

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

April 10, 2022

Palm Sunday

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Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm



Mass Times

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:30am

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30pm - 7:00pm,
or by request.

Sacrament of Baptism (3rd Sunday of the month outside of Lent)

Parents, please pick up Baptism package from the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact office six months prior to desired date.
Marriage Prep offered.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please notify the parish office of loved ones who are housebound or in the hospital so they may receive the comfort of the Church's sacraments and prayer.

Outreach Ministry (A Ministry of Visitation)

Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know would like a visit by the Outreach Ministry.

Parish Contacts

Parish Pastoral Council

Annamae Elliott
Deana Pfanner Groves
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Fr. Peter Meyer
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Building & Finance Committee

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
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Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

Knights of Columbus

Frank McGuire

Vocations

Contact www.vocationinfo.ca or
www.resurrectionist.net

New Parishioners

New parishioners, welcome!
Please register at the office or pick up a registration package at the church entrance.

Bulletin Deadline

Written submissions by Monday noon.

St. Teresa of Avila School

75 First St. W., Elmira
519-669-8843 Fax 519-669-4509

St. David Catholic Secondary School

4 High Street, Waterloo
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Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth,
but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which
he moves compassion on
this world.

Yours are the feet with which
he walks to do good.

Yours are the hands with which
he blesses all the world.

Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila



✠ Please remember our benefactors and those who have left bequests in your prayers. ✠

PALM SUNDAY

MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 11TH

<p>Tuesday, April 12, 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Music Stations with Choir) 7:05 pm +Carol Stortz; St. Teresa's Catholic Women's League <i>Cling to God and leave all the rest to him: he will not let you perish. Your soul is very dear to him; he wishes to save it. – St. Margaret Mary Alacoque</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, April 13, 9:00 am Intentions of Armand Bertin; St. Teresa's Parish Staff <i>The passion of Jesus is a sea of sorrows, but it is also an ocean of love. Ask the Lord to teach you to fish in this ocean. Dive into its depths. No matter how deep you go, you will never reach the bottom. – St. Paul of the Cross</i></p>
<p>Thursday, April 14, 10:00 am Passion Play by School 7:00 pm Holy Thursday For the Clergy of the Diocese</p>
<p>Friday, April 15, The Passion of the Lord 11:00 am Good Friday Service 3:00 pm Good Friday Service</p>
<p>Saturday, April 16, 8:30 pm – Easter Vigil For All Those Received Into The Church</p>
<p>Sunday, April 17, Solemnity of Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Our Parish Community</p>

READINGS FOR April 17

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43
 Second Reading: Col 3:1-4 or Col 5:6b-8
 Gospel Reading: Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON 4:00 pm **Altar Server Training** - Church
TUE 6:30 pm **Stations of the Cross** – Church
 6:30 pm **C.W.L. Executive Mtg** – Seminar Room
 7:30 pm **Confirmation Session** – Hall
 7:35 pm **C.W.L. General Meeting** - Library

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO BIOETHICAL CHALLENGES

– We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., April 11 Rev. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.
 Tues., April 12 Rev. Allison Mahoney, C.S.C.
 Wed., April 13 Permanent Deacons.
 Thurs., April 14 Holy Thursday
 Fri., April 15 Good Friday
 Sat., April 16 Holy Saturday

FOODBANK NEEDS

Laundry Detergent and Dish Soap

Sign Ministry

Apr 11 Jim McInnis

My Dear Parishioners,

As you are aware, St. Teresa's, Elmira and St. Boniface, Maryhill will be served by myself effective June 28, 2022. I will remain in residence here while the two parishes will continue to be separate. I met with the Pastoral Council and they shared some initial comments. I am not leaving Elmira. Let us pray for this new journey of our parishes.

To conclude our Lenten message, the Holy Father reminds us that "the soil is prepared by fasting, watered by prayer, and enriched by charity". He invites us, once again, not to grow tired of doing good, and calls us to "believe firmly that 'if we do not give up, we shall reap our harvest in due time', and that, with the gift of perseverance, we shall obtain what was promised, for our salvation and the salvation of others".

We had a special celebration for our Grade 2s as they received their First Reconciliation.

Please pray for our young parishioners in Grade 2 who are preparing for their First Communion. Please also pray for those in Grade 7 preparing for their Confirmation. These young people are special members of our community. They are undertaking special preparation for these sacraments of initiation.

Confessions by appointment at any time.

Fr. Peter

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: We are re-starting our monthly meetings on **Tuesday, April 19th** at 2 p.m. in the parish library. We have been able to continue distributing shawls because of your knitting and crocheting throughout these months. Thank you so much for doing this. Please bring any shawls you have completed or are working on. We always welcome new members and maybe some of you have taken up knitting or crocheting to pass the time. You could join us and at the same time contribute to the well-being of those who could use prayerful support. Looking forward to seeing you again. Any questions? Call Danielle Pilon at 519-669-2606.

5 P.M. MASS CHOIR – It has been 2 long years since we have had choir singing at the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturdays. Now that covid restrictions are easing, we would like to get our choir together again, aiming to begin singing on the first weekend after Easter. We welcome anyone, who loves to sing; no experience required. For information, please contact Marianne Kraemer at 519-497-5198 or Donna at the Church at 519-669-3387.

