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"Welcome to our Family of Parishes! Whether you're a long-time parishioner, a visitor, or new to our community, may you feel at home here and know the joy of being part of God's family - a place of prayer, hope, and belonging."

## WEEKLY YEAR C BULLETIN

6 parishes, one family in Christ. United in spirit and strengthened by community.

OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup>  
27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



**First Reading:** Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4  
**Psalm:** 95  
**Second Reading:** 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14  
**Gospel:** Luke 17:5-10

**SUNDAY MASS**

- St. Peter, Goderich  
Saturday 5pm | Sunday 9am
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mt. Carmel  
Sunday 11:15am
- Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend  
Saturday 5pm | Sunday 9am
- St. Boniface, Zurich  
Sunday 8:30am
- Precious Blood, Exeter  
Sunday 11am
- St. Peter, St. Joseph  
Saturday 5pm | Sunday 11:30am



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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C – October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

James Tissot, *The Exhortation to the Apostles* (from *The Life of Our Lord Jesus Christ* series). Brooklyn Museum. Public Domain. Image via Wikimedia Commons.

In this Sunday's Gospel (Luke 17:5–10), the apostles plead with Jesus, "Increase our faith!" Jesus responds that even faith the size of a mustard seed can accomplish the impossible. He goes on to remind them that discipleship is not about earning rewards but about faithfully living in humble service. Our faith, however small, is powerful when it is rooted in trust in God, not in our own efforts.

The first reading from Habakkuk (1:2–3; 2:2–4) echoes this theme. The prophet cries out in the face of violence and injustice, asking God why He delays. God's reply is clear: "The righteous shall live by his faith." Even in times of trial, we are called to wait, to trust, and to remain faithful.

Together, these readings invite us to see faith not as a possession we control but as a gift we live out. A little faith, offered with humility, can open our hearts to God's power and transform our daily service into something that bears eternal fruit.

## Prayer

Lord Jesus, You teach us that even the smallest seed of faith can move mountains. Strengthen our trust in You, and help us serve with humility and love. May our daily lives be rooted in faith that grows in Your presence. Amen.

## For Reflection

1. When have I experienced the "mustard seed" faith in my own life?
2. Do I see my service to God and others as a duty, or as a grateful response to His love?
3. How is God inviting me to trust Him more deeply in areas where I feel impatient or discouraged?

## Sunday Seeds



In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples that even if their faith is as small as a mustard seed, it can do great things!

God doesn't ask us to have huge faith all at once—He asks us to trust Him a little bit each day. When we listen to Jesus and try to live with kindness, love, and patience, our small faith grows stronger and stronger.

Try this... This week, think of one small way you can show your faith in Jesus—maybe by saying a prayer before bed, helping at home without being asked, or sharing with a friend. Remember, even little acts of love can make a big difference!

## Upcoming Parish Events

For more visit our website at [LakeHuronCatholic.ca](http://LakeHuronCatholic.ca)

- **First Reconciliation:** Registration is open. [For more information and to register, click here.](#)
- **Common Plate:** *every Tuesday* at Precious Blood, Exeter 5:30pm to 7:00pm.
- **Alpha is normally on Mondays**, at 5:30pm, St. Peter Church, St. Joseph. Please Email [brwest@tcc.on.ca](mailto:brwest@tcc.on.ca) or call 519 673 - 9299 for more information. **\*\*\* the week of Thanksgiving Alpha will be held on Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. \*\*\***
- **Leadership Team Meeting:** Wednesday, **October 8**, 7pm.
- **Pizza, Prayer & Planning:** An Invitation to Youth Night: evening to connect - **October 10**, 6pm, St. Boniface, Zurich.
- **Office is Closed:** Tuesday, October 14, in lieu of Stat. Holiday.



- **RCIA** - Begins Wednesday, **October 15**, 6:30pm, St. Boniface, Zurich
- **The A.P. Mahoney Library at St. Peter's Seminary 13th Annual Library Lecture:** Wednesday, **October 15**, 7:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Seminary. [See poster for details.](#)
  - [Last year's lecture is at this link.](#)
- **Baptism Prep. Class:** Thursday, **October 16**, at 6:30pm, St. Boniface Church in Zurich.
- **Fall Harvest Lunch & Bazaar:** St. Peter Church Hall Goderich, Saturday, **October 18**, 11am to 2pm. All are Welcome! [See Poster for details.](#)
- Saturday **5pm Mass - Seasonal Switches** begin on **October 18th and will be as follows:**
  - St. Peter, Goderich
  - Precious Blood, Exeter
  - St. Boniface, Zurich

## Bulletin Update

As you may recall, we moved from a biweekly bulletin to a weekly bulletin over the summer. This new format and schedule will continue for the time being.

### We chose this approach for a few reasons:

- To align more closely with the Sunday Liturgy
- To better balance events, liturgical content, and parish life
- To improve consistency while working within time constraints

### Deadlines for submissions:

**Weekly bulletin:** content is due *every Monday by end of day for the following week.*

**Monthly newsletter:** the *last Sunday of each month begins the newsletter for the upcoming month.*

For example, the last Sunday of September was September 28th. We went to print on Friday the 26th, so the content deadline was Monday the 22nd (EOD) for the month of October.

The monthly newsletter means a little more planning ahead for all of us. However, that is also to our benefit. Especially in these busy days and times.

