

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

February 19, 2023

Seventh Sunday of
Ordinary Time

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Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm



Mass Times

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am

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
Debbie Yutzi
Fr. Peter Meyer
Ken Gallipeau
Dan Lauzon

Building & Finance Committee

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
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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.

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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. ✠

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19th

<p>Tuesday, February 21, 7:05 pm <i>Let the serenity of your spirit shine through your face. Let the joy of your mind burst forth. Let words of thanks break from your lips. _ St. Peter Damian</i> Marcella Furlong; Debbie Yutzi +Calvin Shantz; Maurice Downey & Diane Dietrich +Betty Schill; K of C Council 8192</p>
<p>Wednesday, February 22, Ash Wednesday St. Teresa School Liturgy 9:00 am St. Teresa Mass 7:00 pm +Rita Klein – Marcella & Judy Furlong St. Boniface Mass 7:00 pm</p>
<p>Thursday, February 23, 12:05 pm <i>The vigour with which you resist the enemy will be the measure of the reward that will follow the combat. – St Ignatius of Loyola</i> +Elaine Geffros; Trudy & Ray Denomme +Frank Walter; Estate</p>
<p>Friday, February 24, <i>Walk with your feet on the earth, but in your heart be in heaven. – St John Bosco</i></p>
<p>Saturday, February 25, 5:00 pm +Jackie Downey; Kay Bouzane & Family +Rita Graff; Allan, Jane, Jeanne & Steve +Sharon Soeder; Verna & Gord Walz</p>
<p>Sunday, February 26, 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill</p>

Wed., February 22	Ash Wednesday
Thurs., February 23	Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.
Fri., February 24	Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.
Sat., February 25	Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For parishes -We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need

FOODBANK NEEDS

Juice, Peanut Butter & Lipton Cup-A-Soup

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I would like to thank the Knight of Columbus and ALL who helped make the spaghetti supper a great success. Again like a few years ago there was very little left, so we can't wait for the next one! **THANK YOU ALL!**

Fr. Peter

ASH WEDNESDAY – This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. An important season of the church where we are preparing for Easter. It is called Ash Wednesday because we are marked with ashes in the sign of the cross on our foreheads. This reminds us we are all children of God. This is one of two days for fasting (eating less) and abstinence from meat. Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer. Lent is an opportunity for us to grow in our faith both personally and within our community. Join us for Ash Wednesday Mass, on February 22nd @ 7 p.m.

Join us for the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (before Mass) beginning February 28th.

2022 TAX RECEIPTS - Tax receipts for the 2022 year are ready for pick up in the hallway.

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY....There are some new & interesting books in the library for your study & reading pleasure. We now have new books in the life of St. Teresa of Avila, St. Theresa of Lisieux and many more of our Great Saints. Also, with Lent upon us there are many books in the Prayer section to help guide us through this penitential season in preparation for the experience of EASTER!

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED MEMEBERS OF KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS - On Sunday February 26, 2023, Father Hugh MacKinnon, Council 8192, Memorial Mass will be held at the 9:00 am Mass to honour our deceased members. To Brother Knights, please wear your name badge and form an honour guard to walk into church together.

CWL AROUND THE LENTEN CIRCLE - All parishioners are invited to gather around the Lenten circle for small group discussions. For six Monday evenings we will read and reflect on the scriptures for the five Sundays of Lent and Palm Sunday, share our thoughts and experiences, and feed our body and soul as we prepare to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. Monday February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20

READINGS FOR February 25/26

First Reading: Gn 2:7-9,3: 1-7
 Second Reading: Rom 5:12-19
 Gospel Reading: Mt 4:1-11

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON 7:00 pm **CWL-Lenten Circle** -Library
TUES Lunch **St. T School Pancake Lunch**
 7:00 pm **Parish Council Meeting** - Library
WED 9:00 am **St. Teresa School Liturgy**
 7:00 pm **Ash Wednesday Mass**
THURS 7:00 pm **CWL Mother's Day Tea Planning Meeting**-Library
SAT 4:00 pm **5:00 p.m. Choir Practice** – Church

MINISTRIES for February 24/26

Eucharistic Ministers
 5pm Kieran Kelly
 9am Rick Weishar

Hospitality
 5pm Marianne Kieswetter & Debbie Yutzi
 9am Rick & Leona Weishar, Adrian Miltenburg

Lector	Commentator
5pm Kevin Dupuis	Patsy Pond
9am James Ready	Iris Miltenburg

Sign Ministry
 Feb 21 Kieran Kelly

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., February 20 Rev. James Link, C.R.
 Tues., February 21 Rev. David Mowat, C.R.

and 27 from 7 - 8 pm in the Library, please join us for these small group sessions, followed by snacks and fellowship. Hosted by the St. Teresa CWL. All are welcome! For more info contact Alice Soeder at alice_soeder@hotmail.com or 519-669-1859.

