)	(\$21,661)

Immaculate Heart of Mary

	June 2023	2023 YTD	Budget YTD	PrvYTD (2022)*
Operating Receipts	\$14,013	\$63,621	\$47,680	\$47,300
Operating Expenses	\$9,324	\$49,139	\$47,830	\$50,396
Surplus (Loss)	\$4,689	\$14,482	(\$150)	(\$3,096)

Precious Blood

	June 2023	2023 YTD	Budget YTD	PrvYTD (2022)*
Operating Receipts	\$5,948	\$53,520	\$57,250	\$53,848
Operating Expenses	\$9,777	\$63,650	\$62,220	\$62,822
Surplus (Loss)	(\$3,829)	(\$10,130)	(\$4,970)	(\$8,974)

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

	June 2023	2023 YTD	Budget YTD	PrvYTD (2022)*
Operating Receipts	\$6,639	\$52,428	\$51,120	\$47,782
Operating Expenses	\$10,603	\$55,529	\$54,970	\$60,647
Surplus (Loss)	(\$3,964)	(\$3,101)	(\$3,850)	(\$12,864)

St. Peter, St. Joseph

	June 2023	2023 YTD	Budget YTD	PrvYTD (2022)*
Operating Receipts	\$10,710	\$53,624	\$44,670	\$54,901
Operating Expenses	\$11,003	\$47,231	\$42,560	\$52,736
Surplus (Loss)	(\$292)	\$6,393	\$2,110	\$2,165

St Boniface

	June 2023	2023 YTD	Budget YTD	PrvYTD (2022)*
Operating Receipts	\$9,200	\$83,307	\$61,770	\$81,061
Operating Expenses	\$13,972	\$77,667	\$68,450	\$85,665
Surplus (Loss)	(\$4,772)	\$5,640	(\$6,680)	(\$4,604)

Lake Huron Family of Parishes

	June 2023	2023 YTD	Budget YTD	PrvYTD (2022)*
Operating Receipts	\$65,848	\$425,149	\$378,870	\$386,875
Operating Expenses	\$80,386	\$427,307	\$395,710	\$435,909
Surplus (Loss)	(\$14,538)	(\$2,158)	(\$16,840)	(\$49,034)

PrvYTD is for Comparison over last year.

* 2022 has effects of Covid shutdowns & subsidies

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Father Antoine (Tony) Laforet and your Finance Committee members.

YTD = Year to Date

Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes Finance Committee Members

St. Peter, Goderich - Paul Scholten
St. Boniface - Ted Soudant
St. Peter, St. Joseph - Michael Jardine
Recording Secretary- Benda Teichert
Pastor - Fr. Antoine (Tony) Laforet

Immaculate Heart of Mary - Jim Karry
Our Lady of Mount Carmel - Open
Precious Blood - Jake Sweeny
Business Manager - Jim Van Lanen

Shared Expenses(shared staff salaries, office expenses etc.) split as follows as of 1 Jan 2023)

St. Peter, Goderich - 29%
St. Boniface - 16%
St. Peter, St. Joseph - 10%
Immaculate Heart of Mary - 13%
Our Lady of Mount Carmel - 15%
Precious Blood - 16%

Based on Parish Donations (Sunday Offering, Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving)

Commentary

June includes 3 pay periods for Bi Weekly paid staff. (typically 2)

- >Utility Bills, ALL Natural Gas were higher than expected, cost increases of ~ 50% higher than last year.
- >St Peter Goderich Large in and out YTD Share Lent at \$9,100, / \$6,600 more than budgeted, Thank you.
Diocesan assessment adjustment catchup of \$1K (large in out out donations inflate Receipts and Expenses)
~ \$1,300 expense/refurbishing Sacred Vessels, all covered by generous donation from parishoner.
- >Precious Blood. ~ \$4,700 expense/refurbishing Sacred Vessels & tabernacle all covered by generous donation from parishioner.
- > St. Boniface. Blessed by some large onetime donations into Operations YTD ~\$15,000
Expensesinclude some larger in and outs I.E. Jesuit+Aplha .



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