

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

January 29, 2017
Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter,
1851.

Pastor: Rev. David Lewis
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 (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 offered.

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

Andrea Visneskie
Barb Vodicka
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Fr. David Lewis
Lisa Denomme
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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
registration package in the church foyer.

Bulletin Deadline

Written submissions by Monday noon.

St. Teresa of Avila 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. ✠

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 30TH

<p>Tuesday, January 31, 7:05 pm +Bimbo Rau; Marcella & Judy Furlong <i>Trust all things to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and to Mary, help of Christians, and you will see what miracles are. - St. John Bosco</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, February 1, 10:30 am – Heritage House +Kazimiera Poczatek; Estate <i>Always keep lifting your foot to climb the ladder of holiness, and do not imagine that you can mount even the first step. All God asks of you is good will. – St. Thérèse of Lisieux</i></p>
<p>Thursday, February 2, 12:05 pm +Ron Weber; Colleen Weber <i>If you try to live in the presence of God for one year, you will see yourself at the end of it at the height of perfection, without your even knowing it. – St. Teresa of Avila</i></p>
<p>Friday, February 3, 8:45 am +Bob Swallow; Betty Ertel 9:15 am – Noon Adoration <i>O my God, let me remember with gratitude and confess to you your mercies towards me. – St. Augustine</i></p>
<p>Saturday, February 4, 5:00 pm +Theresa Hahn-Siemon; Leroy Siemon +Margaret Slaney; Sharon Slaney</p>
<p>Sunday, February 5, 9:30 am Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Parish Community</p>

READINGS FOR February 4/5

First Reading: Is 58:7-10
 Second Reading: 1 Cor 2:1-5
 Gospel Reading: Mt 5:13-16

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 3:15 am **Altar Server Training** - Church
 7:00 pm **5 p.m. Choir Practice** – Church
 7:00 pm **9:30 a.m. Choir Practice** – Seminar

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:

Mon., January 30	Rev. Thomas Vermiglio, M.C.C.J.
Tues., January 31	Rev. Francisco Cruz
Wed., February 1	Society of the Catholic Apostolate
Thurs., February 2	Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
Fri., February 3	Rev. Jose Moreira
Sat., February 4	Rev. Octavio Cidadao

MINISTRIES for February 4/5

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kevin Dupuis, Kathy Ziegler, Peggy Kelly
 9:30am Peter & Laura Antonello, Ken Gallipeau

Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kraemer, Jodi Sereres, Greg & Brent Goetz
 9:30am Adrian Miltenburg, Bill & Anne Hanley, Ray Denomme

Altar Servers

5pm Natalie Pfanner Groves, Felicia Groechel
 9:30am Joseph Ditner, Ellen Siebel-Achenbach, Michèle Siebel-Achenbach

Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin
 9:30am Dianne McGuire
 Sheila Bauman

Commentator

Colleen Weber
 Wally Malcolm

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Feb 5 Jane Goll

Sign Ministry

Jan 30 Ray Denomme

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Feb 1 Stewart Logan

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Fruit and Canned Meats

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over and that the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family, **Kacie Dawn Martin**, daughter of Calvin & Shelley and **Wyatt Alexander McKee**, son of Richard and Chelsea. *We pray that God will help these children to grow in holiness and wisdom.*

If you or a loved one need a ride to church, we have a **BUS** that will pick you up for the 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning Mass. The cost is a \$5 and does pickups in both Elmira and St. Jacobs. If you have any questions or need a ride please call the Parish Office at 519-669-3387.

Beginning in the New Year 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. No commitment is called for to begin. The sessions are offered as an opportunity to explore and will be held on Saturday mornings from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. **beginning Saturday, February 4th**. All of the teachings are summaries of the essentials of the Catechism. If you are interested please speak to Father David or pick up a registration form from Donna in the parish office.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, February 2, 2017** from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com.

We invite you to the **CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM** at St. John's Church Hall, Kitchener on Thursday evenings **February 2nd to March 23rd, 2017** from 6 to 9 p.m. with dinner provided. This program is offered to Christian married couples, singles, widows and widowers and those who are separated or divorced. Come deepen your faith and strengthen your relationship with Christ. Begin to prepare yourself for Easter by living a fuller life in the Holy Spirit through inspiring talks, discussions, food, fellowship and song. We will also be conducting a separate Christian Life program for children, at that same time in the meeting room of the hall. This event is free and sponsored by Couples for Christ. To pre-register or for more information,

please contact Len or Marie Solomon at 519-744-5198 or email kwclp3@gmail.com.

