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*Give thanks to the Lord for  
His many Blessings  
On Thanksgiving*

# 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, October 12 – Thanksgiving Monday –  
No Mass**

**Tuesday, October 13**

9:00AM Blessings on the Congregation of the Resurrection

**Wednesday, October 14**

9:00AM Intentions of Nancy Devereaux – Monday Lunch & Learn  
Group

**Thursday, October 15 – St. Teresa of Avila,  
Virgin, Doctor**

9:00AM Intentions of Pat Nairn – Cecilia Beechey

**Friday, October 16 - St. Marguerite d'Youville,  
Religious**

9:00AM Intentions of Sebastian Malton & Caroline Weiner on their  
wedding day

**Saturday, October 17 – St. Ignatius of Antioch,  
Bishop & Martyr**

**Vigil of The 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM † John Harder – Joan Sichewski

† Laura Kroetsch – Kroetsch Family

† Ivan Listar – Cecilia Beechey

**Sunday, October 18 -The 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

9:30AM † Shirley Hinsperger – Hinsperger Family

† Ivan Matan – Malton Family

† Kenneth & Helen Hesch – Pat Cacciopoli

† Irwin Yee Ping – Amanda Ayong-Chee

11:30AM People of St. Louis Parish

### Reflection on the First Reading from Isaiah 25: 6- 10a

The thrice repeated “on this mountain” sets out Isaiah’s main points in this reading. Its first appearance marks Mount Zion in Jerusalem as the site of the royal banquet that will celebrate the Lord’s future final victory and enthronement over all people and kingdoms that oppose Him. The fare of this feast is the best imaginable in Isaiah’s day. Its food is rich, full of oil, which is essential for good health. Its wine is fine, aged in its dregs and then filtered.

Secondly, on this mountain the Lord will destroy, literally “swallow up,” death and its power to inflict suffering on the human race. The image of the Lord God wiping away “the tears from all faces” portrays the tender unbiased love that God has for every person and displays the universality of His reign. The Lord will also remove the disgrace that Israel suffers for its infidelity to the covenant.

Finally, on this future day, people will point in awe at the Lord who at long, long last has come. They will exclaim literally: “Let us go wild with joy and be glad that He has saved us.” Let us party because the powerful hand of the Lord is resting “on this mountain,” protecting all who come there from evil. (From the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word*.)



08-10-08

## THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father, all of Creation rightly owes you thanks and praise. Your justice, love and mercy abound. We thank you this day for all that you have given us:

For the Passion and Death of your Divine Son, we thank you Father, through the Cross, He redeemed the world.

For the Church, we thank you Father, it is our beacon for salvation.

For the martyrs and saints who give testimony to your Son, we thank you Father, their witness to your Son is our inheritance.

For our loved ones and friends who have died and gone before us, we thank you Father, their love abides with us forever.

For loving spouses, we thank you Father, together we seek you.

For the gift of children, we thank you Father, they are your precious gifts to us and to the world.

For the gift of our families, loved ones and good friends, we thank you Father, through them we see the reflection of your Son.

For jobs, our homes and all that we have, we thank you Father, give us only that which we need, as we seek Your Kingdom.

For the bounty we are about to eat, we thank you through Christ Our Lord.

Amen. (From Catholic Online at catholic.org/prayers/)

**THE WATERLOO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PATIO IS NOW OPEN. CALL 519-884-2060 TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE. FISH FRY PICK UP IS ALSO AVAILABLE.** From 4:30 to 6:30 P.M. EVERY FRIDAY at 145 DEARBORN PL., (1 P.C. \$14.00, 2 P.C. \$16.00) PLEASE CALL DEREK BEFORE 4:15 PM AT 226-748-8378 TO ORDER PICK-UP.

**Sunday School & Liturgy of the Word (ages 3-10)** – is a little different this Fall! Join Teacher Kelly every Sunday morning at 10:30am for an on-line Sunday school session. We explore our church calendar, sing songs and read the Gospel together where we take away a few important points from the reading. I have a link for a children’s bulletin that is full of fun information and ongoing activities. Would like to get involved? Email Kelly (kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com) to get the link to our virtual Sunday school. Join us to learn more about your faith!



St. Louis Youth Group would like to invite everyone in gr. 6 - 12 who would like to join our group of very enthusiastic, fun youth who care about their faith. We are getting together every second Friday night, beginning Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 7-9pm. Due to the covid restrictions, these will be zoom meetings. We’ll be playing games and having fun, learning more about our faith and exploring questions that we might have. There are 12 youth who have been meeting on a regular basis through zoom from the spring, and were instrumental in helping Kelly to make St. Louis Virtual Summer Camp a great success. If this sounds like a group you would like to join, email Kelly Krause at the parish office to get the information needed to join us. We all look forward to meeting you.

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? Ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow Him as a priest? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700, or Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR, Vocation Director, [crvocations@gmail.com](mailto:crvocations@gmail.com)



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Heartache To Healing  
St. Michael Parish  
Grief Support Group

St. Michael Parish Grief Support Group (6 weeks) is offered this Fall. The sessions will be on Thursday evenings from 7-8:30pm (Oct 22 to Nov 26). No fee, registration required by Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>. For more info, contact St. Michael parish office 519-884-9311, or email [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca).

**40 Days for Life** is holding a Campaign of prayer, fasting and prayerful witness from Sep. 23<sup>rd</sup> to Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>. Daily hours are from 7 am till 7 pm. The location is across from Freeport Hospital. We are asking that you prayerfully consider signing up for one hour per week or as you are able at [www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener](http://www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener) or call Patrick at 519-748-5548 for more info. Thank you for your support of the unborn.



