

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

April 16, 2023

Divine Mercy Sunday

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Office Administration: Donna Vollmer

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Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm



Mass Times

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am

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
Debbie Yutzi
Fr. Peter Meyer
Ken Gallipeau
Dan Lauzon

Building & Finance Committee

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
Maria Diemert Rick Weishar
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gk8192@ontariokofc.ca

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
519-885-1340 Website: stdavid.wcdsb.ca

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. ✠

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 17TH

Tuesday, April 18, 7:05 pm + Lucy Baker ; Marcella & Judy Furlong + Barbara Mayville ; Greg & Sue Goetz <i>May Holy Eucharist and perfect abandonment to God's will be your heaven on earth. – Bl. Marie-Anne Blondin</i>
Wednesday, April 19, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>We can cure physical diseases with medicine, but the only cure for loneliness, despair and hopelessness is love. – St. Teresa of Calcutta</i>
Thursday, April 20, 12:05 pm + John Miltenburg ; Debbie Yutzi + Jerry Hislip ; Gord & Cheryl Dunn <i>What is the mark of love for your neighbour? Not to seek what is for your own benefit, but what is for the benefit of the one loved, both in body and in soul. – St. Basil the Great</i>
Friday, April 21, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>God is that, the greater than which cannot be conceived. – St. Anselm</i>
Saturday, April 22, 5:00 pm + Vincent Kraemer ; Nancy Kamberidis + Ronald & Jean Litt ; Estate
Sunday, April 23, Third Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill

Hospitality

5pm Greg & Sue Goetz
 9am John Bruder, Paul & Diane Shuttsa

Lector

5pm Connie Kaster
 9am Tracy Kroetsch

Commentator

Phil Milan
 Lisa Denomme

Children's Liturgy

Apr 23 Sandi Hutchinson, Sarah Glazier

Sign Ministry

Apr 17 John Bruder

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Thomas was reluctant to believe in the truth of the resurrection without seeing Jesus himself, until he saw him with his own eyes. Jesus said that those who believe without sight are truly blessed, and that includes us today! We don't see the Lord physically, but trust that He is with us always. Although we have the Spirit within us, we can still experience doubt. This, however, does not affect our eternal standing with God. True saving faith always perseveres to the end just as Thomas's did.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and the other councils for their hard work and dedication at the Maple Syrup Festival this year. I was very pleased with all the volunteers that helped at the festival and everyone's efforts brought joy and tasty food to all. Thank you for contributing to the success of the Maple Syrup Festival. Job well done!

Fr. Peter

READINGS FOR April 22/23

First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33
 Second Reading: 1 Pt 1:17-21
 Gospel Reading: Lk 24:13-35

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON 7:00 pm **C.W.L. Planning Mtg for Tea** - Library
TUE 1:00 pm **Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg** - Library
 6:00 pm **First Communion Session** – Hall
 7:30 pm **Confirmation Session** – Hall
WED 7:00 pm **Finance Committee Mtg** – Library
THU 6:30 pm **Knights of Columbus General Meeting**
SAT 4:00 pm **5 pm Choir Practice** - Church
SUN After 9:00 am Mass **Coffee Sunday** – Hall

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., April 17 St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Protectress of Canada
 Tues., April 18 Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
 Wed., April 19 Jesuit Fathers, S.J.
 Thurs., April 20 Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel
 Fri., April 21 Rev. Wilson Andrade, C.S.C.
 Sat., April 22 Rev. Emmanuel Ralte, C.S.C.

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For a culture of peace and non-violence – We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Crackers, Sidekicks and Juice

MINISTRIES for April 22/23

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kieran Kelly
 9am Ron Stemmler

We will be offering **SESSIONS COVERING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH** for those who would like to explore the possibility of being Baptized and/or Confirmed in the Catholic faith. No commitment is called for to begin. All of the teachings are summaries of the essentials of the Catechism. If you are interested, please speak to Father Peter or pick up a registration form from Donna in the parish office.

The C.W.L. will be hosting a **ELEGANT AFTERNOON TEA**. Would you be able to help us? We are in need of china teapots that you can lend us for this special event. We would appreciate it. Please contact the Parish Office by email at stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com or by telephone at 519-669-3387 if you are able to help us with this request for this special event. Please watch for more details for this event that is on **Saturday, May 13th**.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Join us for our monthly meeting on **Tuesday, April 18th** at 1 p.m. in the parish library. 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 Carol Kieswetter at 519-669-5392.

