# St. Teresa of Avila

# Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Fr. David Lewis

Parish Secretary: Donna Vollmer

Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

#### **Office Hours:**

Monday to Friday 9:00am-1:00pm



Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

#### **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 required.

#### Sacrament of the Sick

Please notify the parish office of any 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

Al Vodicka Alan Diemert Andrea Visneskie Dan Ziegler Fr. David Lewis Marianne Kieswetter Patsy Pond Peggy Kelly Tim Baillargeon

#### **Building & Finance Committee**

Fr. David Lewis Diane Smith Katie Hickey Kris Kauk Rick Weishar Sebastian Siebel-Achenbach

#### Catholic Women's League

Mary Jane Yaeger

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Guy Wakutz

#### **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.

#### St. Teresa of Avila School

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**February 7, 2016** 

Fifth Sunday in

**Ordinary Time** 

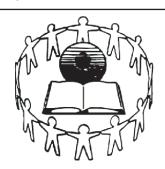
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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 8TH**

Tuesday, February 9, 7:05 pm

+Delphine Stemmler; St. Teresa's C.W.L.

Wednesday, February 10, Ash Wednesday

10:00 am School Mass

+Ted Fronchak; Julie & Wilf Doll

7:00 pm +George Pfanner; Marg Walter

Thursday, February 11, 12:05 pm

+Buster Ertel; Betty Ertel & Family

Friday, February 12,

8:30 am +Pat Wintermeyer; John & Ann Staines

9 am - 1 pm Adoration

**6:45 pm** Stations of the Cross (Parish Council)

Saturday, February 13, 5:00 pm

+Douglas Furlong; The Family

+Vincent Snelling; Marie Snelling & Family

Sunday, February 14, First Sunday of Lent

9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Our Parish Community

#### **READINGS FOR February 13/14**

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

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 7:35pm First Communion Parish Mtg – Church

7:35pm C.W.L. General Meeting - Hall

THU Office Closed

7:00pm 9 a.m. Choir Practice – Church

7:30pm Finance Committee Meeting – Rectory

FRI Office Closed

#### **HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:**

Mon., February 8 Rev. Jeff Bergsma Tues., February 9 Rev. Paul Boucher

Wed., February 10 Basilian Fathers, C.S.B.

Thurs., February 11 Rev. Felix Nwatu

Fri., February 12 Rev. Msgr. Edward Sheridan Sat., February 13 Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I.

#### **MINISTRIES for February 13/14**

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

5pm Tim Baillargeon, Kieran Kelly, Kevin Dupuis 9am Robert & Mary Jane Yaeger, Iris Miltenburg

11am Agnes Downey, Cheryl Dunn

#### Hospitality

5pm Mike & Doris Snelling, Moira Foerster, Barb Grosz
 9am Guy Wakutz, Peter Antonello, Ed & Carol Kieswetter
 11am Danielle Pilon, Frank McGuire, Anne Hanley, Sharon

#### **Altar Servers**

5pm Natalie Pfanner Groves, Patsy Pond

9am Thomas Kraemer, Heike Elliott, Makenna Kroetsch

11am Fiona Bernard, Felicia Groechel

Lectors Commentator

5pm Connie Kaster Judy Furlong

9am Tracy Kroetsch Barry Glofcheskie
Maria Diemert

11am Dianne McGuire Marianne Kieswetter

#### Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Feb 14 Trudy & Ray Denomme

Sign Ministry

Feb 8 Pat Ditner

**Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister** 

Feb 17 Cheryl Dunn

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

Condiments & Canned Juice

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That we may take good care of creation—a gift freely given—cultivating and protecting it for future generations and that opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE**: The Share Lent **SOLIDARITY CALENDAR** is an insert in the bulletin today. Find daily suggestions to do for your own Lenten journey. This week, read the suggestions for February 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>. Our Share Lent collection will take place on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Donations received that day will provide vital support to the poor in more than 30 countries throughout Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Let us create a climate of change.

We will be offering SESSIONS COVERING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH for those who would like to explore the possibility of being Baptized and/or Confirmed in the Catholic faith. These sessions would be especially helpful to those who often attend Mass with their families and would like to receive Communion with them. No commitment is called for to begin. The sessions are offered as an opportunity to explore. All of the teachings are summaries of the essentials of our new Catechism. If you are interested please speak to Father Dave or pick up a registration form from Donna in the parish office.

The Catholic Women's League GENERAL MEETING will be held on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Come to the meeting to learn more about the League by playing "C.W.L. Jeopardy". Call another member for a ride if you need one. Please consider joining our League.

The C.W.L. will also be leading the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Wednesday of Lent at Chartwell at 3:15 p.m. in the <u>Retirement Home Chapel</u>. Please join us. We will also have a Garage Sale in April, so please save items to donate.

PILGRIMAGE SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE KING – You are welcome to make a Year of Mercy pilgrimage to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton on Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016. You may enter through the Door of Mercy (located near the elevator entrance). At 2:00 p.m. we will begin with Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be offered at 3:00 p.m. followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Pilgrims are most welcome to stay

for our regular 4:00 p.m. Mass that day. All are welcome to come and share in the Father's mercy and peace.