**St. Teresa of Avila** became the reformer of Carmel, mother of the Discalced Carmelite nuns and friars, "spiritual mother" (as is engraved under her statue in the Vatican Basilica), patron of Catholic writers (from 1965) and Doctor of the Church (1970), the first woman with Saint Catherine of Siena to ever receive this last title. She was born at Avila in Castile, Spain, on 28<sup>th</sup> March 1515 and died in Alba de Tormes, near Salamanca, on 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1582 (a correction due to the Gregorian reform of the calendar that year, as the following day was officially 15<sup>th</sup> Oct.). She was beatified in 1614, canonised in 1622 and her feast day occurs on 15<sup>th</sup> October.

Her life needs to be understood in the light of the plan which God had for her, with the great desires experienced in her heart, with the mysterious illness to which she was subject in her youth (and with the ill health from which she suffered throughout her life), and with the "resistance" to divine grace for which she blamed herself more than she should have. Running away from home, she entered the Carmel of the Incarnation in Avila on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 1535. As a result, partly of the prevailing conditions in the community and partly from her own spiritual difficulties, she had to struggle before arriving at what she called her conversion at the age of 39. But, benefiting from various spiritual directors, she then began to make great strides towards perfection.

In 1560, the idea of a new Carmel emerged, where the Rule could be followed more closely, and two years later the monastery of St. Joseph was founded without any endowments and "following the Primitive Rule": a phrase that needs to be clearly understood because both then and later it was a notion which was more nostalgic and "heroic" than practical. Five years later Teresa obtained from the Prior General of the Order, permission to increase the number of monasteries and to found two communities of contemplative Carmelite friars (later called Discalced) who would be the spiritual counterparts of the nuns. At the death of St. Teresa, there were 17 monasteries of nuns in the Reform, and the communities of friars also quickly outstripped the original number, some founded with permission from the Prior General Rossi but others, established against his will, relying on the approval of the apostolic visitators.

There followed a series of unedifying quarrels, made worse by the interference of the civil authorities and other outsiders, until in 1581, the Discalced were formed into a separate Province.

St. Teresa is among the most important figures of all time for Catholic spirituality. Her works – especially *The Life*, *The Way of Perfection*, *The Mansions* and *The Foundations* – contain a doctrine which encompasses the whole of the spiritual life, from the first steps right up to intimacy with God at the centre of the Interior Castle. Her Letters show her occupied with a great variety of everyday problems. Her doctrine on the unity of the soul with God (intimately lived by her) follows the Carmelite tradition which had preceded her and to which she

herself contributed in such a notable way, enriching it and passing the tradition on, not only to her spiritual sons and daughters, but also to the whole Church. When she was dying, her one joy was to be able to affirm that "I die a daughter of the Church". (From [carmelites.net/news/](http://carmelites.net/news/))

**St. Marguerite d'Youville** was born Marie-Marguerite Dufrost de Lajemmerais in 1701 at Varennes, Quebec, oldest daughter of Christophe du Frost, Sieur de la Gesmeraysand and Marie-Renée Gaultier de Varennes. Her father died when she was young. Despite her family's poverty, at age 11 she was able to attend the Ursuline convent school in Quebec City for two years before returning home to teach her younger brothers and sisters. Marguerite's impending marriage to a scion of Varennes society was foiled by her mother's marriage below her class to Timothy Sullivan, an Irish doctor who was seen by the townspeople as a disreputable foreigner. On Aug. 12, 1722, she married François d'Youville, a bootlegger who sold liquor illegally to Indigenous Peoples in exchange for furs and frequently left home for long periods. Despite this, the couple eventually had six children before François died in 1730. By age 30 she had suffered the loss of her father, husband and four of her six children. Marguerite experienced a religious renewal during her marriage. "In all these sufferings Marguerite grew in her belief of God's presence in her life and His tender love for every human person. She, in turn, wanted to make known His compassionate love to all. She undertook many charitable works with complete trust in God, whom she loved as a Father."



Marguerite and three other women founded in 1737 a religious association to provide a home for the poor in Montreal. At first, the home only housed five members, but it grew. As their actions went against the social conventions of the day, d'Youville and her colleagues were mocked by their friends and relatives and even by the poor they helped. By 1744 the association had become a Catholic religious order with a rule and a formal community. In 1747 they were granted a charter to operate the General Hospital of Montreal, which by that time was in ruins and heavily in debt. d'Youville and her fellow workers brought the hospital back into financial security, but the hospital was destroyed by fire in 1765. The order rebuilt the hospital soon after. By this time, the order was commonly known as the "Grey Nuns of Montreal" after the nickname given to the nuns in ridicule years earlier.

d'Youville has been described as "one of Montreal's more prominent slaveholders". d'Youville and the Grey Nuns used enslaved laborers in their hospital and purchased and sold both Indian slaves and British prisoners, including an English slave which she purchased from the Indians. The vast majority of the 'slaves' in the hospital were English soldiers and would be better described as prisoners of war. They were for the most part young soldiers, many of them conscripts, simply wishing to survive their captivity. They were probably relieved to find themselves in a situation that offered a strong possibility of survival. They knew their fellow soldiers to be dying in nearby prisons.

Marguerite d'Youville died in 1771. In 1959, she was beatified by Pope John XXIII, who called her "Mother of Universal Charity", and was canonized in 1990. She is the first native-born Canadian to be elevated to sainthood by the Roman Catholic Church. In 1961, a shrine was built in her birthplace of Varennes. (From [Catholic Online](http://Catholic Online))

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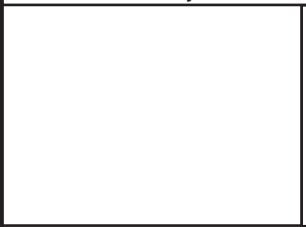
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