ENTRUST YOURSELF TO GOD'S MERCY! 33 Days to Merciful Love is a group retreat preparation for consecration to Divine Mercy. This 6 week DVD program by Fr. Michael Gaitley will take place Saturdays at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows, 56 Duke Street West, Kitchener, in the Lower Hall, **beginning Saturday, March 4th**. The retreat book can be ordered on the St. Mary's website or by paying at the parish office. To order on the website go to: <http://stmarysrcchurch.ca/>. Click the "give online" button in the upper right hand corner and follow the instructions. When confirming the payment, please write in the comments box that this is to order the 33 Days to Merciful Love retreat book. The cost of the book is \$25. **Order Deadline is February 3rd**. Those wishing to go deeper and order the full participant packet with the book and "Retreat Companion" will need to order individually from the USA at <http://www.shopmercy.org/33-Days-to-Merciful-Love-Participant-Pack-with-Book/MLPSWB/itd/27240002/132/508/AHA>. Orders from the USA will take longer. If you have any questions, contact Vicky at vmdvorak@gmail.com.

HENRI NOUWEN: LIFE & LEGACY WEEKEND RETREAT at Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, Guelph from **February 3 – 5, 2017**. Facilitated by Michael W. Higgins, this weekend retreat on Nouwen's aching into holiness seems ideal for searchers keen on understanding his tireless quest for the Beloved. There will be readings from various parts of his texts with a focused reflection on how life and spirituality are one, deeply incarnational, driven, but with an abiding thirst for joy. Cost is \$260 for live-in or \$160 for commuters.

PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION MEETINGS – Men interested in learning about the Permanent Diaconate Formation Program in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to attend an information session being held on **Sunday, February 5, 2017** at the Chancery Office, Hamilton. To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Peter Gittens at diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com or by telephone at 905-528-7988 ext. 2258.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: An information meeting regarding the Share Lent campaign will be held on **Wednesday, February 8th** at 7:00 p.m. at St. John's Church Hall, 85 Strange Street, Kitchener. Parish representatives and others interested in the work of Development and Peace are encouraged to attend.

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors is on **Thursday, February 9, 2017** from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 Charles Street East, Maryhill. Admission is \$2 per person. Sheila Forler Bauman, Physiotherapist from Woolwich Physiotherapy will talk about "Heroes and Role Models in Rio, 2016". For information contact Joan Haid at 519-648-2742 or jehaid@xplornet.ca.

Join us on **Friday, February 10th** for the **NEXT LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE**. Mary Hynes, host of Tapestry, CBC Radio's Program about spirituality and the search for meaning, will talk about how the religion beat can be the most rewarding and the most frustrating subject matter in journalism. The lecture is at Vanstone Lecture Theatre, Academic Centre (SJ2 1004), St. Jerome's University at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Free of charge. Free parking. Wheelchair accessible and refreshments served.

The next **COMMUNITY CAN DINE** is on **Friday, February 10th** at Trinity United Church Fellowship Hall, 21 Arthur St. N., Elmira with ham and scalloped potatoes from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Pay what you can. Hosted by The Birthday Girls. Free children and youth drop in programs are now being offered during these events. For more information contact 519-669-5560 or Kelly from WCS at 519-669-5139.

There is a **VALENTINE DINNER** with a Rolled Rib Dinner on **Saturday, February 11th** with two sittings – 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Maryhill Heritage Community Centre Complex. Cost is \$17.50 per person, children 7-12 \$10, 6 years and under free. Sponsored by the Maryhill Knights of Columbus and the St. Boniface C.W.L. For tickets please contact Mary Campagnaro (519) 822-9287, Tim Vegh (519) 648-3952 or Doug Zinger (519) 648-2939. Please note: if you call for tickets please tell the time you would like to attend. Advance tickets only!!

KNOWING THE HEART OF JESUS at Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, Guelph from **February 24 - 26, 2017**. Facilitated by Bill Clarke, S.J., this is a silent guided retreat. Treat yourself to a time of prayerful rest with the One who loves you and longs to share His heart with you, inviting you to, "learn from me for I am gentle and humble of heart and you will find rest for yours souls" (Mt 11:29). Cost is \$260 for live-in or \$160 for commuters.

VOCATION SEEDS – "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven..." Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering being a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or at mking@hamiltondiocese.com or check out the website at www.hamiltonvocations.com.

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 21/d22: **\$2,703.80**
Average per envelope: **\$24.97**
Electronic funds for the week: **\$1,141.25**
(based on 4 Sundays per month)
Weekly parish operating expenses: **\$4,632.00**

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