The Knights of Columbus are having their **MAPLE SAUSAGE AND MAPLE BURGERS FUNDRAISER** once again. The burgers and sausages are gluten, whey and soy free. They contain NO MSG, no nitrates, nitrites or phosphates. **Orders are due by Wednesday, April 27th.** Proceeds to Ukraine Humanitarian Relief.

We will have a **FOOD DRIVE** to support our local Food Bank. Food may be dropped off any time throughout Holy Week. A basket of food will be brought forward during the offertory on **Holy Thursday** to represent all the food donated for the hungry of our community.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE DATES

Tues., April 12th at 7 p.m. at St. Clement's, St. Clements

The Woolwich Community Health Centre virtually presents **TEENS & YOUTH HEALTH SERIES** facilitated by Sid Bater, Psychotherapist and Lisa Parker, Child and Youth Worker, WCHC. Being a teen today can be hard! Social media, drugs and addiction, varying beliefs, mental health and feeling pulled in different directions are just some of the things we face. There are a lot of things going on in teenage life but you may not always have a place to talk about them. If you or a friend knows what this is like, these conversations are just for you! These sessions are free, and you can attend as many (4 total) or as few as you like. All conversations are open to anyone between 14 and 19 years of age. Registration is required. Email Lisa Park at lparker@wchc.on.ca. The second session is **KEEPING UP WITH SOCIAL MEDIA & EXPOSING INTERNET TROLLS** on **Thursday, April 14, 2022** from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY FISH AND CHIPS

- Maryhill Heritage Park, 58 St. Charles St. E. Maryhill on **Friday, April 15th** from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Eat In or Take Out. No reserved seating. First Come, First Served. Haddock with fresh hand cut fries served with coleslaw, tartar sauce and lemon, 1 piece - \$15, 2 piece \$17. Kids under 12 are half price. Hot dogs available. Dessert, bar & refreshment available. Masks optional. Cash only. Take out orders – calling ahead strongly advised. Phone (519) 648-2939.
- After a 2-year break, the Knights of Columbus will once again be serving their popular Fish and Chip dinners from 4:00 to 6:00 on **Good Friday (April 15th)** at St. Joseph's Parish Hall in Fergus. We will continue offering a choice of oven-baked, or traditional deep fried, breaded haddock fish portions. Fish and Chip dinners, including fries, coleslaw, juice and coffee or tea will be \$12.00 for one piece of fish and \$17.00 for two pieces of fish. A side serving of one piece of fish will be \$7.00 and an order of fries only will be \$5.00. Pop or bottled water will be \$1.00 each. Take out will be available. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending as **we have decided that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Ukraine Relief** and the balance to our Knights Charities in the Parish and Community.

HEARTACHE TO HEALING – GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

at St. Michael Parish, 80 University Avenue West, Waterloo on **Wednesday evenings from April 20th – May 25th** from 7 – 8:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. **Register by April 13th** by contacting St. Michael Parish Office at 519-884-9311 or email parish@stmichaelw.ca. This program is designed to assist people after the death of a loved one, or a significant loss and follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. Everyone is welcome. There is no fee. Visit the website for more information at www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support.

The **REAL ME: DRAWING TEENS OUT OF THE SHADOWS** is the fourth talk for the Hamilton Diocesan

Speaker Series. Our speaker, Roy Petitfils, has spent his life helping teens not to feel invisible. During his presentation he will provide insights into how parents/teachers/parish staff/others can help ensure no child ever feels unseen. Join us **Tuesday, April 26th** from 7-8:30 p.m. Roy will provide practical and experiential antidotes on how to assist teens to feel empowered, supported and strong enough to come out of the shadows

and thrive in their lives. Roy Petitfils is an internationally recognized expert in understanding and raising teenagers. He is a therapist with a Masters in Mental Health and School Counseling and is an internationally sought after speaker who uses humor, passion, clinical and life experience to help adults connect with teens and teens to know, understand and love themselves. He has authored, What Teens Want You to Know (But Won't Tell You), What I Wish Someone Had Told Me About the First Five Years of Marriage and God Wears Running Shoes: Spiritual Reflections for Those Ministering to Young People. For more information and to register visit: <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/>, or contact Teresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

You are invited to a **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE PRAYER VIGIL SERVICE** on **April 26th, 2022**. St. Joseph, Fergus' CWL will be hosting the Regional Candlelight Prayer Vigil for Deceased Members and Spiritual Advisors on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. This prayer service will be live streamed so that League members who cannot attend will still be able to view it. A small reception will follow and will be catered by Fergies Fine Foods. **Please reserve your place at the reception.** To ensure our reception has adequate food, drinks and seating, we ask that you make a reservation by calling Judy Daniel at 519-843-1622.

CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSETS?? DOWNSIZING???

Canadian Food for Children is a registered charity, completely volunteer operated, which provides clothing, food, medical and educational supplies to the poor in Third World countries. We have a problem and are asking for your consideration. Since Covid began, the donations of used clothing and so many other useful items have almost stopped. We need these donations to help the poor. Can you help? We accept clean clothing in good shape. We accept clothing for every age and every season. We accept unbreakable housewares, bedding, fabric and sewing supplies. We are at 843 Guelph St. in Kitchener and are open 12:30 to 3 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays. If you would like further information, please contact Danielle Pilon at 519-669-2606. If you would like a copy of our "Wish List", please email pinn@golden.net.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for April 2/3:	\$4,111.25
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$75,036.51

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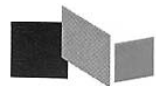
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