

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

April 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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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
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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

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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. ✠

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MAY 1ST

<p>Tuesday, May 2, 7:05 pm +Mrs. Theresa Vellimoozhayil; Mike & Sharon Noel +Gord Lewis; Pat Garton <i>Christ was made human that we might be made God. – St. Athanasius</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, May 3, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>True spiritual life consists in this: that one keep one's eyes on God all the time, long for nothing but for God, keep nothing in mind but God, begin every single action in the Lord's name, and direct it to him. – St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria</i></p>
<p>Thursday, May 4, 10:00 am – School Mass +Frank Koebel; Theresa & Wes Grosz & Family <i>There is no need for us to go abroad on account of the kingdom of heaven, nor to cross the sea for virtue. For the Lord has told us before, the kingdom of God is within you. – St. Anthony of Egypt</i></p>
<p>Friday, May 5, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>It is by the path of love, which is charity, that God draws near to us, and we to God. But where charity is not found, God cannot dwell. If, then, we possess charity, we possess God, for "God is charity". – St. Albert the Great</i></p>
<p>Saturday, May 6, 5:00 pm +John Schill; Estate +Patricia Runstedler; The Family</p>
<p>Sunday, May 7, Fifth Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill 2:00 pm Maryhill – First Communion</p>

READINGS FOR May 6/7

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7
 Second Reading: 1 Pt 2:4-9
 Gospel Reading: Jn 14:1-12

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 7:30 pm **Confirmation Session** – Hall
WED 7:00 pm **Garden Party Committee Mtg** – Library
FRI, SAT 9:00 am **Scone Baking for Tea** – Hall
SAT 12:00–3:00 pm **K of C Exemplification Ceremony**
 4:00 pm **5 pm Choir Practice** - Church

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., May 1	Rev. Joe Selvanayagam
Tues., May 2	Rev. William Foote
Wed., May 3	Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate
Thurs., May 4	Rev. Terence Sehl
Fri., May 5	Rev. Scott Whitfield
Sat., May 6	St. Francois De Laval, Patron of the Bishops of Canada

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 May 6/7

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Patsy Pond
 9am Rick Weishar

Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Marianne Kieswetter
 9am Adrian Miltenburg, Mike & Sharon Noel

Lector

5pm Tom O'Marra
 9am Ellen Siebel-Achenbach

Commentator

Patsy Pond
 Iris Miltenburg

Children's Liturgy

Apr 30 Theresa Mendler, Sandi Hutchinson

Sign Ministry

May 1 Pat Ditner

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

May 1st is International Workers' Day. It is celebrated in many countries. It can be a day to recognize the value of human work, defend the dignity of working people, encourage all to be responsible in their work, and celebrate the role that human work has in God's plan for creation.

Our Parish Community is looking forward to our young people receiving their First Holy Communion this Sunday. Keep them in your prayers.

Please keep a healthy appetite for Saturday, May 13th for our Elegant Afternoon Tea. Please come and join us.
 Fr. Peter

Join us for an **ELEGANT AFTERNOON TEA** on **Saturday, May 13th** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. Come and enjoy the ritual of an authentic English Afternoon Tea. There are two sittings: 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person. For tickets please contact the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 or email stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com. There will be handcrafted scones with jam and devon cream, delicately filled sandwiches, delicious mini desserts and a choice of traditional teas. If gluten free is needed please request this when you purchase your ticket. Tickets are on sale after Masses.

The C.W.L. will be hosting an **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.

The **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** are pleased to invite parishioners to a special, in-person, ceremony of admission and advancement, known as an **EXEMPLIFICATION**. This beautiful ceremony harkens back to the simple ceremonies first approved in 1882 by our founder, Father McGivney and advances new and existing members through the lessons of Charity, Unity and Fraternity required for the third degree.

It is scheduled for **Saturday, May 6th** beginning at 12:45 p.m. in the church, here at St. Teresa's. A social event after the ceremony will be held either outside or in the church library so that everyone can meet our council's newest 3rd degree members and their families.

Come see firsthand, the organization that husbands, fathers, brothers, sons and friends are joining — the principles and values they are committing to and why it matters.

