St. Teresa of Avila Roman Catholic Church

April 30, 2017 Third Sunday of Easter

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. David Lewis Office Administration: Donna Vollmer Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

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 (4th 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 any 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

Andrea Visneskie Barb Vodicka Dan Ziegler Fr. David Lewis Lisa Denomme Marianne Kieswetter Marty Merlihan Peggy Kelly Phil Milan Tim Baillargeon

Building & Finance Committee

Fr. David Lewis Diane Smith Jason Adams Kris Kauk

Rick Weishar

Catholic Women's League Mary Jane Yaeger

Sebastian Siebel-Achenbach

Knights of Columbus

Al Vodicka

Vocations

Maria Diemert

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

New Parishioners

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

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



MASSES FOR WEEK OF MAY 1ST

Tuesday, May 2, 7:05 pm +Henry Donkers; Marcella & Judy Furlong Christians, instead of arming yourselves with swords, extend your hands in prayer. – St. Athanasius

Wednesday, May 3, 10:30 am – Heritage House +Wilfred Mayne; Helma Mayne God is not accustomed to refusing a good gift to those who

ask for one. – St. Ambrose

Thursday, May 4, 9:00 am

+Edmund Cassel; Hilda Cassel

We must love our neighbor as being made in the image of God and as an object of his love. – St. Vincent de Paul

Friday, May 5,

9:00 am +Frances Lewis; Annie Donkers

9:30 am – Noon Adoration

In all created things discern the providence and wisdom of God, and in all things give him thanks. – St. Teresa of Avila

Saturday, May 6, 5:00 pm

+Mary Kelly & Jenny Kulaga; Peg Kelly & Ed Kulaga Intentions of Betty Furlong; Parishioner

Sunday, May 7, Fourth Sunday of Easter 9:30 am Our Parish Community 11:15 am First Communicants

READINGS FOR May 6/7

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Second Reading: 1 Pt 2:20b-25 Gospel Reading: Jn 10:1-10

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON-FRI Office Hours 9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon				
TUE	7:35pm	Parish Pastoral Council Mtg – Library		
	7:35pm	C.W.L. Executive Meeting - Seminar		
WED	7:00pm	5 p.m. Choir Practice – Church		
	7:00pm	9:30 a.m. Choir Practice – Seminar		
THU	10:45am	Quest Scripture Study – Library		
	7:00pm	Seminar of Hope – Library		
		Finance Committee Meeting - Rectory		
SAT	7:00pm	Altar Servers Appreciation – Elmira Bowl		

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:

Rev. Robert Stainsby
Rev. David Reilander
Religious of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Rev. Andrew Quarshie
Rev. David Weise
Most Rev. Daniel Miehm, D.D.

MINISTRIES for May 6/7

Eucharistic Ministers 5pm Erl Andersen, Stewart Logan, Tim Baillargeon

9:30am Laura & Peter Antonello, Sandi Hutchinson

Hospitality

5pmKieran & Geoff Kelly, Marianne Kieswetter, Jodi Sereres9:30amLinus & Pat Ditner, Ed & Carol Kieswetter

Altar Servers

5pm Patsy Pond, Phil Milan

9:30am Ellen Siebel-Achenbach, Michèle Siebel-Achenbach, Ryan Diemert, Joseph Ditner

5pm Kevin Dupuis 9:30am Matthew Griffin Tom O'Marra Commentator

Marianne Kieswetter Wally Malcolm

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira) May 7 Trudy & Ray Denomme

Sign Ministry

May 1 Sandi Hutchinson

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister May 3 Marianne Kieswetter

FOODBANK NEEDS

Chunky Beef Soup and Canned Meats

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

The St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Women's League will again be hosting its **ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY TEA** on **Saturday, May 13th** from 1-3 p.m. at St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There are door prizes, bake & penny tables, and of course tea and dessert! Keep this date in mind. This is an open invitation for everyone (men too) to come out for an enjoyable afternoon to honour our Mothers. Please see signup sheets in the narthex to help out with the Mother's Day Tea and Bake Sale.

The ECUMENICAL PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

GATHERING is on **Tuesday**, **May 9th**, **2017** from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Doors open at Noon. If you are involved in Prayer Shawl Ministry or would like to learn about it, please plan to attend. This event is being hosted by Our Lady of Lourdes (Waterloo) Prayer Shawl Ministry and St. Teresa of Avila (Elmira) Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Teresa of Avila Church, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. Anne Jamieson, Director of Catechesis Office, will be our guest presenter. Wear your own personal shawl and bring shawls to display. There will be a free-will offering. Prayer Shawl knitting and crochet books will be available for sale. Please register by contacting Mary Jane at mj.yaeger@confinequip.ca. or by calling 519-669-2963.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2017 begins on Sunday,

April 30th. The Catholic schools in our parish are celebrating publicly-funded Catholic education! This gift has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served the Waterloo Region, Ontario, and Canada very well. This year's Catholic Education Week theme is **Walking Forward Together**. Our guiding quote for 2017 is taken from Micah 6:8 - "Do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with your God." We are hoping it will help us all to acknowledge the important role of justice and solidarity, especially with our Indigenous peoples. We also hope to focus on caring for our environment, the poor and marginalized, and all those who work to protect our common global future.

