

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

February 20, 2022

Seventh Sunday of
Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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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
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Building & Finance Committee

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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

75 First St. W., Elmira
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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 21ST

Tuesday, February 22, No Mass <i>God loved us before he made us; and his love has never diminished and never shall. – Julian of Norwich</i>
Wednesday, February 23, No Mass <i>Each of us has a vision of good and of evil. We have to encourage people to move towards what they think is good. Everyone has their own ideas of good and evil and must choose to follow the good and fight evil as one conceives them. That would be enough to make the world a better place. – Pope Francis</i>
Thursday, February 24, No Mass <i>Do not be disheartened by your imperfections, but always rise up with fresh courage. – St. Francis de Sales</i>
Friday, February 25, No Mass & Adoration <i>May the God of love and peace set your hearts at rest and speed you on your journey. – St. Raymond of Penyafort</i>
Saturday, February 26, 5:00 pm +Marie Kraemer; Nancy Kamberidis +Lucy Bertin; Armand Bertin
Sunday, February 27, 9:30 am Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR February 25/26

First Reading: Sir 27:4-7
 Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:54-58
 Gospel Reading: Lk 6:39-45

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 7:00 pm **9:30 am Choir Practice** – Church
THU 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 21	Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
Tues., February 22	Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.
Wed., February 23	Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, R.S.J.C.
Thurs., February 24	Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony
Fri., February 25	Rev. Felix Nwatu
Sat., February 26	Rev. Piotr (Peter) Machnacki

FOODBANK NEEDS

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

MINISTRIES for February 26/27

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Erl Andersen
 9:30am Laura Antonello

Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly
 9:30am Ray Denomme, Rick & Leona Weishar

Lector

5pm Peggy Kelly-Kulaga
 9:30am James Ready

Commentator

Marianne Kieswetter
 Wally Malcolm

My Dear Parishioners,

If you have a family member who is aged or infirm and would like to receive communion at home please contact the Parish Office.

Praying that you and your family stay safe and well!

Fr. Peter

Pope Francis wants all of us to be a part of discerning the mission of the church. The church values all contributions to this discussion group and wants individual input. The Diocese of Hamilton is asking us to speak boldly and honestly with your feedback. All voices, young and old, are important. We would like to invite you to a **DISCUSSION GROUP** regarding the Synod. Please join us on **Tuesday, March 15th** following the 7 p.m. Mass. Please register with the Parish Office by telephone (519-669-3387) or email (StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com). We would also appreciate your input. We will also provide information for individual input at a later date.

Join us for the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (before Mass) beginning March 8th.

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.

MANAGING YOUR FINANCES IN RETIREMENT on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

This session focuses on helping people manage their finances in retirement. Topics include the art of budgeting, sources of retirement income, stretching your retirement resources and common retirement strategies. Please join Michael Banham, as he explores these important topics to help you transition and live in retirement. Registration is required. To register, please email Halee at hradford@wchc.on.ca. Visit the website or click “register online” at www.wchc.on.ca or call 519-664-3794 or 519-656-9025.

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/speaker-series>.

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.

HEALTHY COOKING FOR ONE on **Tuesday, March 1, 2022** from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. If you live alone, you are most likely cooking for one. In this session, you will learn some simple ways to cook for one person,

including strategies for grocery shopping, storage and cooking once to last many meals. This is a free event. Registration is required. To register please email Halee at hradford@wchc.on.ca. Visit the website or click “register online” at www.wchc.on.ca or call 519-664-3794 or 519-656-9025.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – Save the date! 40 days of pro-life prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil will be starting around the world on March 2nd. 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.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH – Children of all ages, but especially very young children, take their clues on how to respond to the world for the most part from their parents. No one will have a greater impact on your child. So, as you go about your day, know that your children are watching and listening to everything you say and do and taking lessons from you. Communicate about actions, life, the faith, on a day-to-day basis to help solidify what is important. Check your own actions and remember silence is consent, so if hear or see something that you know is wrong, speak up and tell your children why. We need goodness in our world and you have the power to teach it.

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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for February 12/13:	\$3,238.75
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$74,036.51

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