

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

February 25, 2018
Second Sunday of Lent

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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 (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

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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
registration package in the church foyer.

Bulletin Deadline

Written submissions by Monday noon.

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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 LENT

MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26TH

<p>Tuesday, February 27, 6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (C.W.L.) 7:10 p.m. Intentions of Kay Bouzane; Armand & Lucy Bertin <i>Beauty grows in you to the extent that love grows, because charity itself is the soul's beauty. – St. Augustine</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, February 28, 10:30 a.m. Barnswallow Place +Bernard Dietrich; Estate 7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Lenten Prayer Service <i>Have confidence in prayer: It is the unfailling power which God has given us. – St. Peter Eymard</i></p>
<p>Thursday, March 1, 12:05 p.m. Intentions of Father David Lewis; A Parishioner <i>One of the greatest injustices in the contemporary world consists precisely in this: that those who possess much are relatively few and those who possess almost nothing are many. – Pope John Paul II, Sollicitudo Rei Socialis, 28</i></p>
<p>Friday, March 2, 9:00 a.m. Mary Rongits; Bob Rongits 9:30 – 12:30 a.m. Adoration <i>Don't have a 'small town' outlook. Enlarge your heart until it becomes universal, 'catholic'. Don't fly like a barnyard hen when you can soar like an eagle. - St. Josemaria Escriva</i></p>
<p>Saturday, March 3, 5 p.m. +Betty Walter; The Family +Laura Logel; Doug Logel</p>
<p>Sunday, March 4, 9:30 a.m. Third Sunday of Lent Our Parish Community</p>

READINGS FOR March 3/4

First Reading: Ex 20:1-17
 Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:18, 22-25
 Gospel Reading: Jn 2:13-25

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

THU 10:45 am **Scripture Study** - Rectory
 7:00 pm **Medieval Art & Architecture** – Church

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., February 26	Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Tues., February 27	Rev. Thomas Murphy, L.C.
Wed., February 28	Soeurs du Sacre-Coeur de Jesus
Thurs., March 1	Rev. Todd Arsenault, L.C.
Fri., March 2	Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto, C.S.Sp.
Sat., March 3	Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma

MINISTRIES for March 3/4

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Tim Baillargeon, Phil Milan, Judy Furlong
 9:30am Sharon Both, Lisa Denomme, Isabella Maher

Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Jodi Sereres, Greg & Brent Goetz
 9:30am Bill & Anne Hanley, Linus & Pat Ditner

Altar Servers

5pm Patsy Pond
 9:30am Jordyn Kelly, Daniel Kelly, Heike Elliott, Amber Elliott

Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin
 9:30am Leona Weishar
 Jack Soeder

Commentator

Kevin Dupuis
 Larry Glofcheskie

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Mar 4 Stewart Logan

Sign Ministry

Feb 26 Pat Ditner

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Mar 7 Marianne Kieswetter

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Juice Boxes and Canned Fruit (not pineapple)

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: There is one more insert in our bulletin today. It is a **PRAYER CARD** with the Peace Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi. Please pray this every week of Lent for peace in the global south of our planet. In the Share Lent **MINI MAGAZINE** this 2nd week of Lent, read about Nigeria, a country where forced evictions are carried out violently. Those concerned are not warned or consulted. They are not compensated for losing their homes nor is alternative housing provided. Our Development and Peace partner in Nigeria trains community leaders to work with some of the most marginalized communities. Please check out the Lenten suggestions for March 4th – 10th in your **SOLIDARITY CALENDAR**.

C.W.L. NEWS FOR LENT - This grace-filled season of Lent, members of the Catholic Women's League will be involved in leading Stations of the Cross, both here at the parish on Tuesday, February 27th, as well as at Chartwell on Wednesday afternoons. C.W.L. members are involved as the parish hosts an Ecumenical Lenten Prayer Service on Wednesday, February 28th here at St. Teresa's, and we encourage all our members to attend these services at a different church each Wednesday in Lent. We invite our members to participate in the Scripture Study on Thursday mornings and the Special Lenten Project on Medieval Art and Architecture on Thursday evenings. In addition to these events, members of the Catholic Women's League are praying together daily. Members receive an email with a prayer for each day that week, and we pray it in solidarity with each other on this Lenten journey. If you have not received the first email of these prayers and would like to, please contact Alice Soeder, 519-669-1859 or alice_soeder@hotmail.com. May this Lent renew each of us through God's mercy.