St. Michael's C.W.L. will hold its **ANNUAL CARD PARTY** on **Tuesday, May 2nd** in the Parish Centre, 240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo. A fun night will include card games, great food and a raffle. Raffle prizes are: Water Painting of a River Scene - Canadian Artist, Painted Table Runner -Local Artist, Pewter Treasure Cups and Gift Basket with Wine. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Lunch at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$10.00/person. Draws at 9:00 p.m.

SERRA CLUB OF KITCHENER WATERLOO invites you to join us on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 to hear a presentation by Dr. Josephine Lombardi. Dr. Lombardi is well known as a Professor of Theology at St. Augustine's Seminary along with her work in radio and television. She is an esteemed author and recently appointed Theologian for a new Religious Education curriculum for Catholic School Boards in Ontario. The theme of her talk will be "Mary", a most appropriate topic for the month of May dedicated to the Blessed Mother. Please join us at 7:15 p.m. for dessert and coffee prior to her talk at St. Teresa Parish Hall, 44 Leonard St. Kitchener. Free will offering will be collected and it is not necessary to register. If you wish join with Serra members at 5:00 pm for our Holy Hour, Mass and dinner prior to her talk, please call Mary Helen Stroeder at 519 570 4375 to register. Cost for dinner is \$15.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, May 4, 2017** from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com.

St. Teresa (Kitchener) C.W.L. **12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE** on **Thursday, May 4, 2017** from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. We invite you to join us in prayer as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life and to show support for increased availability and funding for palliative care. Mass is at 8:30 a.m. and will be offered for this intention and specific prayers, rosary and time for meditation will be offered hourly throughout the day. Benediction and Way of the Cross Today: Reflections on Suffering in Sickness and Dying will be at 3:00 p.m. and guest speaker, Dr. Michael Casey, local palliative care physician will present at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Social time at 8:00 p.m. will conclude the day. For further information please call Mary Helen Stroeder 519-570-4375.

38TH **ANNUAL KW WALK FOR LIFE** - Join us on **Saturday, May 6, 2017** as we walk 3k to help support the KW Right to Life Education programs. The walk begins at Historic St. Paul's at 10:30 a.m. Registration is at 10 a.m. There will be good food and prizes. Please either call the KW Right to Life Office (519-746-5433) or go to the website at kwrtl.ca to get your pledge sheets or just call the office to pledge someone else who will be doing the walk.

GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE WALK FOR LIFE -

Join the Guelph & Area Right to Life Walk for Life on

Saturday, May 6, 2017 and help bring a pro-life message to our communities, and support life-saving education and outreach. Join us at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph with registration at 9:30 a.m. and the walk to follow at 10 a.m. with lunch to follow. Or join us at the Maranatha Canadian Reformed Church in Fergus with registration at 1 p.m. and the walk at 1:30 p.m. with a BBQ and facepainting to follow.

KEVIN COATES AND THE INTERESTING PEOPLE IN CONCERT on **Saturday, May 6**th at 7 p.m. at Floradale Mennonite Church, 22 Florapine Road, Floradale. Join us for a great evening of music in support of MCC's work in Palestine and Israel. Freewill donation. Intermission with light refreshments. Opening with singer-songwriter Nichelle Bauman.

Men interested in learning about the **PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION PROGRAM** in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to attend the information session on **Sunday, May 7, 2017** that will take place at St. Michael Church in Waterloo. The meeting will be held after 11:00 a.m. Mass. To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Peter Gittens at 905-528-7988, ext. 2258 or by email at <u>diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

There are two opportunities to catch a bus for the **NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE IN OTTAWA**.

- A bus will leave Kitchener on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 5:30 a.m. Pick-up is at Fairview Park Mall Kitchener at the Walmart parking lot. Park at the far end of the parking lot up against Fairway Road. (near Hwy 8). Cost is \$20. Call the office at 519-746-5433 or email kwrtl@golden.net to book your seat.
- A bus will will depart at 5:15 a.m. from the Basilica of Our Lady parking lot, returning to Guelph at approximately 9 p.m. A ticket for the day trip is \$20. To reserve a ticket, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or infor@guelphforlife.com.

MOTHERS' DAY BREAKFAST hosted by St. Clement's Church, St. Clements to be held on **Sunday, May 14, 2017** from 8 a.m. to 12 Noon at St. Clements Community Centre, 1 Green Street, St. Clements. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults; \$8.00 for children 12 & under; and children 2 and under are free. For tickets call Stacey Maher at 519-699-4774/email staceylmayer@gmail.com or jrothfischer@outlook.com..

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Lk 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you	For the		
measure you give will be measured back to you."			
Offertory collection for April 22/23:	\$3,379.15		
Average per envelope:	\$33.30		
Electronic funds for the week:	\$1,166.25		
(based on 4 Sundays per month)			
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,632.00		
Thank you!			

