

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

January 23, 2022

Third Sunday of
Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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Deacon: Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

Office Administration: Donna Vollmer

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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

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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

4 High Street, Waterloo
519-885-1340 Website: stdavid.wcdsb.ca

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 SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 24TH

Tuesday, January 25, 7:05 pm +Vicky Rau; The Kauk & Grosz Families <i>To be a servant of Christ is to be truly free. – St. Agatha</i>
Wednesday, January 26, 9:00 am +Andreas Schwarz; Donna & Wayne Vollmer <i>We should not accept in silence the benefactions of God, but return thanks for them. – St. Basil</i>
Thursday, January 27, 12:05 pm +Ron Eagle; Judy & Marcella Furlong <i>Beware of trying to accomplish anything by force. – St. Angela Merici</i>
Friday, January 28, 9:00 am +Caroline Hicknell; Wendy & Mike Hicknell 9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration <i>The things that we love tell us what we are. – St. Thomas Aquinas</i>
Saturday, January 29, 5:00 pm +Mary Collins; Danielle Pilon +Laura Logel; Mike & Marlene Brenner
Sunday, January 30, 9:30 a.m. Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Parish Community

Lector	Commentator
5pm Tom O'Marra	Judy Furlong
9:30am Maria Diemert	Lisa Denomme

My Dear Parishioners,

A special note to all parishioners at this time I want you to be assured of my prayers and support for you and your families. We are continuing to have Masses. With the heightened concern of the omicron variant I would encourage those with health concerns to not come to Mass. We want you to be safe and healthy. You are not obligated to come to Mass because of the pandemic. Continue to watch the bulletin for updates.

With these uncertain times, I really believe and know that this parish has been very supportive to one another and to me. For this we are very grateful.

The Parish Office is closed. Donna will be in the office on Wednesdays. Any questions or concerns you have please call the Parish Office. The telephone is checked regularly every day.

Praying that you and your family stay safe and well!

Fr. Peter

READINGS FOR January 29/30

First Reading: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19
Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13
Gospel Reading: Lk 4:21-30

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 7:00 pm **9:30 am** Choir Practice – Church

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

FOR TRUE HUMAN FRATERNITY - We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., January 24	Rev. Sam Restivo, C.R.
Tues., January 25	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Wed., January 26	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate
Thurs., January 27	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Fri., January 28	Rev. Romelito Guillen
Sat., January 29	Rev. Grayson Hope

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Fruit, Cake/Muffin Mixes and Laundry Detergent

MINISTRIES for January 29/30

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Peggy Kelly-Kulaga
9:30am Ron Stemmler

Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly
9:30am Anne Hanley, John Bruder, Adrian Miltenburg

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

BIBLE SUNDAY - The Diocese of Hamilton celebrates Bible Sunday on **January 23, 2022**. Bishop Crosby has chosen the third Sunday of Ordinary Time each year as our day to emphasize how #TheBibleSpeaks and how #WeListen. We encourage you to visit our Diocesan webpage dedicated to Bible Sunday 2022. Here you will find resources for adults, youth and children to help foster a relationship with God's living Word: www.hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks.

OLD AGE SECURITY, SOCIAL ASSISTANCE AND INCOME MAINTENANCE on **Tuesday, January 25, 2022** from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. This session focuses on: Information and Instructions to filling out Old Age Security applications in Canada; Social Assistance/Income maintenance; and discussion about the rights and responsibilities to tenants, including how to address maintenance issues in a rental unit and eviction matters. Presented by Steven Caswell and Kristen Thompson, Waterloo Region Community Legal Services. As physical distancing measures continue to be followed, Woolwich Community Health Centre is committed to offering

health education using the virtual communication platform, Zoom. All sessions are free. Registration is required. To register, email Gebre at gberihuyn@wchc.on.ca, visit the website www.wchc.on.ca and click on the Register Online tab or call 519-664-3794 or 519-656-9025. Once you have registered, you will receive your invitation to participate closer to the date of the presentation. If you do not have internet access, you can attend the program using your telephone.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre presents:

- **EMPOWERING THE GIRL IN ME: SELF-AWARENESS GROUP (ages 10-12) on Weekly on Wednesdays, January 26-February 23** from 5-6 p.m.
- **SLEEP HYGIENE: CBT STRATEGIES FOR A RESTFUL SLEEP Virtual Adult Workshop on Tuesday, January 25th** from 7 – 8 p.m.
- **LET'S TALK ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH: LEARNING SKILLS TO SUPPORT OTHERS Virtual Adult Workshop on Wednesday, January 26th** from 7 – 8 p.m.
- **COPING WITH THE WINTER BLUES Virtual Adult Workshop on Thursday, January 27th** from 7 – 8 p.m.

These workshops are offered at no cost. To learn more and register email info@woolwichcounselling.org or call 519-669-8651 or visit 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira.

MENNOHOMES' ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at 2:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, January 26th**. This will be a virtual meeting using Zoom. Everyone is welcome to attend. In the midst of COVID-19, we've had a very active year responding to the need for affordable housing in Waterloo Region. Please plan to attend as we review this past year, share news about our new project at Sprucelawn in St. Jacobs, and provide updates on our corporate branding "refresh". To attend this year's event, please RSVP in advance. You can register at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9225111111>. Registered guests will receive an AGM package by email prior to the event.

SHINE A LIGHT EVENT – On **Friday, January 28th** from 7-8 p.m., join us in gathering to pray and shine a light on the impact of abortion. On the anniversary of the 1988 Supreme Court decision that left preborn children with no protection in Canada, there will be a pro-life display showing the number of abortions that have happened in Canada, which is now about 4.5 million. This event will take place in front of Guelph City Hall at 1 Carden St. For more information, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at

519-836-6311 or visit guelphforlife.com.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, February 3rd** from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. If you cannot physically attend, would you devote an hour praying? Two metres distancing will be observed. Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com or call 519-742-9025.

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.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH – Our children are, in many ways, like sponges absorbing all we say and do. Even when we think they aren't watching or listening, they are often taking in our comments, actions and attitudes. In fact, our influence lasts their entire lives and impacts them throughout their lifetime. Equally important is what we don't say about something they are seeing or hearing or doing, since silence is considered consent. Parenting takes constant work, which is why it is considered a vitally important vocation. The rewards, however, of seeing your children grow into healthy, strong adults is worth the effort.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for January 15/16:	\$2,722.25
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$73,596.51
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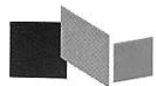
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