SPECIAL LENTEN PROJECT – St. Teresa Parish, Elmira will be offering a series of talks on Medieval Art and Architecture during the season of Lent. The remaining Thursday evenings are **March 1st and March 8th** at 7 p.m. in the church. Please join us.

The Catholic Women's League will be leading the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Wednesday of Lent at Chartwell at 3:15 p.m. in the Activity Room. Please join us.

Join the **"CALL FOR CONSCIENCE"** in the Hamilton Diocese - The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to participate in ending the lives of their patients. The Diocese of Hamilton wants to protect the rights of all healthcare workers. To learn more visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca, write a letter to your Provincial Member of Parliament and consider adding your e-mail address to the Conscience Coalitions network to receive future information. This "Call for Conscience" takes place between February 6th and March 31st.

ADORATION FOR LIFE – Come, let us adore Jesus in the Eucharist – Console his heart Wounded by abortion and sins against the Sanctity of Life. Come join us on **Friday, March 2nd** from 6:00 p.m. – 7 p.m. at St. Teresa's Church Adoration Chapel, 44 Leonard Street, Kitchener and **Saturday, March 3rd** from 11 a.m. – 12 noon at St. Mary Our Lady of Seven Sorrows, 56 Duke Street, Kitchener (side entrance). Call K-W Right to Life for more information at 519-746-5433. Prayer and fasting are the first and most effective weapons against the forces of evil. Mt 4:1-11

The next Elmira and District Ministerial Association **WEDNESDAY EVENING ECUMENICAL LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE** for Wednesday, February 28th at 7:00 p.m. is here at St. Teresa's with speaker Paul Dyck.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, March 1, 2018** 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.

The next **LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE** is on **Friday, March 2, 2018** at Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre, St. Jerome's University at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Douglas Cardinal, O.C., PhD (h.c.), Architect will speak about "Organic Architecture And The Indigenous Worldview".

LENTEN RETREAT, A TIME FOR RENEWING OUR FAITH – Where is my faith? What am I most grateful for when it comes to faith? How can I dispose myself more to this precious gift? St. Anne's Parish, 268 East Avenue, is hosting a Lenten Retreat on **Saturday, March 3, 2018** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Facilitated by Rev. Toby Collins, C.R.

Woolwich Community Health Centre is offering a **SAFETALK WORKSHOP** at the Woolwich Community Health Centre (WCHC) on **Wednesday, March 7th** from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This is a suicide-alertness workshop. There is no charge but registration is required and space is limited. This training prepares people 15 years and older to

identify persons with thoughts of suicide, recognize invitations, and take action by connecting a person at risk with life-saving intervention resources. Participants will learn to move beyond common tendencies to miss, dismiss or avoid suicide; identify people who have thoughts of suicide and apply the TALK steps (Tell, Ask, Listen and KeepSafe) to connect a person with suicidal thoughts to suicide first aid and intervention caregivers.

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors is on **Thursday, March 8, 2018** at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 Charles Street East, Maryhill. Admission is \$2 per person. Larry Wainwright, Lions Club Member and his 4-legged companion, Ottis will talk about "Seeing Life Through Blindness". For information contact Joan Haid at 519-648-2742 or jehaid@netflash.net.

Come and bring a few friends to the **ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARD PARTY** at St. Agatha Church Hall on **Sunday, March 11, 2018** at 2:00 p.m. Door prizes, draws and a delicious Beef Stew Luncheon. Admission is \$10/person includes stew, rolls, beverage and dessert squares. Cash Draw and Raffle Draw during luncheon at 4:30 p.m. For more information email: stagathacwl@gmail.com.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2018? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 10, 2018** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (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 on the bulletin board for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

VOCATION SEEDS – If you need examples of persons responding to God's call, look at Abraham and Sarah – called in old age to leave their country and have a child. Then Abraham was asked to sacrifice that child. What faith! Answering God's call to be a priest, brother, sister or deacon is also taking a great risk. If you are willing, and think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email mking@hamiltondiocese.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 10/11:	\$2,686.00
Average per envelope:	\$26.03
Offertory collection for February 17/18:	\$2,825.30
Average per envelope:	\$25.41
Electronic funds for the week:	\$1,143.75
(based on 4 Sundays per month)	
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,632.00
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project:	\$27,007.00
Thank you!	

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