The next set of groups/workshops presented by Woolwich Counselling Centre are below. Please see the bulletin board for more information about each individual group/workshop.:

- **OPTIMIZING OUR MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLNESS AS WE AGE**, no cost, in-person sessions, on **Wednesdays, April 19 – May 17, 2023** from 1 – 2 p.m.
- **GLAD TO BE ME**, no cost, in-person workshop for ages 4–7 years on **Thursday, April 27, 2023** from 4–5 p.m. Learn more and register by calling 519-669-8651 or by emailing info@woolwichcounselling.org or drop by at 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira for any of the above groups/workshops.

BEYOND THE PEW – WHAT NOW? Come join us as we take the dialogue to the next level. In our winter speaker series, we heard from local speakers, with boots on the ground, about homelessness, addiction, mental health, our youth. What did these mean for you? To your Parish? To our community? What is your heart calling you to do? Father Ed Hinsperger will guide us through a process that will help us emerge with a clear vision of action. Whether you wish to be part of the solution with a group, with your family, or on your own, these conversations will help determine positive action steps forward in faith, guided by the Holy Spirit, and in the company of like-minded people. Whether you attended the Beyond the Pew sessions, or not, you are welcome. The only requirement is that you wish to work towards a more just and caring community. Join us on **Tuesday, April 18, 2023** from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the St. Clement Church Hall, 745 Duke St., Cambridge. Contact the office to register at 519-653-6123 or stclements@rogers.com.

The next **LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE** is on **Wednesday, April 19th** at Notre Dame Chapel, SJ1 Classrooms and Library Building at St. Jerome's University at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Jose Pereira, Director, Division of Palliative Care and Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at McMaster University in Hamilton, will speak on "The End of Life Care and the Cost of Neglect". There is complimentary parking. It is wheelchair accessible. Refreshments will be served prior to the lecture. Admission is free, but please register as seating is limited. Tickets are not required at the door.

AGING ISSUES: LISTENING TO INDIGENOUS VOICES – join us to learn about aging from the perspective of three Indigenous speakers in our region. The Diocese, through the Family Ministry Office, is co-sponsoring this Zoom event on **Saturday, April 22nd** from 2-4 p.m. For registration and information, please contact Ellen Ryan at 905-648-0437 or by email at hamiltonagingcommunity@gmail.com.

There is an **80TH BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE FOR PAUL WINTERMEYER** on **Saturday, April 22nd** from 1 – 4 at the Elmira Legion. Join us as we celebrate with Paul.

CARD PARTY - St. Anthony Daniel Parish C.W.L. is hosting a Card Party on **Wednesday, April 26th** in the St.

Anthony Daniel Parish Life Centre. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with lunch served at 12:00 noon. Cost is \$15 per person which includes lunch, refreshments, and prizes and lots of fun playing your favorite game with friends. Plan to join us. For tickets contact the parish office at 519-893-6960 or Linda Howey at 519-893-2534.

CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA - Our annual fundraiser is scheduled for **April 27, 2023** and this year we have a wonderful 1940s theme complete with a Big Band and a menu that will bring back a sense of nostalgia for some of you and a wish to be born in more simpler times by others. Most importantly, the Gala gives us an opportunity to introduce and re-introduce to you, Catholic Missions In Canada. Catholic Missions In Canada is one of the best kept secrets to our Canadian Catholic community. In 2023 we are starting an awareness campaign. People need to know that in most areas in Canada, religious services like Mass, baptism, religious instruction, confession and so on, are not readily available. **People need to know that CMIC exists to advance and sustain the Catholic faith in Canada...and they need to know that they can help.** We would really love to see you and we would really appreciate it if you could bring somebody along so that they can learn what we are all about and have a great evening as well. There will be individual ticket sales and sponsorship and donation opportunities. If you wish to know more about the Gala and the sponsorship opportunities available now visit the website at www.cmic.info.

The Serra Club of Hamilton is holding their **ANNUAL VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER** on **Tuesday, May 2, 2023** at Liuna Stations. Tickets are \$90. Please email SerraHamilton1965@gmail.com or leave a message at 905-628-5682 if interested.

Join the Knights of Columbus for **FISH FRY FRIDAYS** at the Columbus Conference Centre, 145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo. The seating time on Fridays is 5:30 p.m. Meal includes Fish & Chips, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll. The cost is one Piece \$15.00 (tax included) or two Pieces \$20.00 (tax included). You must call for reservations at 519-884-2060.

VOCATION SEEDS – "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Will you respond to God's call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for April 9/10:	\$1,524.80
Offertory collection for Easter:	\$5,928.30
Offertory collection for Good Friday:	\$1,912.25
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$31,660.04

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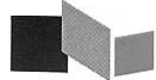
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