

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

December 9, 2018

Second Sunday of  
Advent

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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  
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

#### Building & Finance Committee

Fr. David Lewis

Diane Smith

Jason Adams

Kris Kauk

Maria Diemert

Rick Weishar

Sebastian Siebel-Achenbach

#### Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

#### Knights of Columbus

Adrian Miltenburg

#### Vocations

Contact [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca) or  
[www.resurrectionist.net](http://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

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 ADVENT

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

<p><b>Tuesday, December 11, 6:00 p.m.</b>  <b>+Henry Donkers;</b> St. Teresa's C.W.L.  <i>The best way to discern if our prayer is authentic is to judge to what extent our life is being transformed in the light of mercy. – Pope Francis, Gaudete et Exsultate, 105</i></p>
<p><b>Wed., Dec. 12, 11:45 a.m. – St. David's High School</b>  <b>+Kazimiera Poczatek;</b> Estate  <i>If you are what you should be, you will set the world ablaze. – St. Catherine of Siena</i></p>
<p><b>Thursday, December 13, 12:05 p.m.</b>  <b>Intentions of Michael Bertin;</b> Lucy &amp; Armand Bertin  <i>The primary condition for a fruitful and rewarding Advent is renunciation, surrender. We must let go of all our mistaken dreams, our conceited poses and arrogant gestures, all the pretenses with which we hope to deceive ourselves and others. – Alfred Delp, SJ</i></p>
<p><b>Friday, December 14, 9:00 a.m.</b>  <b>+Ken Bender;</b> Mike &amp; Wendy Hicknell  <b>9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.</b> Adoration  <i>The Father uttered one word: that word is his Son. And he utters him forever in everlasting silence; and in silence the soul has to hear it! – St. John of the Cross</i></p>
<p><b>Saturday, December 15, 5:00 p.m.</b>  <b>+Greg &amp; Mary Kelly;</b> The Family  <b>Intentions of Sharon Kraemer;</b> Imelda Schelter</p>
<p><b>Sunday, December 16, Third Sunday of Advent</b>  <b>9:30 a.m. Our Parish Community</b>  <b>7:00 p.m. Advent Prayer Service</b></p>

#### Altar Servers

5pm Phil Milan  
 9:30am Casey Dronick, Joseph Ditner, Heike Elliott, Amber Elliott

#### Lectors

5pm Peggy Kelly  
 9:30am Iris Miltenburg  
 Leona Weishar

#### Commentator

Kevin Dupuis  
 Wally Malcolm

#### Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Dec 16 Debbie Yutzi

#### Sign Ministry

Dec 10 Lucier Family

#### Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Dec 19 Ann Staines

#### 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



#### READINGS FOR December 15/16

First Reading: Zep 3:14-18a  
 Second Reading: Phil 4:4-7  
 Gospel Reading: Lk 3:10-18

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

<b>TUE</b>	6:00pm	<b>C.W.L. Mass &amp; Potluck</b> – Church & Hall
<b>WED</b>	3:15pm	<b>Children's Choir Practice</b> - Church
	7:00pm	<b>5:00 p.m. Choir Practice</b> – Church
	7:00pm	<b>9:30 a.m. Choir Practice</b> – Seminar
<b>THU</b>	10:45am	<b>Scripture Study</b> – Rectory

#### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

##### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., Dec 10	Rev. Lech Wycichowski, C.R.
Tues., Dec 11	Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R.
Wed., Dec 12	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate, C.M.I.
Thurs., Dec 13	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Fri, Dec 14	Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.
Sat., Dec 15	Rev. David Perrin

#### MINISTRIES for December 15/16

##### Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Stewart Logan, Tim Baillargeon, Judy Furlong  
 9:30am Rick Weishar, Pat Ditner, Sandi Hutchinson

##### Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly, Mike & Doris Snelling  
 9:30am Carol & Ed Kieswetter, Ron Stemmler, Adrian Miltenburg

*The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every Parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Answers to a set of Frequently Asked Questions appear in Parish bulletins regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at [oneheartonesoul.ca](http://oneheartonesoul.ca).*

#### **Who will actually conduct the campaign at each Parish?**

*The Diocese, with the help of the Steier Group, will manage the overall campaign effort, including the preparation of materials. At each Parish, the Pastor will identify campaign leaders who will work with the Steier Group. Those Parish leaders will help recruit other volunteers to form a campaign team that will conduct the personal visits and other elements that are the key to the success of the campaign.*

#### **How much help with the campaign can our Parish expect to get from the Diocese and the consulting firm?**

*The Diocese will pay the financial costs of the campaign. Parishes will not be responsible for any campaign expenses such as postage, printing or diocesan events held at the parish. If a Parish hosts an event to promote the campaign to its parishioners, the Parish will bear those costs. In addition, several Steier Group campaign managers will guide the Parishes through the campaign process. Each Parish will be assigned to one of four "waves." The Parish will be responsible for forming a team of volunteers that implements the necessary elements of the process.*

**How long will this take?** *On a diocesan level, the entire campaign will run through early 2021. On a Parish level, there will be four campaign "waves." A Parish's particular*

wave will run for six to seven months. That includes preparation, solicitation and follow-up phases. The active solicitation period will last three to four months.

