

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

February 7 2021

Fifth Sunday of
Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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Office Administration: Donna Vollmer

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Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday 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
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Fr. Peter Meyer
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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.

St. Teresa of Avila School

75 First St. W., Elmira
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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 8TH

Tuesday, February 9, NO MASS

The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that he in his goodness sends to us day after day. – St. Gianna Molla

Wednesday, February 10, NO MASS

When the devil reminds you of your past, remind him of his future. – St. Teresa of Avila

Thursday, February 11, NO MASS

The rosary helps us to be conformed ever more closely to Christ until we attain true holiness. – St. John Paul II

Friday, February 12, NO MASS

Make your people known for the unity and profession of their faith. – St. Cyril

Saturday, February 13, NO MASS

Love Our Lady. And she will obtain abundant grace to help you conquer in your daily struggle. – St. Josemaria Escriva

Sunday, February 14, TELEVISED MASS ON YOUTUBE ON OUR HOME PAGE

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
For Your Intentions**

READINGS FOR February 13/14

First Reading: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46

Second Reading: 1 Cor 10:31-11:1

Gospel Reading: Mk 1:40-45

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Mon., February 8	Rev. Brian Quigley, M.C.C.J.
Tues., February 9	Rev. Tim Theriault
Wed., February 10	Missionaries
Thurs., February 11	Rev. Murray McDermott, C.R.
Fri., February 12	Rev. Raphael Ma, C.R.
Sat., February 13	Rev. Mussie A. Keflezghi, M.C.C.J.

At this time the chapel, church and office are closed. Please check for updates at stteresaelmira.ca and on the Hamilton Diocesan website.

Please note that we are checking messages for emergencies and serious pastoral concerns.

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

Violence against women - We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Shampoo, Conditioner and Deodorant

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

For World Day of the Sick on February 11th I am asking Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Teresa to intercede for all those in our parish who are sick or suffering at this time. May they watch over and assist in the healing ministry to you our brothers and sisters. We also pray for all health care workers.

Please check out the Wednesday Reflections on our website. The responses we receive from the survey will generate the Wednesday Reflections.

There is a survey on the Parish website requesting input on the Masses and Reflections that are posted on YouTube. Your input would be greatly appreciated.

Sunday Masses during the shutdown are taped and uploaded through St. Teresa's YouTube on the website or just google YouTube St. Teresa's, Elmira.

The Parish Office is closed. Donations can be dropped off in the mailbox as the mail is checked each day or send via the post office. Any questions or concerns you have please call the Parish Office. The telephone is checked regularly every day.

Next week I will communicate to you an update on the One Heart, One Soul Campaign in our parish.

Be assured of my continued support and prayer. We ask Jesus, our Lord and God to watch over us in these difficult times.

Blessings,
Fr. Peter

WORLD DAY OF 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.

If you would like to join our **LIVING ROSARY GROUP** please email bmarkides@rogers.com and Deacon Basil will connect with you. He will need your email address so the zoom link can be sent to you. Deacon Basil can help you through the Zoom process.

Looking for an activity to do for the upcoming Family Day weekend, plan to join Pamela Esbaugh on a **"FAMILY DAY VIRTUAL BOOT CAMP"** on **Saturday, February 13, 2021** at 9:30 a.m. This class is for everyone at any fitness level. Families welcome! Modifications are offered with minimal equipment required. Mostly bodyweight, a yoga mat, and dumbbells can be used if you have them. There

is no cost to participate, however donations in support of Woolwich Counselling Centre would be appreciated at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/woolwich-interfaith-counselling-society/>. Pre-Registration is required. Please register at <https://form.jotform.com/210255758793263>. A Zoom link will be emailed to you after registration.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre, 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira is offering programs that you can participate in.

- **Protecting the Girl in Me – Ages 10 -12, a Self-Awareness Group for Girls** on February 10 & 17, 2021 from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- **Glad to Be Me – Ages 4-7, a Self-Esteem Program** on February 23, March 31, April 28, and May 26, 2021 from 4 – 5 p.m.
- **CBT for Insomnia** on February 9, 16, 23, March 2 & 9, 2021 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- **No Need to Fret – Ages 8-11, a Childhood Anxiety Group** on March 30, April 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2021 from 5 – 6 p.m.
- **Conquering Teen Anxiety – Ages 12-14, a Teen Anxiety Group** on March 30, April 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2021 from 7 – 8 p.m.

Visit www.woolwichcounselling.org for more program details. Call 519-669-8651 or email info@woolwichcounselling.org to register.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – SIGN UP TO PRAY! As the **February 17th** start date approaches, you'll be able to sign up to pray with us at the 40 Days for Life vigil in Guelph across the street from the Guelph Community Health Centre on Wyndham Street. It's here that the SHORE Centre (formerly called Planned Parenthood Waterloo) has an abortion pill clinic. You can view the prayer calendar and sign up online by visiting www.40daysforlife.com/guelph. You can also sign up by calling our office at 519-836-6311. If it's your first time participating, we'll make sure you are partnered with an experienced prayer volunteer who can answer all of your questions. The 40 Days for Life is from February 17th to March 28th, 2021. We are asking people to commit to a specific hour or hours each week to join us at the vigil. We always plan to have at least two people present at the prayer vigil at all times, with prayer happening every day from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. We will be keeping aware of guidelines around public gatherings, but our hope is that we will be able to safely pray at the abortion pill clinic for the entire 40 days! We hope God will use our witness to reach the women who are considering abortion, and fill them with hope and courage.

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, Woolwich Community Services is hosting a Covid-safe in-person event with virtual options, with fantastic sponsorship opportunities on **Saturday, February 20th**. This year it is being offered in a virtual only format. This means we won't be able to gather in person but you can walk anytime in February. There are several maps on the CNOY Elmira page that can give ideas of where to walk! 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. Our goal in the Walk is to raise \$50,000 with the support of 20+ teams and 105+ walkers. If you have questions contact Leigh-Anne Quinn at 519-669-5139 or email leighanne_wcs@yahoo.ca.

VOCATION SEEDS – Jesus created much excitement in His day through His preaching, teaching, and healing. Today, the Church communicates that same wonder and grace by those active in priesthood, religious life, and lay ministries. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

RE: START – STARTING OVER AFTER SEPARATION OR DIVORCE WITH SUPPORT, CARE AND TOOLS FOR THE JOURNEY – We invite you to visit the Family Ministry Office on the Diocesan website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/> to see the programs offered and to register. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for January 2021:	\$10,604.00
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project:	\$136,004.25

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