

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

January 21, 2024
Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.,
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

Colleen Jack Debbie Yutzi
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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.

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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. ✠

THIRD & FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 22ND

<p>Tuesday, January 23, 7:05 pm +Joseph & Annamae Eckert; Estate +Teresa Day; Betty Pfisterer <i>Let us therefore give ourselves to God with a great desire to begin to live thus and beg him to destroy in us the life of the world of sin, and to establish his life within us. – St. John Eudes</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, January 24, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>Give thanks to God! O great and good Creator, how much do I owe you? How can I ever thank your infinite goodness? – St. Francis de Sales</i></p>
<p>Thursday, January 25, 12:05 pm +Maurice Downey; Skip & Grace Maher +Rita Piper; Bill Walter <i>The most important thing to Paul was that he knew he was loved by Christ. Enjoying this love he considered himself happier than anyone else. – St. John Chrysostom</i></p>
<p>Friday, January 26, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>There is nothing better in the world than to be in the grace of God. – St. Josemaria Escriva</i></p>
<p>Saturday, January 27, 5:00 pm +Judy Koebel; Ron Koebel & Family +Jane Goll; Ed & Peggy Kulaga</p>
<p>Sunday, January 28, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill</p>

READINGS FOR January 27/28

First Reading: Dt 18:15-20
 Second Reading: 1 Cor 7:32-35
 Gospel Reading: Mk 1:21-28

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., January 22	Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto
Tues., January 23	Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger
Wed., January 24	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate
Thurs., January 25	Rev. Edward Hampson
Fri., January 26	Rev. Robert Dunn
Sat., January 27	Rev. George Stortz

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

THURS-FRI 9:00 – 12:00 p.m. Office Open

MINISTRIES for January 27/28

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm	Patsy & Steve Pond
9am	Ron Stemmler, Iris Miltenburg, Rick Weishar

Hospitality

5pm	Debbie Yutzi, Marilyn Hurlburt
9am	Anne Hanley, Ray Denomme, John Bruder

Lector

5pm	Connie Kaster
9am	Maria Diemert

Commentator

	Lisa Denomme
	Larry Glofcheskie

Children's Liturgy

Jan 28 Sandi Hutchinson, Sarah Reimer

Sign Ministry

Jan 22 Sandi Hutchinson

MASSES FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 29TH

<p>Tuesday, January 30, No Mass <i>The name of Jesus is more than a light, it is also food. Do you not feel increase of strength as often as you remember it? – St. Bernard</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, January 31, No Mass – Maryhill <i>All for God and for God's glory. In whatever you do, think of the glory of God as your main goal. – St. John Bosco</i></p>
<p>Thursday, February 1, No Mass <i>One loving heart sets another on fire. – St. Augustine</i></p>
<p>Friday, February 2, No Mass – Maryhill <i>A heart enamoured of God is unconquerable, since God is its strength. – St. Catherine of Genoa</i></p>
<p>Saturday, February 3, 5:00 pm +Doug Furlong; The Family +Peter O'Neil; Verna & Gord Walz & Family</p>
<p>Sunday, February 4, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill</p>

READINGS FOR February 3/4

First Reading: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7
 Second Reading: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23
 Gospel Reading: Mk 1:29-39

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., January 29	Rev. Michael Bennett
Tues., January 30	Rev. James Curtin
Wed., January 31	Hospitaller Order of St. John of God, O.H.
Thurs., February 1	Rev. Ralph Diodati
Fri., February 2	The Presentation of the Lord
	World Day of Consecrated Life
Sat., February 3	Rev. David Lewis

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON-FRI 9:00 – 12:00 p.m. Office Open

MINISTRIES for February 3/4

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm	Phil Milan, Kathy Ziegler
9am	Sandi Hutchinson, Ken Gallipeau, Barb Vodicka

Hospitality

5pm	Marianne Kieswetter, Sharon Both
9am	Rick & Leona Weishar, Ron Stemmler

Lector

5pm	Tom O'Marra
9am	Iris Miltenburg

Commentator

	Judy Furlong
	Wally Malcolm

Children's Liturgy

Feb 4 Linda Bruder

Sign Ministry

Jan 29 Kieran Kelly

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For the gift of diversity in the Church – We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Pasta, Shampoo and Deodorant

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today is the designated Sunday that marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. In today's bulletin you will find a Prayer Card and a Bookmark to use when reading the bible.

