

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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Office Hours:
Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.,
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

Colleen Jack Debbie Yutzi
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Karolina Amos Ken Gallipeau
Michele Way

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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.

April 7, 2024
Second Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy)

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. ✠

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)

MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 8th

Tuesday, April 9, 7:05 p.m. +Colleen & Ron Weber; Estate + Marian Haid; Doris & Mike Snelling <i>A joyful heart is like the sunshine of God's love, the hope of eternal happiness. – St. Teresa of Calcutta</i>
Wednesday, April 10, 9:00 a.m. – Maryhill <i>God asks little but he gives much. – St. John Chrysostom</i>
Thursday, April 11, 12:05 p.m. +John Lojek; Tom & Bonnie O'Marra +Laverne Logel; Judy & Marcella Furlong <i>Peacefully do at each moment what at that moment ought to be done. If we do what each moment requires, we will eventually complete God's plan, whatever it is. We can trust God to take care of the master plan when we take care of the details – St. Katherine Drexel</i>
Friday, April 12, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>It is better to be a child of God than a Kin of the whole world. – St. Aloysius Gonzaga</i>
Saturday, April 13, 5:00 pm +Marie Bolzon; Adriano & Lori Stradiotto +Frank Walter; Estate
Sunday, April 14, Third Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR April 6/7

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
 Second Reading: 1 Jn 2:1-5
 Gospel Reading: Lk 24:35-48

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., April 8	The Annunciation of the Lord
Tues., April 9	Rev. Allen Varlaki
Wed., April 10	Permanent Deacons
Thurs., April 11	Rev. Rajesh D'Souza O.C.D.
Fri., April 12	Rev. Jerzy Tomon
Sat., April 13	Parents & Guardians

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE	6:00 p.m. First Communion Session 7:35 p.m. CWL General Meeting
WED	6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Practice -Church 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
THU	7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. (Elmira)

MINISTRIES for April 13/14

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm	Tim Baillargeon, Phil Milan
9am	Ron Stemmler, Iris Miltenburg, Rick Weishar

Hospitality

5pm	Greg Goetz, Sue Goetz
9am	Adrian Miltenburg, Mike & Sharon Noel

Lector

5pm	Kevin Dupuis
9am	Jim Goll

Commentator

Patsy Pond
Wally Malcolm

Children's Liturgy

Apr 14 Linda Bruder, Ken Gallipeau

Sign Ministry

Apr 8 Pat Ditner

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For the new martyrs – We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Baked Beans, Canned Salmon & Tuna, and Rice

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Easter Blessings to you and your families. May the Risen Lord continue to live in your hearts. I want to thank all St. Teresa staff and volunteers for all their hard work over the Lenten and Easter Season. I could not do anything here without the help from ALL OF YOU.

Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice. Let us have eyes that look upon Your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell Your good news to the world.

Fr. Peter

SPAGHETTI DINNER – KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS,

COUNCIL 8192 – The Spaghetti Dinner is to be held on **Friday, April 19, 2024**, beginning at 5:00 p.m. with takeout at 4:30 p.m. It will be continuous seating until 7:30 p.m. Please consider volunteering 1-2 hours for this worthwhile event. Your help will be needed for ticket sales, preparation, set up/take down and during the evening of the event. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Cost \$15.00 for Adults, \$8.00 for Children (6-12), Free for Children (5 & Under) \$40.00 for a Family of 4. Advance tickets are available until April 17, 2024. Please reserve your tickets by calling the Church Office at 519-669-3387. Tickets will be on sale as of April 3, 2024 and will also be available at weekend Masses.

The C.W.L. of Canada has a **NATIONAL BURSARY**

FUND. Applications must be submitted to the national office and postmarked by May 15th. A C.W.L. member must be in her third consecutive year of membership or any year thereafter, in order to apply. The maximum bursary award is \$1,000 per year, per applicant, for a maximum of \$4,000 over a member's lifetime. For further information, criteria and guidelines, etc. please visit www.cwl.ca.