### November Newsletter Deadline for Content is **October 20<sup>th</sup> EOD (end of day)**

This is earlier than normal due to where the last Sunday falls in October. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we make adjustments to align with the mission and vision of the Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes. And as always, thank you so much to those who contribute to our parish communications.

## In God's Presence

### Weekday Mass & Requested Mass Intentions

**October 5 - October 11**

#### Nursing Homes

Bluewater Rest Home

Fri Oct 10 † Doreen Dietrich ☐ Estate 10:30 am

#### School Masses (at school location)

St. Joseph, Clinton

Thu Oct 09 † Maria Lourenco ☐ Estate 9:00 am

#### St. Peter, St. Joseph

Tue Oct 07 Int. of Lorraine Moir ☐ Bryan Dias 12:15 pm

Tue Oct 07 Int. of Kate Moriarty ☐ Kathryn Regier 12:15 pm

#### St. Boniface, Zurich

Wed Oct 08 † George Suplat ☐ Margaret Suplat 12:30 pm

Wed Oct 08 † Tillie Rau ☐ Estate 12:30 pm

Wed Oct 08 † Maria Lourenco ☐ Estate 12:30 pm

Wed Oct 08 † Dan Meidinger ☐ Steve & Pat Meidinger 12:30 pm

Wed Oct 08 Int. of Andrew & Marina Hartman ☐ Francis and Doreen Harman 12:30 pm

#### St. Peter, Goderich

Wed Oct 08 † Anita Dykstra-Morgan ☐ Pete & Elsie Dykstra 9:00 am

Thu Oct 09 † Bedour/Bugler Families ☐ Bev Bugler 12:15 pm

Fri Oct 10 † Carol Wilson ☐ The Family 12:15 pm

#### Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend

Wed Oct 08 † Bruce Fischer ☐ Regina Fischer 9:15 am

Wed Oct 08 † Tony Relouw ☐ Andy & Cathy Vrolyk 9:15 am

Fri Oct 10 † Mary Berkelmans ☐ Andy & Cathy Vrolyk 9:15 am

Fri Oct 10 Int. of IHM CWL ☐ Martin & Lia Vandenberk 9:15 am

#### Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel

Thu Oct 09 - Vince & Ellen Nirta ☐ Antonio Pace 9:15 am

Sat Oct 11 † Patrick Gerard Van Kerrebroeck ☐ Mary Smith 9:15 am

#### Precious Blood, Exeter

Fri Oct 10 † Jean Coleman ☐ The Coleman Family 12:45 pm

Fri Oct 10 † Gail Moir ☐ Tom Moir & Family 12:45 pm

Fri Oct 10 † Deceased Mem. of the Westelaken Family ☐ Brian & Ruth Westelaken 12:45 pm

**To offer a Mass for a loved one or in Thanksgiving please complete the online [form here](#).**

#### ADORATION & CONFESSION - WEEK OF October 5th

Tue, Oct 07	11am - 11:45am	St. Joseph	<b>B</b>	Confession
Wed, Oct 08	11:30am - 12:30pm	Zurich	<b>B</b>	Adoration & Confession
Fri, Oct 10	11am - 11:45am	Goderich	<b>B</b>	Confession
Sat, Oct 11	9:45am - 10:45am	Mt. Carmel	<b>A</b>	Adoration & Confession



**Children's Church is at the following parishes:** St. Peter Parish in Goderich • St. Boniface in Zurich. Both are in need of anyone interested in leading and helping. Please contact the office.

### **Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar**

#### Sacraments

**Baptism:** Please complete the online [Baptism Registration Form](#) and email it to [LakeHuronCatholic@dol.ca](mailto:LakeHuronCatholic@dol.ca). The next **Baptism Prep Class** will be held Thursday, October 16, at St. Boniface Church, in Zurich, 6:30pm.

**First Reconciliation Registration:** Visit the [Sacraments page on our website](#) for more information, important dates, and to register.

**Confirmation:** will take place in the Spring. More information coming soon.

**Marriage:** Couples are asked to contact Fr. Tony at least one year in advance to begin marriage preparation: [tlaforet@dol.ca](mailto:tlaforet@dol.ca).

**Anointing of the Sick:** Call at the onset of serious illness or when death is imminent: 1-877-450-6414 ext. 9.

**Reconciliation (Confession):** We are encouraged to celebrate this sacrament regularly. It brings peace, healing, and grace to the soul. Check the full schedule online: [LakeHuronCatholic.ca](#). Confessions are also available by appointment: 1-877-450-6414.

We pray for all who are sick, asking God to grant them healing and strength. We also remember those who have died, including **Dan Meidinger**, and ask the Lord to bring comfort and peace to all who mourn.

### Parish Locations

#### St. Boniface Church plus Main Office & Mailing Address

22 Mary Street, Zurich, Ontario, NOM 2T0

#### St. Peter Church

73334 Bluewater Hwy., St. Joseph

#### Precious Blood

200 Sanders St. W., Exeter

#### Immaculate Heart of Mary

337 Ontario Street, Grand Bend

#### St. Peter Church

156 North Street, Goderich

#### Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

69219 Bronson Line, Parkhill / Mt. Carmel

### Office Hours

**Office Hours are Tue - Fri: OPEN 8:30am - 3:30pm | CLOSED 12:30pm - 1:30pm & Wednesday afternoons (for Staff Meeting)**

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everyone I meet and serve  
You in all I do. Amen.*

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rest in God's presence

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