# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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Deacon: Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

Office Administration: Donna Vollmer
Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

**Office Hours:** 

Monday to Thursday 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 Debbie Yutzi Fr. Peter Meyer Ken Gallipeau Leona Weishar

#### **Building & Finance Committee**

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
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#### **Catholic Women's League**

Barb Vodicka

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Adrian Miltenburg

#### 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.

April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter



#### St. Teresa of Avila School

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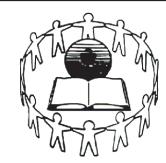
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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



#### MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>

#### Tuesday, April 20, No Mass

Everything is nothing to me, but Jesus: neither things nor persons, neither ideas nor emotions, neither honour nor sufferings. Jesus is for me honour, delight, heart and soul. – St. Bernadette

#### Wednesday, April 21, 7:05 pm

+Vicky Rau; Erl & Donna Andersen

God has made nothing more valuable than a rational existence capable of enjoying him. – St. Anselm

#### Thursday, April 22, 12:05 pm

+Pat Thompson; Danielle Pilon

One must see God in everyone. – St. Catherine Laboure

#### Friday, April 23, 9:00 am

+Lucy Bertin; Trudy & Ray Denomme

Since love grows within you, so beauty grows. For love is the beauty of the soul. – St. Augustine

#### Saturday, April 24, 5:00 pm

+Maurice Downey; Diane Dietrich

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### Sunday, April 25, Fourth Sunday of Easter 9:30 am Our Parish Community

#### **READINGS FOR APRIL 24/25**

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12 Second Reading: 1 Jn 3:1-2 Gospel Reading: Jn 10:11-18

### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., April 19 Rev. Christopher Tracey

Tues., April 20 Rev. Mark Morley

Wed., April 21 Jesuit Fathers, S.J.

Thurs., April 22 Rev. George Nowak, C.R.

Fri., April 23 Rev. Ireneusz Koziak, S.A.C.

Sat., April 24 Rev. Charles Galea

At this time the parish office is only open on Wednesdays, limited hours. Please check for updates at stteresaelmira.ca and on the Hamilton Diocesan website. Please note that we are checking messages for emergencies and serious pastoral concerns.

#### MINISTRIES for April 24/25

#### Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi & Marianne Kieswetter 9:30am Leona & Rick Weishar, John Bruder

#### Lectors

5pm Tom O'Marra

9:30am Ellen Siebel-Achenbach

#### **Sign Ministry**

Apr 19 Linda Bruder

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

Shampoo, Deodorant and Canned Pasta

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

**Fundamental Rights** – We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Would you like to be part of a gardening team at St. Teresa of Avila? We are looking for volunteers to help with the gardens. If you would like to be a part of this team please contact the Parish Office via telephone at 519-669-3387 or by email at StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com.

As per the lockdown announced last week by Premier Ford we are allowed 15% of capacity to attend Masses. We ask that you register for the weekend Masses via telephone at 519-669-3387 or email at StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com.

Sunday Masses are still being taped and uploaded through St. Teresa's YouTube on the website or just google YouTube St. Teresa's, Elmira. Reflections are also put on YouTube on Wednesdays. Please check them out.

Any questions or concerns you have please call the Parish Office. The telephone is checked regularly every day.

Be assured of my continued support and prayer. We ask Jesus, our Lord and God to watch over us in these difficult times.

Father Peter

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING ROSARY AND MOVIE

Every Wednesday St Teresa has a Rosary Zoom meeting at 7:00 p.m. We have been running it successfully for a few months now. It averages about 30 people taking part. It has been suggested that we start a movie evening... based mainly on spiritual Movies, i.e. lives of Saints.

The series **'The Chosen'** has been mentioned and is free and running on tube. Season one is complete and Season two has just begun.

We would like to extend the Rosary Zoom Meeting and show 'The Chosen' series, after the Rosary is finished. This will add another 40 minutes to the zoom meeting.