**160<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**– His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving for the 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Hamilton on **Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** at **11 a.m.** in the

Hamilton on **Sunday**, **February 18**<sup>th</sup> at **11 a.m.** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. The Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Luigi Bonazzi, will preach the homily for the Anniversary Mass. All are welcome.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – From February 10<sup>th</sup> to March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 people around the world will be taking part in 40 days of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. Each year, over 400 women from Guelph & Wellington County have abortions. There is a great need to come together in prayer and seek God's healing and mercy for our region. Please pray for those facing a crisis pregnancy, women in need of healing after an abortion, and unborn children. A daily prayer vigil in front of Guelph General Hospital will be a sign of hope and encouragement to our city. To sign up or learn more, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or visit 40daysforlife.com/Guelph.

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors, is on **Thursday, February 11, 2016** from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 Charles Street East, Maryhill. Admission is \$2 per person. Dennis Aldous, Fire Prevention Officer for Woolwich Township will speak on "Protecting Ourselves and Others". For more information contact Joan Haid at 519-648-2742 or jehaid@xplornet.ca.

**COMMUNITY CAN DINE** is on the second Friday of every month at Trinity United Church, 21 Arthur Street North, Elmira. The next date is **Friday**, **February 12**<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with roasted pork and apple stuffing. Pay what you can. For more information please call the Trinity United Church office at 519-669-5560.

Join us for the 2015-2016 ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY ANNIVERSARY LECTURES "ILLUMINATING HEARTS AND MINDS" on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, at C.L. Siegfried Hall, St. Jerome's University at 7:30 p.m., for the next St. Jerome's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lecture, "Laudato Si': A New Call for Catholic Social Action". Having been present at the COP21 talks in Paris, **Dr. Margaret Archer**, President of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, will examine the impact of Pope Francis' call to all members of the church, including those working at the Vatican, to become more directly involved with, and for, the poorest in our world. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Free Admission. Wheelchair Accessible. Refreshments. No Registration is required.

**VALENTINE SUPPER** on **Saturday, February 13, 2016** at the Maryhill Community Centre, Rolled rib dinner, mashed potatoes and all the fixings followed by coffee, tea and dessert. Adults \$17.50, children 6-11 \$8 and children 5 and under free. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Sittings at 5 and 7 p.m. Advance tickets only. When calling specify the time

you would like to attend. For tickets call Mike Runstedler (519) 648-3394, Doug Zinger (519) 648-2939, or Mary Campagnaro (519) 822-9287. Sponsored by Maryhill Knights of Columbus and St. Boniface C.W.L.

**WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT WEEKEND** – **February 19-21, 2016** at Queen of Apostles, Mississauga. The retreat begins at 8:00 p.m. Friday and concludes with Mass on Sunday at noon, followed by lunch. Preached by the Centre Team. Please call 905-278-5229 for further information or to register.

2016 FEBRUARY POTATO BLITZ in support of the House of Friendship. The COMMUNITY POTATO LUNCH is on Friday, February 26, 2016 at 12 noon St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kitchener. Join us for this annual treat of delicious potato dishes and our 6th Annual Soup Idol; free-will offerings accepted.

Attention all former Celtics **St. David C.S.S.** is celebrating its **50th Anniversary** and is looking for any **SCHOOL MEMORABILIA** to display at their alumni weekend May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. If you have items of school history or interest please contact amanda.phillips@wcdsb.ca or call the school at 519-885-1340. Information about alumni weekend events can be found at http://stdavid.wcdsb.ca.

Don't Give Up Chocolate This Lent – Have you ever had a memorable Lent? More importantly, have you ever had a life-changing Lent? Dynamic Catholic invites you to join Matthew Kelly, The Dynamic Catholic Team and thousands of people across the country for Best Lent Ever. Based on Matthew's new bestseller Rediscover Jesus, this free email program will take you on a 40-DAY SPIRITUAL JOURNEY to encounter Jesus-and yourself-in a deeply personal way. Each day you will receive an inspirational email with a short video featuring Matthew and a member of the Dynamic Catholic Team. Throughout Lent, they will guide you through each of the 40 chapters of Rediscover Jesus and share simple ways to bring Jesus into your everyday life. Sign up at DynamicCatholic.com/Lent.

St. Clement's Parish, St. Clements is looking for a qualified candidate to take a **PART-TIME POSITION AS A SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER.** Please email your resume or qualifications to stclementsparish@sympatico.ca. For further information please contact the parish office at 519-699-4425 or Father Martin Mikulski at 226-868-0613.

#### 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 January 30/31: \$2,804.60 Average per envelope: \$24.66

Electronic funds for the week: (based on 4 Sundays per month)

\$1,028.75

(based on 4 Sundays per month) Weekly parish operating expenses:

\$4,632.00

Thank you!



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