# St. Teresa of Avila

# Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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Deacon: Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

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 (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 Dan Lauzon

#### **Building & Finance Committee**

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith Maria Diemert Rick Weishar Sebastian Siebel-Achenbach

#### **Catholic Women's League**

Barb Vodicka

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Frank McGuire

#### **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.

February 13, 2022
Sixth Sunday of
Ordinary Time



#### 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

519-885-1340 Website: stdavid.wcdsb.ca

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



#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>

#### Tuesday, February 15, 7:05 pm

+Catharine Kurt; Marie Snelling

While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart. – St. Francis of Assisi

#### Wednesday, February 16, 9:00 am

+Joanne Moser; Judy & Marcella Furlong

Renounce yourself in order to follow Christ. – St. Benedict

#### Thursday, February 17, 12:05 pm

+Buster Ertel; Betty Ertel +Justyn Huehn; Betty Ertel

True virtue has no limits. – St. Francis de Sales

### Friday, February 18, No Mass & Adoration

Do something, get moving, risk new things, stick with it, get on your knees, then be ready for big surprises. – St. Angela Merici

#### Saturday, February 19, 5:00 pm

+Mary Kelly; The Family

+Giovanni Bellissimo; Maria Bellissimo

Sunday, February 20, 9:30 am Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Our Parish Community** 

#### **READINGS FOR February 19/20**

First Reading: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:45-49 Gospel Reading: Lk 6:27-38

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 7:00 pm 9:30 am Choir Practice – Church THU 6:45 pm Knights of Columbus Executive Mtg 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting 7:30 pm Reconciliation Class Zoom Meeting

# LIVING ROSARY INTENTION FOR RELIGIOUS SISTERS AND CONSECRATED

**WOMEN** – We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

# HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., February 14
Tues., February 15
Wed., February 16
Thurs., February 17
Fri., February 18
Sat., February 19

Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic
Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Discalced Carmelite Sisters, O.C.D.
Rev. Louis DeVaugelas, L.C.
Rev. Jerek Scherber, L.C.
Rev. Adam Zettel, L.C.

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

Canned Meat (Ham, Turkey, Chicken) and Canned Fish (Tuna & Salmon)

#### **MINISTRIES for February 19/20**

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

5pm Phil Milan 9:30am Peter Antonello

#### Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt, Marianne Kieswetter 9:30am Ron Stemmler, Adrian Miltenburg, Anne Hanley

### Lector

5pm Connie Kaster 9:30am Dianne McGuire

#### Commentator Lisa Denomme

Lisa Denomme Larry Glofcheskie

My Dear Parishioners,

This Monday is February 14<sup>th</sup>, Valentine's Day. We pray to St. Valentine that he will bless all of our relationships with love, kindness and goodness and lead us to a better relationship with God, our Heavenly Father. Happy Valentine's Day everyone! We hope this day is filled with happiness and generosity towards one another.

Praying that you and your family stay safe and well!

Fr. Peter

### **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING** – Liturgical

Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2022 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Year of Amoris Laetitia Family – Hamilton Diocesan Series – Join us for the next topic, "THE WITNESS OF FAITH IN THE HOME" on February 16, 2022 from 7

– 8:30 p.m. The speaker is Connie Clark, author of numerous books, booklets and articles for parents, catechists, teens and kids. Sharing engaging personal stories, encouragement, and practical ideas, Connie helps families recognize their beautiful, vital role in the Christian community and in the family of God. She will focus on these four guidelines from the Directory of Catechesis that

parents/grandparents/teachers/aunts and uncles can use to guide their families as they grow in faith:
Awaken the sense of God; Take first steps in prayer;
Form consciences; Understand Christian love as a reflection of God's love. Go to the Diocesan website for information and to register at

https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/ or contact Theresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250

The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region invites you to join in on a virtual event – "TECH MEETS PARENTING: A BALANCING ACT:"

on **Thursday**, **February 24th** from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. This family-focused event will explore our relationship with technology. We will discuss the importance of and tactics around being a good role model and setting boundaries at all ages. Space is limited, register at https://www.ccfowr.org/speakerseries.

Join us on **February 24, 2022** from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. for "AFTER THE STORM: BUILDING THE POPE FRANCIS VILLAGE", part of the Reel Justice Film Festival! The film documents the transformational journey of 550 families in Tacloban, Philippines following the devastation of Super Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. In the aftermath of this natural disaster, Development and Peace - Caritas Canada, supporting local organizations, transformed a piece of land into new homes, a new community, and new lives. This documentary is a celebration of the fruits of your solidarity with our brothers and sisters in the Global South. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/ to view our 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!

The COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR is a fantastically fun, family friendly walk-a-thon that raises money for people experiencing homelessness, hurt, and hunger. This year will certainly look different again with the Covid-19 pandemic. However, we are committed to offering two options in the most responsible manner, following all COVID protocols. There will be an in-person fully outside option on Saturday, February 26th and also an option to walk virtually. You can register a team of 8-10 people to walk and raise money for Woolwich Community Services. You can register your church or individuals/families can also register their own teams. Each walker is encouraged to raise a minimum of \$150 per adult and \$75 per youth. There is no registration fee for walkers this year. Every walker who raises either \$75 (youth 17 and under) or \$150 (for adults) gets our famous Coldest Night toque. If you choose to walk virtually we will notify you of where to pick up your toque closer to the event date. Our goal in the Walk is to raise \$75,000 with the support of 20+ teams and 200+ walkers. If you have questions contact Leigh-Anne Quinn at 519-669-5139 or email leighanne\_wcs@yahoo.ca.

DEATH AND DYING – LET'S TALK ABOUT IT – This workshop is led by Anna Racine and is on Saturday, February 26, 2022 from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. and includes lunch at Mt. Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls, ON L2G 7B7 Call 905-356-4113 to register. Cost is \$65. Do you find it difficult to talk about the topic of death and dying? If so, you are not alone. Having discussions about your own death and the death of others brings up many uncomfortable emotions so we tend to shy away from it. This workshop is designed to help start

those conversations. An opportunity to explore your feelings in a supportive and comfortable environment. Find tools to discover what death and dying means to you as a way to live a more open, honest and meaningful life. "Increasing our awareness of death helps us to make the most of our lives today."

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** – Save the date! 40 days of prolife prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil will be starting around the world on **March 2**<sup>nd</sup>. Locally, there will be a prayer vigil in downtown Guelph. For information on how to become involved and save lives in Guelph, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph.

MARRIAGE SUPPORT – Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

**RESTART** – Starting over after separation or divorce with support, care and tools for your journey. We invite you to check out the Diocesan website at: https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php to see the programs we offer and to find out **dates of the new programs in early 2022**. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

SANCTUARY OUTREACH IS HIRING – Guelph & Area Right to Life is looking for a new project coordinator for their pregnancy support program, Sanctuary Outreach (SO). This is a part-time position with semi-flexible daytime weekday hours and the position will begin in **May 2022**. For more information, please call 519-836-6311, email info@guelphforlife.com, or view the job posting.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for February 5/6: \$4,106.50
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$73,746.51
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