

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

April 24, 2022  
Divine Mercy Sunday

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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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  
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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#### Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

#### Knights of Columbus

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#### Vocations

Contact [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca) or  
[www.resurrectionist.net](http://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. ✠

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>

<b>Tuesday, April 26, 7:05 pm</b> <b>+Margaret Frey;</b> Linda & Vince Spilek <i>In everything, whether it is a thing sensed or a thing known, God himself is hidden within. – St. Bonaventure</i>
<b>Wednesday, April 27, 10:30 am – Barnswallow Place</b> <b>+Joseph &amp; Annamae Eckert;</b> Estate <i>Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset. – St. Francis de Sales</i>
<b>Thursday, April 28, 12:05 pm</b> <b>+Jerome Yantz;</b> Marcella & Judy Furlong <i>Mother Mary is an echo of God, speaking and repeating only God. – St. Louis Grignon de Montfort</i>
<b>Friday, April 29,</b> <b>9:00 am Intentions of Helen Fioret;</b> Louise Roe <b>9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration</b> <i>The soul is in God and God in the soul, just as the fish is in the sea and the sea in the fish. – St. Catherine of Siena</i>
<b>Saturday, April 30,</b> <b>9:30 am – 1 pm Confirmation Retreat</b> <b>5:00 pm</b> <b>+John Schill;</b> Diane Dietrich <b>+Pat Runstedler;</b> Diane Dietrich
<b>Sunday, May 1, Third Sunday of Easter,</b> <b>9:30 am Our Parish Community</b> <b>Confirmation Enrolment</b>

#### READINGS FOR April 30/May 1

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41  
 Second Reading: Rv 5:11-14  
 Gospel Reading: Jn 21:1-19

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**TUE** 7:30 pm **Confirmation Session** – Hall  
**WED** 7:00 pm **9:30 am Choir Practice** – Church  
**THU** 6:30 pm **First Communion Session**  
**SAT** 4:00 pm **5:00 pm Choir Practice** - Church

#### 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 25 Rev. Patrick McKelvie, C.R.  
 Tues., April 26 Rev. David Mowat, C.R.  
 Wed., April 27 Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Zagreb, S.O.C.  
 Thurs., April 28 Rev. Peter Pigott, C.R.  
 Fri., April 29 Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.  
 Sat., April 30 Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.

#### FOODBANK NEEDS

Laundry Detergent and Dish Soap

#### MINISTRIES for April 30/May 1

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
 5pm Erl Andersen  
 9:30am Dianne McGuire

#### Hospitality

5pm Geoff & Kieran Kelly  
 9:30am Carol & Ed Kieswetter, Adrian Miltenburg

#### Lector

5pm Armand Bertin  
 9:30am Leona Weishar

#### Commentator

Phil Milan  
 Larry Glofcheskie

#### Sign Ministry

Apr 25 Sandi Hutchinson

My Dear Parishioners,

Today, April 24<sup>th</sup> is Divine Mercy Sunday. What is the message of Divine Mercy Sunday to us? Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified."

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.

Fr. Peter

#### **C.W.L. MOTHER'S DAY TEA FOR TWO – IN A BOX!**

We have been missing a chance to celebrate our annual Mother's Day Tea and although a bit too soon to gather in person, here is a great alternative! We will have a limited number of boxes available for advance purchase and pick up will be in the hall on **Saturday, May 7th from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.** Each box will contain: 2 fresh baked scones, a small jar of homemade strawberry jam, 2 tea bags and some chocolate treats for only \$10 per box! Pre-orders will be taken until **May 5th** or until we run out. Orders can be placed by email to [stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com](mailto:stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com). Include your name, phone number, number of boxes required and if paying by e-transfer (to the same email address) or exact cash at pick up. You can also order by calling Barb Vodicka 519-497-3162. Celebrating our 70th Anniversary of our CWL!

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.

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

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School Counseling and is an internationally sought after speaker who uses humour, 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](mailto:thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com), or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

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](mailto:lparker@wchc.on.ca). The next session is **TALKING OPENLY ABOUT DRUGS AND ADDICTION** on **Thursday, April 28, 2022** from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Sometimes it's tough to talk about things like different beliefs, religion, who we are and what we think...

You are invited to a **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE PRAYER VIGIL SERVICE** on **April 26<sup>th</sup>, 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.

Join the Reel Justice Film Festival on **April 28, 2022** from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for the screening of **SEED: THE UNTOLD STORY**. As biotech companies control the majority of our seeds, farmers, scientists, lawyers, and indigenous seed keepers fight to defend the future of our food. In a harrowing and heartening story, these reluctant heroes rekindle a lost connection to our most treasured resource and revive a culture connected to seeds. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/> to view our 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!

**KW RTL FISH DINNER AND SPEAKERS** are on **April 29, 2022** at the Waterloo Knights of Columbus Hall. Friday,

April 29<sup>th</sup> will feature dinner and the 'Right Now' organization will speak on the upcoming elections and guidance on finding pro-life MPPs and MPs best suited to run for office. Call 519-746-5433 or [jane@kwrtl.ca](mailto:jane@kwrtl.ca) to reserve a seat or table.

Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to an **APPRECIATION MASS** on **Tuesday, May 3, 2022** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King starting at 7:00 p.m. We will celebrate and honour our brothers and sisters who have chosen the Priesthood or Consecrated/Religious Life and have marked their 50th Anniversary serving the Diocese of Hamilton in 2020, 2021 and 2022. Please see the website: [Celebration of Priesthood and Religious Life Dinner](#) or call Margaret Carreiro at 905-628-5682 for further details.

**THE CHOSEN SEASON 1 STUDY GROUP: The Chosen** is the first multi-season television series about the life of Christ, as witnessed through the eyes of those He impacted. Directed by Dallas Jenkins (The Resurrection of Gavin Stone) and distributed by VidAngel Studios. Join us at Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo parish office, starting **Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. Our study group will begin watching one episode per week of season 1 which will be followed by discussions and fellowship. For more information and or to register please send us an email: to [lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com) with your name and contact information.

**WALK FOR LIFE IN GUELPH & FERGUS - May 7, 2022**  
It's not easy to stand up for life, but together, our voices can make a difference! Join the pro-life walkathons in Fergus or Guelph on Saturday, May 7th at 10:00 a.m. Walks are approximately 45 minutes long, and signs are provided. For more information and to RSVP, visit [guelphforlife.com](http://guelphforlife.com) or call Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311.

**BUS TO NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE OTTAWA - May 12, 2022.** Join the National March for Life in Ottawa with thousands of other pro-life Canadians! A bus will be departing the Walmart Supercentre in Cambridge at 5 a.m., with a stop at the Basilica of Our Lady parking lot in Guelph at 5:30 a.m. Tickets are \$40 each and must be purchased in advance. For tickets, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life. 519-836-6311, [info@guelphforlife.com](mailto:info@guelphforlife.com)

**BUS TO MARCH FOR LIFE TORONTO – May 13, 2022**  
KW Right to Life will travel by bus to Toronto to participate in the March for Life. Plan to participate. Reserve a bus seat now by calling 519-746-5433 or email [jane@kwrtl.ca](mailto:jane@kwrtl.ca). Details to follow.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for April 16/17:	\$2,107.25
Offertory collection for Easter:	\$2,468.00
Offertory collection for Good Friday:	\$1,760.00
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$75,981.51

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