

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

April 4, 2021

Easter Sunday

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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

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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

75 First St. W., Elmira
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St. David Catholic Secondary 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



✠ Please remember our benefactors and those who have left bequests in your prayers. ✠

EASTER SUNDAY

MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 4TH

Tuesday, April 6, No Mass <i>Love transforms one into what one loves. – St. Catherine of Siena</i>
Wednesday, April 7, 7:05 pm +Sharon Soeder; Luann & Bryan Mahn <i>Often remind yourself that you are in the presence of God. – St. John Baptist de la Salle</i>
Thursday, April 8, 12:05 pm +Agnes Laturski; Danielle Pilon <i>It is love alone that gives worth to all things. – St. Teresa of Avila</i>
Friday, April 9, 9:00 am +Lucy Bertin; Sharon Both <i>When we see a beautiful object, a beautiful garden, or a beautiful flower, let us think that there we behold a ray of the infinite beauty of God who has given existence to that object. – St. Alphonsus Liguori</i>
Saturday, April 10, 5:00 pm +Edna Zinger; Colleen Weber +Rita Graff; Knights of Columbus Council 8192
Sunday, April 11, Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday 9:30 am Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR APRIL 10/11

First Reading: Act 4:32-35
Second Reading: 1 Jn 5:1-6
Gospel Reading: Jn 20:19-31

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., April 5 Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.
Tues., April 6 Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto, C.S.Sp.
Wed., April 7 Oblates of Mary Immaculate, O.M.I.
Thurs., April 8 Rev. Allen Varlaki
Fri., April 9 Rev. Paul Edmondstone
Sat., April 10 Rev. Jerzy Tomon

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 10/11

Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Marilyn Hurlburt
9:30am Carol & Ed Kieswetter, Adrian Miltenburg

Lectors

5pm Peggy Kelly-Kulaga
9:30am Linda Bruder

Sign Ministry

Apr 6 Nancy Lucier

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.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Shampoo, Deodorant and Canned Pasta

EASTER MESSAGE

I want to thank all the volunteers, all parishioners and the Parish staff for making this a beautiful Lenten season and for the sharing of your time and talent. Together we make this a very vibrant and pastoral community. God bless you all!!!

My Easter wish is that our Lenten journey has brought us one season closer to that intimacy with God, giving us the courage to trust in providence just a little bit more in this life, to rely just a little less on sin, and to face up to that ultimate journey to God with just a little more confidence. Together we are on the right path. We are Easter people.

Let the Easter Gospel resound this year while there is silence in our cities. Apostle Paul says, "and He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him Who died for them and was raised again" (2 Cor 5:15).

Let us continue to care for one another.

The Lord is risen indeed! Help me, Lord, to live this next year closer to you.

Father Peter

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 8, 15, 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 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2021 from 5 – 6 p.m.
 - **Conquering Teen Anxiety – Ages 12-14, a Teen Anxiety Group** on April 6, 13, 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 loyolahouse.com (under "Events") for more information on these upcoming retreats and programs:

The Psalms Weekend Retreat - April 16-18 - with Greg Kennedy, SJ

8-Day Directed Retreat - April 22-30

The Little Prince Retreat - May 7-9 - with Greg Kennedy, SJ

"See, I am Making All Things New" 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 is called **LIFE ON OUR PLANET** showing on **Thursday, April 22nd** 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 in-person 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 pro-life 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 **42ND ANNUAL KW RIGHT TO LIFE WALK FOR LIFE** is on **Saturday, May 29th**. 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 – The glorious Solemnity of the Resurrection of Christ proclaims, forever, that life is greater than death. Jesus commanded us to preach; this good news to all peoples in all places at all times. If you feel God is calling you to minister in His Church as a priest, religious or deacon, contact Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at vocations@hamiltondiocese.com or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2246.

WOOLWICH COMMUNITY SERVICES UPDATE

- Their Free Income Tax Clinic began on March 1st until April 30th and is available to those with limited income who live in Woolwich Township or Northern Wellesley Townshp. This year the program is offered by appointment only. Please call 519-669-5139 to see if you qualify and/or to book your appointment.
- Woolwich Community Services is also giving out mindfulness kits for children and youth, given from the Woolwich Counselling Centre. You can obtain them through the Food Programs. If you are interested in receiving one please call 519-669-5139.

GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE VIRTUAL FUNDRAISING DINNER CAMPAIGN

– In lieu of Guelph and Area Right to Life's Annual Fundraising Dinner, they have prepared a video inviting you to hear updates about the impact of their pro-life projects. This fundraising dinner campaign accounts for a significant portion of donations towards their lifesaving efforts. Due to COVID-19, they are unable to host their annual complementary fundraising dinner at the Mandarin, but hope to do so next year. View their fundraising campaign video here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EjSozB6rZ1k>.

This year, the fundraising goal in support of local pro-life projects is \$15,000. For more information on how you can donate to support the pro-life cause in Guelph and Area, visit <http://guelphforlife.com/donate.html> or call 519-836-6311.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for March 2728:	\$3,428.50
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project:	\$137,074.25
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