St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

Feast of the Holy Family

December 30, 2018

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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



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 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 Frank McGuire Fr. David Lewis Ken Gallipeau Leona Weishar Lisa Denomme

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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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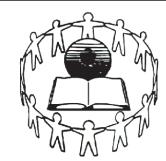
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

MASSES FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 31ST

Monday, December 31, 5:00 pm

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

+John Schill; Marcella & Judy Furlong

Tuesday, January 1, 10:00 am

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Our Parish Community

Wednesday, January 2, St. Jacobs Place

+Bernard Dietrich; Estate

The bread in your cupboard belongs to the hungry; the coat unused in your closet belongs to the one who needs it; the shoes rotting in your closet belong to the one who has no shoes; the money which you hoard up belongs to the poor.

– St. Basil

Thursday, January 3, No Mass

By always turning your eyes on our Lord in meditation, your whole soul will be filled with him. - St. Francis de Sales

Friday, January 4, No Mass

We've had enough exhortations to be silent. Cry out with a thousand tongues. I see the world is rotten because of silence. – St. Catherine of Siena

Saturday, January 5, 5:00 p.m.

+Vicky Rau; Paul & Barb Grosz

+Leonard Zinger; Doug & Marlene Hahn

Sunday, January 6,

Solemnity of The Epiphany Of The Lord 9:30 am Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR January 5/6

First Reading: Is 60:1-6
Second Reading: Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel Reading: Mt 2:1-12

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON – FRI

Office Closed

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., Dec 31 Rev. Peter Meyer Tues., Jan 1 Rev. Jim Petrie

Wed., Jan 2 Holy Cross Fathers, C.S.C.

Thurs., Jan 3 Rev. Kevin Cull Fri, Jan 4 Rev. Stephen Gilbert Sat., Jan 5 Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.

MINISTRIES for Jan 5/6

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Tim Baillargeon, Stewart Logan, Judy Furlong 9:30am Isabella Maher, Cheryl Dunn, Dianne McGuire

Hospitality

5pm Geoff & Kieran Kelly, Mike & Doris Snelling

9:30am Peter Antonello, Sharon Both, Ed & Carol Kieswetter

Altar Servers

5pm Patsy Pond

9:30am Caleb Antonello, Joseph Ditner, Heike Elliott, Amber

Elliott

Lectors

5pm Peggy Kelly 9:30am Paul Shutsa

Sheila Bauman

Commentator

Marianne Kieswetter Alex Glofcheskie

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Jan 6 Stewart Logan

Sign Ministry

Dec 31 Lucier Family

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Jan 2 Marianne Kieswetter

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Shampoo, Deodorants (men and women), Kleenex

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Confirmation: A Parent Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, January 10**th **at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Teresa of Avila Church. If your child attends a public school and is in Grade 7 please contact the Parish Office.

We will be offering SESSIONS COVERING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH for

those who would like to explore the possibility of being Baptized and/or Confirmed in the Catholic faith. No commitment is called for to begin. The sessions are offered as an opportunity to explore and will be held on Saturday mornings from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. All of the teachings are summaries of the essentials of the Catechism. If you are interested please speak to Father David or pick up a registration form from Donna in the parish office.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES – Please pick up your box of Offertory Envelopes for the Year 2019, which are available in the hallway. If you wish to receive a box of envelopes place your name and address in the collection basket.

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors is on **Thursday, January 10, 2019** from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 Charles Street East, Maryhill. Admission is \$2 per person. Karen Coviello, Chief Executive Officer, Habitat for Humanity will speak about "Building Homes and Hope". For information contact Joan Haid at 519-648-2742 or jehaid@netflash.net.

ST. DAVID CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADE 8 PARENT AND STUDENT INFORMATION

NIGHT – Any students who live within the St. David Boundary and are planning to attend Grade 9 in September 2019 are invited to the Grade 8 Parent and Student Information Night on **Thursday**, **January 10**th

from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please come with your parents to visit St. David and see all of the wonderful programs that we offer. Grade 8 students attending public school are also invited with their parents to this information session.

THEOLOGY ON TAP will be hosting its 3rd event of the season, on Tuesday, January 15th from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Albion Hotel, in Guelph. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Hamilton Diocese, will be speaking on the topic "Living Life in a Throw Away Culture". Free finger food will be provided. A special invite goes out to young adults between the ages of 19 and 40. All are welcome. For more information, please visit us on Facebook "Theology on Tap Guelph" or contact us at Theologyontapguelph@gmail.com.

The Waterloo Catholic District School Board is currently accepting **APPLICATIONS FOR OCCASIONAL TEACHERS.** Please visit the website for job details and application criteria: www.wcdsb.ca.

VOCATION SEEDS – By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamilitondiocese.com.

A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: OFFICE HELP AT BIRTHRIGHT – We are in urgent need of more help at the office. Could you spare a few hours a month to help us? If you enjoy a relaxed pace, helping people and being involved in a pro-life organization we want to hear from you! If interested please contact Birthright at 519-579-3990. Please keep us and those of KW facing unplanned pregnancies in your prayers. May God bless you!



JOIN US if you are a Catholic man 18 years or older and you wish to become closer to your family or if you wish to strengthen your faith or just want to give back to your community, we have something for you in the

Knights of Columbus Council 8192. If interested contact Adrian Miltenburg at adrian.miltenburg@gmail.com. MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - Marriages that are cared for reap rewards as the years pass: both people feel connected and in love; children feel secure in the love of their parents; they share times of joy and an ability to pull together when trials present themselves. Couple care includes spending time together, using good communication skills, and asking each other, "What are we doing well, what could we be doing better." The rewards for continuous care of your marriage are endless! From Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

FREE COMMUNITY CARE CONCEPTS EXERCISE CLASSES FOR SENIORS – No registration is required and drop-ins are welcome! These classes are held in Woolwich Township at

- The Meadows, 29 Water Street South, St. Jacobs on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
- Duke Street Apartments, 28 Duke Street, Elmira on Monday from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
- St. James Lutheran Church, 60 Arthur Street
 South, Elmira on Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30
 4:30 p.m.
- Valley View, 1070 Printery Road, St. Jacobs on Monday and Thursday from 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.
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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 December 8/9: \$3,913.25

Average per envelope: \$32.37

Electronic funds for the week: \$1,151.25

(based on 4 Sundays per month)

Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,632.00

Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$56,357.00

Thank you!



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