

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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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

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Dan Lauzon

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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.

February 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday of
Ordinary Time



St. Teresa of Avila School

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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. ✠

FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5th

Tuesday, February 7, 7:05 pm <i>Follow my example of the Lord, being firm and unchangeable in the faith. – St. Polycarp</i> +Danielle Pilon; Wes & Theresa Grosz & Family +Dolly Hales; Gerald & Geraldine Goetz
Wednesday, February 8, <i>A person is an entity of a sort to which the only proper and adequate way to relate is love. – St John Paul II</i>
Thursday, February 9, 12:05 pm <i>Listen and attend with the ear of your heart. – St Benedict</i> +Robert Burnett; Marcella & Judy Furlong +Bernard Prince; Rita Lorbetski & Cheryl Dunn
Friday, February 10, <i>Your deeds may be the only sermon some people hear today. – St Francis of Assisi</i>
Saturday, February 11, 5:00 pm Marcella Furlong – Furlong Family +Jim Kacer; Marianne Kieswetter +Jim Scheerer; Wendy & Mike Hicknell
Sunday, February 12, 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR February 11/12

First Reading: Sir 15:15-20
Second Reading: 1 Cor 2:6-10
Gospel Reading: Mt 5:17-37

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

THRS 10:00 am **Palm Burning Liturgy – St. T -School**
FRI 11:00 am **Palm Burning Liturgy – St. B -School**
FRI 5:00 pm **K of C Spaghetti Supper – Hall Church**
SAT 4:00 pm **5:00 p.m. Choir Practice – Church**

MINISTRIES for February 11/12

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Judy Furlong
9am Diane McGuire

Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt, Marianne Kieswetter
9am Carol & Ed Kieswetter, John Bruder

Lector

5pm Tom O'Marra
9am Wally Malcolm

Commentator

Phil Milan
Joan Coutu

Sign Ministry

Feb 12 Ray Denomme

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., February 6 Rev. Matthew Durham
Tues., February 7 Rev. Kevin Upendran
Wed., February 8 Missionaries
Thurs., February 9 Rev. Leszek Szczygiel
Fri., February 10 Rev. Tom Moisan
Sat., February 11 Rev. David Weise / **World Day of the Sick**

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

In Preparation for Ash Wednesday, we are having at our parish school a Palm Burning Liturgy. This is a special liturgy which I will celebrate for the first time in my priesthood. This Palm Burning Liturgy reminds us that by our humanness we are called to serve. This liturgy is a sign of our human nature and in our brokenness, God will walk with us.

Next Saturday is World Day of the Sick, I want you to be assured that we are praying for all our sick parishioners. If anyone who is sick would like a visit, please contact the office. Fr. Peter

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR THE CHURCH – Please note that our church email address has changed to stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com

SPAGHETTI DINNER – KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL 8192 – The Spaghetti Dinner to be held on Friday February 10, 2023, beginning at 5:00 p.m. with takeout at 4:30 p.m. It will be continuous seating until 7:30 p.m. Your help will be needed for ticket sales, preparation, set up and the evening of the event. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Please consider volunteering 1-2 hours for this worthwhile event. Cost \$15.00 for Adults, \$8.00 for Children (6-12), Free for Children (5 & Under) \$40.00 for a Family of 4. Advance tickets available until February 8, 2023. Please reserve your tickets by calling the Church Office at 519-669-3387.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY MEETING – Tuesday February 21 @ 1 pm. We welcome all knitters and crocheters to our meeting. Please come and join if this is a ministry of interest!

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN - It's time to sign up for the 2023-24 school year.

- Children born in **2019** are eligible for **Year 1 Kindergarten (JK)**.
- Children born in **2018** are eligible for **Year 2 Kindergarten (SK)**.

Parents can access the Online Pre-Registration form by clicking on the **Register for School** link on the **WCDSB Homepage** and then choose **Kindergarten Registration**. To finalize your child's registration, please contact [St.https://www.wcdsb.ca/our-schools/elementary-schools/](https://www.wcdsb.ca/our-schools/elementary-schools/) Teresa of Avila School @ 519-669-8843.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHTS - March 4th – Waterloo - Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, March 4th at St. Michael's

Catholic Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

FUNDRAISER FOR THE SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME -

The School Sisters of Notre Dame in Nyalieng'a Kenya are embarking on a new project – to build the **Blessed Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger Educational Centre**. This school complex will enhance the Notre Dame Children Outreach program's efforts to help the needy children in its care achieve the fullness of their potential. To raise money in support of this project, St. Michael's parish is hosting a **Harambee* Pub Night** and you are most welcome to attend. This event is on **February 9th** in the Jazz Room of the **Huether Hotel** in Uptown Waterloo. Local musician **Michael Kelly Cavan** will provide musical entertainment from 7 till 9:30 pm interspersed with games, activities and a silent auction. Doors open at 6 pm and a full menu is available for your dining pleasure. **Tickets are only \$10** and are available at St. Michael's (519-884-9311 x0) or from Isabelle (519-746-7202). ***Harambee** → a Kiswahili word meaning "working together".

WDCSB – Lunch hour Supervision – Please visit our website for job description and application criteria @ www.wdcsb.ca

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. Teresa of Avila School @ 519-669-8843

ALPHA 2023 – ST. MARK PARISH – All are welcome to join this 11 week program, bringing people together for conversations about life, faith and Jesus; helping answer questions like: Who is Jesus? Why and how do I pray? Does God heal today? Join us Thursday evenings, Feb 16-April 27, from 6:45 to 9:15 p.m. at St Mark Parish Hall (55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener) For more info, or to sign up please contact Ron Denomme at rondenomme@gmail.com or 226-748-3210.

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR (CNOY) – You are invited to participate in this year's CNOY. What is CNOY, you may ask? CNOY is an annual fundraising walk for those experiencing homelessness or living in poverty in our community. Each year, this walk helps fund Ray of Hope's community center program where we provide nutritious meals, laundry and shower facilities, and life-changing resources. So, invite your family and friends, bundle up, and join us for a walk with a purpose on Saturday, February 25th! Soup and Starbucks refreshments will be provided to all, and walkers who raise \$150.00 or more will be gifted a special CNOY toque at the event day registration. You can visit <https://cnoy.org/locations/kitchener> to register. We hope to see you at Ray of Hope Community Centre on February 25th!

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

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 use the following [ticket link](#) to register your in person attendance at this lecture and to support planning for this event.

ST. MARY'S GENERAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEE OPPORTUNITIES -

Are you interested in being involved in an organization committed to compassionate, high quality and equitable care? The St. Mary's hospital board is looking to fill two positions for the coming term. More information is available on the hospital website: <https://www.smgh.ca/about-us/board-of-trustees/join-our-board-of-trustees>

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for January 28/29	\$3236.80
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$84,741.10
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