St. Teresa of Avila Roman Catholic Church

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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 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 519-669-8843 Fax 519-669-4509

St. David Catholic Secondary School 4 High Street, Waterloo

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

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

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



MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25TH

Tuesday, February 26, 7:05 pm +Gerard Bruder: Judy Furlong

Health is God's great gift, and we must spend it entirely for him. Our eyes should see only for God, our feet walk only for him, our hands labour for him alone; in short, our entire body should serve God while we still have the time. – St. John Bosco

Wed., February 27, 10:30 am – Barnswallow Place +Mario Tonizzo: Ines Tonizzo

If we're afraid to be different how can we make a difference in the world? – St. Ignatius of Loyola

Thursday, February 28, 12:05 pm +Vicky Rau; Colleen Weber

Let us not grow tired of prayer. Confidence works miracles. – St. Therese of Lisieux

Friday, March 1,

9:00 am Intentions of Father David Lewis; A Parishioner

9:30 am – 12:30 pm Adoration You learn to speak by speaking, to study by studying, to run by running, to work by working, and just so, you learn to love by loving. – St. Francis de Sales

Saturday, March 2, 5:00 p.m.

+Theresa Hahn-Siemon; Leroy Siemon +Karen Goetz; Greg & Sue Goetz & Family

Sunday, March 3, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 am Our Parish Community First Communion Class

READINGS FOR March 2/3

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

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

- TUE7:35pmConfirmation Class (after Mass)WED7:00pm5:00 p.m. Choir Practice Church
7:00pm7:00pm9:30 a.m. Choir Practice Seminar
- THU 7:00pm Bible Study Library

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., Feb 25	Rev. David Weise
Tues., Feb 26	Rev. Tom Moisan
Wed., Feb 27	Catholic Single Adults
Thurs., Feb 28	Rev. Pablito Labado
Fri., Mar 1	Very Rev. Wayne Lobsinge
Sat., Mar 2	Rev. Tim Theriault

MINISTRIES for Mar 2/3

Eucharistic Ministers

5pmKathy Ziegler, Steve & Patsy Pond9:30amCharlotte Mueller, Ron Stemmler, Iris Miltenburg

Hospitality

5pmKieran & Geoff Kelly, Mike & Doris Snelling9:30amEd & Carol Kieswetter, Bill & Anne Hanley

Altar Servers

5pm Kevin Dupuis

9:30am Katelyn Grosz, Evan Grosz, Rachel Grosz, Allyson Cassidy

Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin 9:30am Joan Coutu Lisa Denomme **Commentator** Phil Milan Larry Glofcheskie

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira) Mar 3 Trudy & Ray Denomme

Sign Ministry

Feb 25 Kieran Kelly

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister Mar 6 Marianne Kieswetter

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Chunky Soups and Canned Fruit (not pineapple)

The **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically. This recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, our community. Sponsored by the Women's Inter-church Council of Canada and its national counterparts around the world. It is celebrated in approximately 165 counties.

The **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE** will be held on **Friday, March 1st** at 7 p.m. at Elmira Mennonite Church, 58 Church Street West, Elmira. This year's program was written by women from Slovenia on the theme "Come – Everything is Ready" based on Luke 14: 15-24. Everyone is welcome.

C.W.L WARMTH & COMFORT PROJECT – Results - We asked for socks, jars of peanut butter and boxes of crackers to help meet a provincial goal of 2,019 socks for 2019! You were all so generous. We collected 252 pairs of socks, 27 jars of PB and 25 boxes of crackers and donated them locally! Our donation totals went towards the provincial totals that far exceeded their goal. Province wide, 37,465 pairs of socks, 2,812 jars of PB and 2,896 boxes of crackers were collected! **THANK YOU** so much for your support!