We understand that it may not be for everyone, in which case please feel free to log off at that time. Anyone who would like to stay and watch... can enjoy the life of Jesus... with 96 million other people around the world.

I have been watching and have enjoyed it immensely.

Yours in Christ.

Deacon Basil

Email: bmarkides@rogers.com.

The Knights of Columbus are offering **FREE ON LINE MEMBERSHIP until June 30, 2021** in honour of the beatification of Father McGivney . Go to https://www.KofC.org/joinus. Use the promo code MCGIVNEY2020.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre, 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira is offering programs that you can participate in.

- Mindfulness on April 22 & 29, 2021 from 7 8 p.m.
- Glad to Be Me Ages 4-7, a Self-Esteem
   Program on April 28, and May 26, 2021 from 4 5 p.m.
- No Need to Fret Ages 8-11, a Childhood Anxiety Group on April 20 & 27, 2021 from 5 – 6 p.m.
- Conquering Teen Anxiety Ages 12-14, a Teen Anxiety Group on April 20 & 27, 2021 from 7 – 8 p.m.
- Stand Tall Ages 7 9, Assertiveness Building on May 5, 12, 19, 26 & June 2, 2021 from 5 – 6 p.m.

Visit www.woolwichcounselling.org for more program details. Call 519-669-8651 or email info@woolwichcounselling.org to register.

#### **COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE**

VIRTUALLY! Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See our website at Ioyolahouse.com (under "Events") for more information on these upcoming retreats and programs: 8-Day Directed Retreat - April 22-30
The Little Prince Retreat - May 7-9 - with Greg Kennedy. SJ

"See, I am Making All Things News" Join Me! 8-Day Retreat - May 20-28 - An Earth Retreat NEW! Multi-Faith Retreat series - May 8 -Introductory Session - Inter-Spirituality & Comparative Mysticism

These virtual retreats may include video links and/or Zoom (or telephone) gatherings, and optional individual meetings with your spiritual director where indicated. Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or call 519 824 1250 ext 266.

The next Reel Justice Film Festival, **LIFE ON OUR PLANET**, is showing on **Thursday**, **April 22**<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Celebrate Earth Day with this beautiful film. To join the online screening R.S.V.P. in advance at https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/contact-us/.

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK (MAY 2 – MAY 7, 2021) -** This year's Catholic Education Week theme is "Nurturing Hope." The Catholic Education biblical quote is, "Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength." Isaiah 40:31.

The NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE is on Thursday, May 13, 2021. This event will take place both inperson and online. The theme for this year's March for Life is 'You are not alone'. Each year, it is a great encouragement to see thousands of young people marching for life, to see people of many faith backgrounds and cultures, and to hear from the prolife MPs who share words of encouragement. This year, Guelph & Area Right to Life will not be organizing a day trip to the March for Life. However, everyone is encouraged to travel to participate in the in-person March if able to do so. The March for Life will also be hosting a virtual March, as well as many other virtual events during the March for Life week. For more information, visit marchforlife.ca. See the events below:

- Life on Film: Movie Nights, May 9 -11 (online)
- Candlelight Vigil, May 12 (in-person & online)
- National Mass for Life, May 13 (in-person & online)
- March for Life & Rally, May 13 (in-person & online)
- Youth Conference, May 14 (online)

The 42<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL KW RIGHT TO LIFE WALK FOR LIFE is on Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. There will be an Independent Walk Option. You can walk on your own or not. Details to follow. Walk from a designated place which is to be announced. Prizes. Draws. Every \$50 pledged receives a chance for a \$100 Gift Certificate. Call KW Right to Life at 519-746-5433 for more information. Income tax receipts are issued at Year End for donations \$20 and over.

VOCATION SEEDS – What could convince someone to turn to God? The story that God became human? The story that Jesus cured the sick? The story that Jesus forgave sin? The story that Jesus rose from the dead? Or, perhaps, the story of the witness of your own life! If you have the continuing inclination that God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon call Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for April 10/11: \$2,565.50
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$137,748.25
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