St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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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 (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 6, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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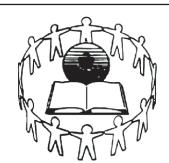
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7TH

Tuesday, February 8, 7:05 pm

+Betty Schill; Oscar & Marguerite Schill

God provides the wind, but you must raise the sails. – St. Augustine

Wednesday, February 9, 9:00 am

+Lucy Bertin; Gary & Laurie Weber

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

Thursday, February 10, 12:05 pm

+Bob McLeod; Prayer Shawl Ministry

A great means to preserve continual peace and tranquility of soul is to receive everything from the hands of God, both great and small, and in whatever way it comes. – St. Dorotheus

Friday, February 11,

9:00 am +Lawrence Goetz; Marcella & Judy Furlong

9:30 - 11:30 am Adoration

The Holy Spirit leads us like a mother. He leads his child by the hand as a sighted person leads a blind person. – St. John Vianney

Saturday, February 12, 5:00 pm

Intentions of Marcella Furlong; Furlong Family

+Walter Kieffer; Sharon Both

Sunday, February 13, 9:30 am Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR February 12/13

First Reading: Jer 17:5-8

Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Gospel Reading: Lk 6:17, 20-26

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 7:30 pm Parish Pastoral Council Zoom Meeting

WED 7:00 pm 9:30 am Choir Practice - Church

7:30 pm Parent Reconciliation Zoom Meeting

THU 6:30 pm Finance Committee 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 7 Rev. Michael Anderson Tues., February 8 Rev. Robert Love

Wed., February 9 Missionaries

Thurs., February 10 Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M. Fri., February 11 Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.

Sat., February 12 Rev. Ilija Petkovic

FOODBANK NEEDS

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

MINISTRIES for February 12/13

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Patsy Pond 9:30am Rick Weishar

Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly

9:30am John Bruder, Ed & Carol Kieswetter

Lector Commentator
5pm Armand Bertin Phil Milan
9:30am Wally Malcolm Iris Miltenburg

My Dear Parishioners,

This Friday, February 11th is the World Day of the Sick. Let us pray for those who are sick in mind, body and spirit. Let us also pray for the physicians, nurses and health care workers, giving them wisdom, skill, sympathy and patience in dealing with those who are sick in mind, body and spirit especially during this pandemic.

Praying that you and your family stay safe and well!

Fr. Peter

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK – FEBRUARY 11

The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. February 11 (Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes) highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

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.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES – Please pick up your box of Offertory Envelopes for 2022. For those who donate electronically please pick up your envelopes as they have only the envelopes for special collections.

In lieu of their Annual Fundraising Dinner, Guelph and Area Right to Life invites you to their "BANANA BONANZA" DESSERT FUNDRAISER which will take place virtually on Friday, February 11th at 7 p.m. Receive a complimentary banana split dessert package, and tune into the virtual event to hear updates about the impact of their pro-life projects and have an opportunity to donate. Please call 519-836-6311 to reserve your spot by February 7th.

Year of Amoris Laetitia Family – Hamilton Diocesan Series - Join us for the next topic, "THE WITNESS OF FAITH IN THE HOME" on February 16, 2022 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. The speaker is Connie Clark, author of numerous books, booklets and articles for parents, catechists, teens and kids. Sharing engaging personal stories, encouragement, and practical ideas, Connie helps families recognize their beautiful, vital role in the Christian community and in the family of God. She will focus on these four guidelines from the Directory of Catechesis that parents/grandparents/teachers/aunts and uncles can use to guide their families as they grow in faith: Awaken the sense of God; Take first steps in prayer; Form consciences: Understand Christian love as a reflection of God's love. Go to the Diocesan website for information and to register at https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/ or contact Theresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250

Please join us for the next Reel Justice movie, **AFTER THE STORM**, on **February 24**, **2022** from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. After the Storm follows the transformational journey of 550 families as they come together to build the Pope Francis Village, a sustainable resettlement site for coastal communities in Tacloban, Philippines devastated by 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. Register at https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/register/for this free virtual movie night presented by the Diocese of Hamilton and Development and Peace Hamilton Diocesan Council.

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.

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.

RESTART – Starting over after separation or divorce with support, care and tools for your journey. We invite you to check out the Diocesan website at: https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php to see the programs we offer and to find out dates of the new programs in early 2022. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

MOUNT MARY IMMACULATE RETREAT CENTRE

is now open and accepting group and personal retreat bookings for 2022! With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space Mount Mary is an ideal location for those seeking a retreat experience. Groups of all types are welcome for a day or for an overnight stay. For more information please visit: www.mountmary.ca.

YOUTH MINISTRY ONLINE LEARNING – There are spaces open for new learners in the upcoming cycles of the Youth Ministry Certification program. If you are interested in participating in Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry – A Canadian Perspective or Relational Ministry with Youth - A Canadian Perspective, please email: nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for January 29/30: \$3,501.75
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$73,576.51
Thank you!



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