# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

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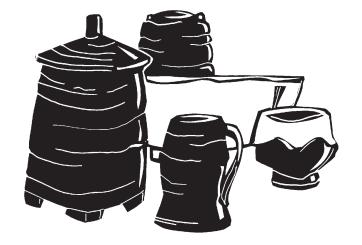
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Deacon: Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

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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.

#### St. Teresa of Avila School

75 First St. W., Elmira 519-669-8843 Fax 519-669-4509

#### St. David Catholic Secondary School

February 27, 2022

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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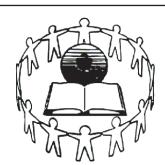
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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



#### EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

#### MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>

#### Tuesday, March 1, 7:05 pm

**+Don Elliott**; Pam & Theresa & Families Let us carefully observe the manner of life of all the apostles, martyrs, ascetics and just people who announced the coming of the Lord. And let us emulate their faith, charity, hope, zeal, life, patience under suffering, and perseverance unto death so that we may also share their crowns of glory – St. John Damascene

Wednesday, March 2, Ash Wednesday
12:05 pm +Pat Thompson; Linda Guacci
7:00 pm +Patricia Runstedler; Rick & Leona
Weishar

Thursday, March 3, 12:05 pm +Bryan Foerster; Ann McLeod

We must make our homes centres of compassion and forgive endlessly. – St. Teresa of Kolkata

Friday, March 4,

9:00 am +Hilda Cassel; Louise Roe & Family 9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration

It would be considered a theft on our part if we didn't give to someone in greater need than we are. – St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday, March 5, 5:00 pm

+Margaret (Peggy) Sheardown; Allan & Jane Graff +Cheryl Lenover & Marlene Moser; Art Moser Family

Sunday, March 6, 9:30 am – First Sunday of Lent Our Parish Community

#### **READINGS FOR March 5/6**

First Reading: Dt 26:4-10 Second Reading: Rom 10:8-13 Gospel Reading: Lk 4:1-13

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH
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 28 Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D. Tues., March 1 Rev. Joseph Ahilan, C.R.S.P. Wed., March 2 Ash Wednesday

Thurs., March 3 Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P. Fri., March 4 Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto

Sat., March 5 Rev. Allen Varlaki

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

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

#### MINISTRIES for March 5/6

**Eucharistic Ministers** 

5pm Tim Baillargeon 9:30am Sandi Hutchinson

#### Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Marianne Kieswetter

9:30am Anne Hanley, Adrian Miltenburg, Ray Denomme

Lector Commentator
5pm Tom O'Marra Judy Furlong
9:30am Linda Bruder Lisa Denomme

My Dear Parishioners,

If anyone needs the anointing of the sick please contact the Parish Office.

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

**ASH WEDNESDAY** – This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the only two days for fasting (eating less) and abstinence from meat. Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God. Join us for Ash Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at noon or 7 p.m.

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 15**<sup>th</sup> 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 appreciate your input. We will also provide information for individual input at a later date.

**C.W.L. LADIES!** One of the Catholic Women's League of Canada's strategies is to improve the effectiveness of communications at all levels of the League. We need your input! Please provide your feedback about how we communicate by completing the online survey found

at surveymonkey.com/r/CWLComSurvey. If you are on Facebook, the church page has the link posted. If you are not online and would like to fill out a paper copy to mail in, please contact Barb at 519 497-3162. Online and paper surveys should be submitted before March 21, 2022.

C.W.L. EXECUTIVE AND GENERAL MEETING - Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> – Executive Meeting is at 6:30 p.m. in the hall, Mass at 7:05 p.m. followed by

Installation of Officers and General Meeting at 7:50 p.m. in the hall. We have a motion to pass at the General Meeting and need a quorum of 8 ladies to attend to vote on it. Please email our new Secretary Holly at h-094secretary@cwlhamilton.ca if you will be attending so we have a count of people coming. Thank you!

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

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.

**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** – 40 Days for Life is a time of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The prayer vigil is taking place daily from March 2<sup>nd</sup> to April 10<sup>th</sup> in downtown Guelph. This effort has saved lives, as women who have been considering abortion have seen the prayer vigils and decided to choose life. Please sign up to pray! Visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph or call Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311.

Due to the passing of recent legislation impacting the vigil (via Bill C-3), the location has temporarily been moved to the front steps (facing the road) of the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph. Regardless of the location, 40 Days for Life continues to be an ecumenical effort. Please note that this location was the best space that we could think of on short notice, that is on private property and still very visible when witnessing to the public If you have any questions about this new temporary location, please contact our office. For information contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or visit info@guelphforlife.com.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, March 3**<sup>rd</sup> from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. If you cannot physically attend, would you devote an hour praying? Two metres distancing will be observed. Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com or call 519-742-9025.

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.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH – In his Apostolic Exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis writes: "After the love that unites us to God, conjugal love is the "greatest form of friendship". It is a union possessing all the traits of a good friendship: concern for the good of the other, reciprocity, intimacy, warmth, stability and the resemblance born of a shared life." (AL #123) February is a great month to spend some time with this beautiful quote and ask yourself if your love truly reflects a great friendship, or if it is time to restore these traits to your marriage.

Do you need support after an abortion? Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? **PROJECT RACHEL** is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counselor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for February 19/20: \$2,819.75 Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$74,146.51

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