Woolwich Counselling Centre presents

- **OPTIMIZING OUR MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLNESS AS WE AGE**, no cost, in-person sessions on **Thursdays, April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2024** from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- **CONNECTING MIND AND BODY FOR KIDS**, Ages 4-6, in-person group, **Thursdays, April 11 – May 9, 2024** from 5-6 p.m. Fee is \$100. Further subsidies available if needed. Please bring yoga mats.

• **STRENGTHENING CHILDREN'S EMOTION-REGULATION SKILLS**, Parenting Virtual Workshop, no cost, on **Wednesday, April 17, 2024** 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.

“**TASTE OF DIVERSITY**” **DINNERS** return to the Ignatius Jesuit Centre! Get ready for a wonderful night of bountiful food, community spirit, and making a difference! We are thrilled to present to you the revitalized Taste of Diversity dinners on **Tuesday, April 9th and Wednesday, November 13th**. Cost is \$100 each or \$180 for both. Find out more and register online or call 519-824-1250 ext. 241. Space is limited.

LECTURES IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE – St. Jerome's University, Waterloo hosts a series of public lectures each year on a variety of important and prevalent topics within Catholic life. On **Monday, April 15th**, Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ will be speaking on the topic of science and truth. For more information on the Lectures in Catholic Experience and to explore recordings of previous lectures, you are invited to explore the St. Jerome's Website at <https://www.sju.ca/LCE>.

COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE! 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:

- **Journeying through Grief One-Day Retreat** - April 11th.
- **Unplug to Reconnect Retreat** – April 16th – 18th.
- **The Everyday God: Finding God in our Sacred Stories One-Day Retreat** – April 19th.
- **Courage, Compassion, Climate Change: Early Earth Day Event** – April 21st.

Register online at loyolahouse.com or by calling 519-824-1250 ext. 266 or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca.

STEP/BLENDED FAMILY: SMART STEPS FOR BUILDING FAMILY **Saturday April 20, 2024** from 9:15-3:30 p.m. Are you a parent or step-parent adjusting to blended family life? Smart Steps offers practical insights and suggestions on how to make relationships work well for all. This workshop series is designed to assist all parents and step-parents who are adjusting to blended family life. Sessions will be held at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. Register online: hamiltondiocese.com/events/ or call the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. The cost is \$50.00 per person and includes lunch.

St. Anthony Daniel Catholic Women's League presents **AN APRIL AFTERNOON BRIDGE & CARD PARTY** on **Wednesday, April 24th, 2024** at St. Anthony Daniel Parish, 29 Midland Drive, Kitchener. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with lunch at 12:00 noon. There is lunch, refreshments and

prizes. Tickets are \$20 per person. For tickets, please contact St. Anthony Daniel Parish office at 519-893-6960 on Monday to Friday from 9 – 12 noon or 1 – 4 p.m. or Linda Howey at 519-893-2534. Tickets are ideally sold in groups of four.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL – April 25th 7:00-9:00p.m. Please join us for the screening of *Bigger Than Us*. The film follows youth activist Melati Wijsen as she travels the world to meet other young activists like herself, striving to make the world a better place. Guest speaker Peter Mahfouz from Caritas Lebanon will speak to his work supporting their communities. **The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom.** Register at <https://reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com/>. A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, economic injustices.

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 26, 2024** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is now available online at hamiltondiocese.com.

RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE – What it means to “set out” is going to look different for each one of us based on what is going on in our life right now and the choices we face. It won't be something we can control or predict. But if we are willing to set out, we will meet the Risen Jesus, just like the disciples, and we will become part of the Easter story today. Fr. Raphael Ma CR, Vocation Team; resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com.

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 the 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. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Are you a man 18 years of age or older who is a practicing Catholic and interested in helping those in need, serving our parish and growing in our faith? Then why not join our Knights of Columbus council. Become part of the largest Catholic fraternity in the world, supported by a true brotherhood built on shared values and a shared desire to be the man God has called us to be. Please email us at: gk8192@ontariokofc.ca and help put faith in action.



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