As I will be away the next two Sundays I ask that you welcome Father Tim Uniac on the weekend of February 3/4 and Monsignor Dennis Noon on the weekend of February 10/11.

The Presentation of the Lord in the Temple on Friday, February 2nd is the Purification of Mary and the Feast of Candlemas, marking 40 days after Christmas.

Fr. Peter

LANCASTER PA 2024 TRIP UPDATE – Mark your calendars for **October 1- 4, 2024**. In last week's bulletin there was an insert for prices and all that is included in the price. Please contact Lisa Zettel to book your spot. She will be collecting the cheques closer to the deadline and taking them to Stratford for you. Her email is lzettel@bell.net or home phone is 519-749-9700 if you have any questions.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL kicks off the 2024 season on **January 25, 2024** from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., with the film **Gather**, an intimate portrait of the movement among Indigenous communities to reclaim their spiritual, political, and cultural identities through food sovereignty. The dynamic duo of Kitty R Lynn Lickers and Dr. Adrienne Xavier from McMaster University's Indigenous Studies Department will be guest speakers for the evening. Educators in Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Indigenous Food Sovereignty, they also managed the **Our Sustenance** program, a sustainability and food sovereignty program in their community of Six Nations. The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register and view our full schedule of events at: <https://reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com/>. In partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

The next set of groups/workshops presented by Woolwich Counselling Centre are below. Please see the bulletin board for more information about each group/workshop.

- **MOTIVATION AND GOAL SETTING 101**, adult workshop, no cost, virtual workshop on **Wednesday January 31, 2024** from 7 – 8 p.m.
- **CONQUERING TEEN ANXIETY**, ages 12-14, in-person group on **Wednesdays, January 31, February 7, 14, 21 & 28, 2024** from 5-6 p.m. Fee is \$100. Further subsidies are available if needed.

Check out the bulletin board for more information on each workshop. Learn more and register by calling 519-669-8651 or by emailing info@woolwichcounselling.org or drop by at 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira for any of the above groups/workshops.

SHINE A LIGHT – On **Monday, January 29th** from 7-8 p.m. meet at the sidewalk in front of Guelph City Hall at 1 Carden Street. The 1988 Supreme Court decision left preborn babies with no protection in Canada. You are invited to gather with Guelph & Area Right to Life on January 29th to pray and present a pro-life display that will shine a light on the negative impact of abortion in Canada as a result of the court's 1988 ruling. For more information, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or visit guelphforlife.com.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT – Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.), social with food (7:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.), praise night and vocations testimony (8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.), and Compline (9:00 p.m.) on **Saturday, February 3rd** at St. Michael Catholic Church, 80 University Avenue West, Waterloo. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Guelph & Area Right to Life presents **40 DAYS FOR LIFE CANDLE LIGHT PRAYER** on **Tuesday, February 13, 2024** from 7 – 7:30 p.m. at the city sidewalk in front of the Guelph Cenotaph (across from Guelph CHC), Woolwich and Eramosa Road, Guelph. You are invited to join local pastors and church community members for a Candle Light Prayer gathering to recognize the start of the vigil in Guelph. The 40 Days for Life runs from February 14 – March 28, 2024.

RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE – The people of Nineveh believed and repented, the fishermen left their nets, and St. Paul invited the Christians in Corinth to see their entire life from a new perspective. Truly being open and receptive to the Word of God has the power to change us forever. Do you want to be changed? When was the last time you were really open to God's Word? Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca.

VOCATION SEEDS – The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for January 13/14: \$3,400.00
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$121,132.13

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