RELIEF AID FOR TURKEY & SYRIA -On behalf of Msgr. Murray Kroetsch, Chancellor and Vicar General, please see the bulletin insert with detailed information on how to donate to earthquake relief efforts in Turkey and Syria.

FUNERAL CHOIR – We are looking to enhance our Funeral Choir with new members for this important Sacrament. If you have time to share your gift of music with this choir and would like more information contact the church by email @ stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com, or call 519-669-3387.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING – Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2023 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL- February 23, 2023 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Join us for a film screening, featuring two short films that highlight challenges and approaches to affordable housing. **A Better Tent City** follows a group of dedicated individuals, including those living rough, service providers, community members and municipal staff, working together to create a self-organized housing community in Kitchener, ON. **Safe** explores the housing and opioid crises through the stories of tenants that live in Indwell affordable housing units, available for people experiencing poverty because of their mental health and/or substance use disorders, in Hamilton, London, Woodstock, Simcoe and Mississauga. Both films focus on the necessity for low barrier housing, community building, and respect for our shared home.

Special discussion following the screening with **Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Pastor at St. Mary, Kitchener** speaking about his work and ministry with **Tiny Homes and A Better Tent City**, as well as with **Jess Brand, Indwell regional manager for Hamilton** discussing the community engagement, programs, and initiatives offered through Indwell to provide supportive affordable housing.

The screening and discussion will be hosted online. R.S.V.P. and view our full schedule of events at: reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/

THE LEGACY OF FRANCIS' PONTIFICATE A TEN YEARS FROM HIS ELECTION - March 9, 2023 | 7:30 p.m. | SJU's Notre Dame Chapel (SJ1)

Register in advance for IN PERSON attendance only. Live Stream option available on this page on the evening of the lecture, for those unable to attend in person.

About the Lecture

Dr. Massimo Faggioli's lecture will try and offer an assessment of Pope Francis' pontificate at ten years from his election on March 13, 2013. Among the topics addressed by the lecture: Francis' ressourcement of Vatican

II against traditionalism and fundamentalism; the relationship between the Church and the world, between internal issues and global challenges; the handling of the abuse crisis; the turn to a "synodal Church". The presentation will offer a few insights on the historical and theological meaning of Pope Francis' pontificate. Complimentary parking - accessible - refreshments served prior to the lecture. **Tickets:** Please go to the SJU's website and click on the link.

CARD PARTY - St. Anthony Daniel Parish CWL is hosting a Card Party in April and is hoping that you will be able to either include a note in your bulletins and/or hang the flyer from your bulletin boards. Please see the attached. Tickets are now available for our annual card party on Wednesday, April 26th in the Parish Life Centre. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with lunch served at 12:00 noon. Cost is \$15 per person which includes lunch, refreshments, and prizes and lots of fun playing your favorite game with friends. Plan to join us. Hosted by our CWL. For tickets contact the parish office at 519-893-6960 or Linda Howey at 519-893-2534.

CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA - Our annual fundraiser is scheduled for April 27, 2023 and this year we have a wonderful 1940s theme complete with a Big Band and a menu that will bring back a sense of nostalgia for some of you and a wish to be born in more simpler times by others. Most importantly, the Gala gives us an opportunity to introduce and re-introduce to you, Catholic Missions In Canada. Catholic Missions In Canada is one of the best kept secrets to our Canadian Catholic community. In 2023 we are starting an awareness campaign. People need to know that in most areas in Canada, religious services like Mass, baptism, religious instruction, confession and so on, are not readily available. **People need to know that CMIC exists to advance and sustain the Catholic faith in Canada...and they need to know that they can help.** We would really love to see you and we would really appreciate it if you could bring somebody along so that they can learn what we are all about and have a great evening as well.

There will be individual ticket sales and sponsorship and donation opportunities. **Invitations will be in the mail shortly.** If you wish to know more about the Gala and the sponsorship opportunities available now visit the website @www.cmic.info

COFFEE SUNDAY'S - Please join us for fellowship after mass on Sunday mornings. Scheduled Sunday's.
February 26th
March 19th – Celebrate St. Patrick & St. Joseph
April 23rd

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for February 11/12	\$3,642.50
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$84,741.10
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