The Knights of Columbus "**ROSES FOR LIFE**" CAMPAIGN is on **Saturday, May 13th** at the 5 p.m. Mass and **Sunday, May 14th** at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The new re-designed Rose Lapel has a red and white rose. The red rose signifies our opposition to abortion while the white rose is a symbol opposing euthanasia. Please pick up a "Rose Lapel" and make a donation to support pro-life organizations.

GARDEN PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS – For this year's Garden Party to be held on Friday, September 15, 2023 we are in need of prizes with a value of at least \$100 or more. Prize donations may be dropped off at the church office by calling the church office at 519-669-3387 or emailing stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com to **commit to supplying a prize**. The **deadline** to record all prizes is **Wednesday, May 17, 2023**. Thank you for your support.

VOLUNTEERS FOR GARDENING – Do you enjoy gardening? Would you have one day a week for about 4 hours on a Wednesday or Thursday morning to help with gardening at St. Teresa's? We would appreciate your help. If you can't make it every week perhaps every second week would even work. We would love to have you join us. If you are interested in joining our Gardening Workers, please call 519-669-3387 or email the Parish Office at stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2023 is **April 30th – May 5th, 2023**. This year's Catholic Education Week theme is "We are Many, We are One". The Catholic Education Week biblical quote is, "We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members, one of another" Romans 12:5. Check out the live stream of the Provincial Mass on May 3rd at 1:30 p.m. where the Mass will take place at St. Michael's Cathedral.

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.:

- **STAND TALL**, for ages 7 -9, in-person group, on **Mondays, May 1, 8, 15, 29, June 5, 2023** from 5 – 6 p.m. There is a \$100 fee. Further subsidies are available if needed.
- **SUPPORTING SOMEONE WITH DEPRESSION**, adult workshop, no cost, virtual workshop, on **Tuesday, May 2, 2023** from 7 – 8 p.m.
- **EMPOWERING THE GIRL IN ME**, ages 10 – 12, in-person group, on **Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2023** from 5 – 6 p.m. There is a \$100 fee. Further subsidies are available if needed.

- **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP**, adult session, no cost, in-person sessions, on **Thursdays, May 4 and June 1, 2023** from 1 – 2 p.m.
- **MINDFULLNESS LUNCH BREAK**, adult virtual group, on **Tuesdays, May 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2023** from 12:30 – 1 p.m. There is a \$50 fee. Further subsidies are available if needed.
- **TALKING MENTAL HEALTH WITH OUR KIDS**, Parenting Workshop, no cost, virtual workshop on **Thursday, May 11, 2023** from 7 – 8 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.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, May 4th** from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. opposite Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome and urged to come to pray and to be a witness for God's unborn babies being aborted. Will you be their witness today? If you cannot physically attend, would you devote an hour to praying? Please pray for an end to abortion and pray for the conversion of hearts. Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com or call 519-742-9025.

Join us for **HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS** every Friday from May 5th to September 29th from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **May 5th** the trucks will be at the **Gale Presbyterian Church, Elmira**. Proceeds support our group of participating churches. Check out www.facebook.com/HeavenlyEatsFoodTrucks each week to see which church and what trucks are there.

BUS TO MARCH FOR LIFE TORONTO – Friday, May 12, 2023 - KW Right to Life will travel by bus to Toronto to participate in the March for Life. The bus leaves the Walmart Parking Lot at Fairway Park Mall at exactly 10:30 a.m. on May 12th and returns to Kitchener by 6 p.m. Reserve your seat or sponsor a seat for someone who would like to attend. Cost is \$30 and the bus has a washroom. Students ride free. Reserve a bus seat now by calling 519-746-5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca.

Support **BIG FRIENDS OF BIG SISTERS** at a card party on **Wednesday, May 17th** from 12 noon until 4 p.m. Get a group together and join us at the Polish Legion, 601 Wellington St. N., Kitchener. Tickets are \$25. Enjoy an afternoon of cards, draws and lots of prizes including a light lunch and refreshments. All proceeds go to support our local youth. For more information, please contact Diane at 519-648-2432 or dstrickler@continuum.org.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for April 22/23:	\$3,224.80
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$31,972.18

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