**What happens if our Parish doesn't hit its financial goal?** A clergy committee will implement policies that all parishes will follow on such questions. There will be incentives for Parishes to reach their goals. Parishes not reaching their goals face the prospect of not being able to complete needed projects.

**C.W.L. POT LUCK SUPPER - Tuesday December 11<sup>th</sup> after the 6:00 p.m. Mass** - don't forget your secret sister! ALSO please remember to bring your own plate, cutlery & mug. We are in need of a few volunteers to help set up the hall. Anyone who is available, please meet in the hall on December 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.

**C.W.L. MEMBERSHIP – IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!** Ladies age 16 and up - join or renew your membership for only \$25. Please include cash or a cheque made out to St. Teresa of Avila C.W.L. along with your name, address, phone number and email address in an envelope marked C.W.L. and return to the church office or drop in the collection basket.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COATS FOR KIDS** – If you know of someone who **needs a warm winter coat** who is in Grades 1 – 8, girl or boy, please contact either Donna at the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 or Adrian Miltenburg at 519-669-1414.

**COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES FOR ADVENT:**  
Tues., December 11<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m., St. Agatha, St. Agatha  
Thurs., December 13<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m., St. Clement's, St. Clements  
**Tues, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m., St. Teresa of Avila, Elmira**

**ADVENT EVENING OF PRAYER** - On **Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>** our parish will have an Advent Evening of Prayer. We invite all parishioners to come and spend half an hour in quiet Evening Prayer on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the church.

We need your **HELP TO DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS** on **Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 11:15 a.m. There will be Coffee Sunday following the 9:30 a.m. Mass where we can have Christmas goodies. The decorating will begin after the Coffee Sunday as there is a Baptism after Mass. If you can help, please sign the sheet in the narthex or call the Parish Office at 519-669-3387.

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

December 24<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.  
December 25<sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.

**NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES**

December 31<sup>st</sup> – 5:00 p.m.  
January 1<sup>st</sup> – 10:00 a.m.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for the Christmas and New Year's Masses. Please contact the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 if you are able to help.

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS:** The C.W.L. is bringing back the Keep Christ in Christmas car magnets! These magnets can be used on your car, fridge, mailbox, front door or any metal surface. They will be available after Masses (or in the library any time) for a cost of only \$5.

**C.W.L WARMTH & COMFORT PROJECT** (homeless theme) – Directive for this new campaign is for C.W.L. councils to collect socks – for men, women and children and collect jars of peanut butter and boxes of crackers to donate to homeless shelters and needy in our own community. The project runs from October 1<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The goal is to collect from all C.W.L. councils in Ontario 2,019 socks for 2019! We need your help! Donations can be put in the homeless boxes that are in the coatroom.

**The 40TH ANNUAL ADVENT NOVENA - AN INVITATION TO PREPARE WELL FOR CHRISTMAS:** Nine daily Masses at 6:30 a.m. at St. Agnes Church, 75 Bluevale St. N., Waterloo, **Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**. There will be breakfast in the Parish Centre following Mass on Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. A free will offering will be taken for St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers. Note exception: Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> you are welcome to attend your own church on this day or St. Agnes at 9 or 11 a.m. Make this Advent a special time of preparation for Christmas by joining your Twin-City friends who have been keeping this Advent tradition for many years. Bring along a friend! Everyone is welcome! Plenty of time to get to work afterwards! Coffee and fellowship following each Mass celebration.

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors, is on **Thursday, December 13, 2018** from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 Charles Street East, Maryhill. Admission is \$2 per person. Sandra Bray, Sustainable Activist, will speak on "Going Green While Going Grey". For information contact Joan Haid at jehaid@netflash.net.

Join Klaude Walters & Johnny Gibson for **CHRISTMAS MAGIC GALA OF SONGS** at Holy Rosary Church, 175 Emma Street, Guelph with special guests Holy Rosary Church Choir on **Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>** at 8 p.m. Free Will Offering.

**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 1/2:** \$3,128.50  
**Average per envelope:** \$27.36  
**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:** \$55,030.00  
**Thank you!**

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