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **FISH FRY** on **Friday**, **March 22**, **2019** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating – 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Take out will be at 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Cost is Adults \$16.00; Children (12 & under) \$8.00; and Take Out is \$16.00. Advanced tickets are available until March 20th. Purchase your tickets at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m. or call (519) 669-3387. Tickets will be on sale beginning **March 2nd/3rd**. Don't miss out on this popular annual dinner. Proceeds go to the Knights of Columbus Charities. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help with the Fish Fry on March 21st and 22nd.** Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex beginning March 2nd/3rd. Please consider volunteering your time to help out with this worthwhile event. Thank you.

St. Teresa of Avila is hosting **NAILED IT NITE** on **Saturday**, **March 30th** from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the church hall. For \$55 you can choose between 4 wood crafts to make and keep, with all materials provided. Seating is limited to 35 people, and registration can be completed by going to https://naileditnite.typeform.com/to/rXfVim. Light snacks will be served. Proceeds will go to the Building Maintenance Project.

The **DONATION RECEIPTS** are ready for pick up in the Narthex. **THANK YOU** for your support.

The next **ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE WITH TAIZE SONGS** is **Sunday, February 24th** at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 248 Highland Road East, Kitchener.

The next **LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE** is on **Friday, March 1, 2019** at Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre at St. Jerome's University Academic Centre at 7:30 p.m. Sr. Helen Prejean, C.S.J. will speak on "Ministry Against the Death Penalty". Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Free of charge but please register at www.sju.ca/Ice. Free parking. Wheelchair accessible. Refreshments served.

A TASTE OF DIVERSITY takes place March 5th, May 22nd and November 13th at Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, 5420 Hwy 6 N., Guelph. There are three dinners from around the world. Cost is \$60 for each dinner or \$150 for all three! Space is limited. For tickets call 519-824-1250 ext. 241 or email officecoordinator@ignatiusguelph.ca. Dinner themes include Shrove Tuesday with a Ukrainian flair, A Taste of Italy and English cuisine. Sign up early as these dinners are popular and often sell out.

LOCAL VOCALS is a fun, short commitment 8-week community choir. Singing in a choir is a proven health and social benefit. Woolwich Healthy Communities, along with Tony Domzella (Choir Director) and Nancy Stayzer (Pianist) invite youth and adults of all musical levels to take part. Invite some friends to join you. Rehearsals and Performance Location is at Trinity United Church, Elmira. **Rehearsals are Tuesdays (7:00 - 8:30 p.m.) from March 19th - May 7th.** The Performance Date is Friday, May 10th at 7:00 p.m. This includes the Breslau, Bloomingdale and Maryhill Concert Band and follows the Community Can Dine meal at Trinity. **Pre-Register by March 5th** to nancy.stayzer@gmail.com. Participation Fee is \$20, payable at first practice. Hope to see you there!

From March 6th to April 14th Christians around the world will be joining together for **40 DAYS OF PRAYER, FASTING, AND PEACEFUL VIGIL TO END ABORTION**. Guelph & Area Right to Life is looking for volunteers to assist with their local efforts! For more information, contact at info@guelphforlife.com, 519-836-6311 or visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph. The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, March 7, 2019** from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com.

Join us for a **LENTEN PREPARATION – OUR LIFE IN COMMUNITY – SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE REFLECTION** on **Tuesday, March 12th** from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Parish Centre, Waterloo. How do we understand 'community' in our modern world? How do we live as community in the Church? What can we learn from the early Christian community? Join us for a reflection on Our Life in Community through the lens of the illumination of the Saint John's Bible. Dr. Anne Jamieson, Director of Catechesis for the Diocese of Hamilton will lead us in this retreat steeped in the Word of God. This session will help guide us as we prepare for Easter. Sponsored by St. Michael's C.W.L. All are welcome (men and women). Bring a friend along.

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2019? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS** on **Sunday, June 9, 2019** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 p.m. Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance. Please refer to the poster in the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

VOCATION SEEDS – The Lord calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. If 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.

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 February 2/3:	\$2,479.00	
Average per envelope:	\$25.20	
Offertory collection for February 9/10:	\$2,971.08	
Average per envelope:	\$30.00	
Offertory collection for February 16/17:	\$3,094.15	
Average per envelope:	\$28.88	
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:	\$59,885.15	
Thank you!		

