# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

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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
Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

**Office Hours:** 

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



Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 9:00am

#### **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 Debbie Yutzi Fr. Peter Meyer Ken Gallipeau Dan Lauzon

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

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#### **Catholic Women's League**

Barb Vodicka

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Todd Cowan gk8192@ontariokofc.ca

#### 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.

**January 29, 2023** 

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time



#### St. Teresa of Avila School

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#### St. David Catholic Secondary School

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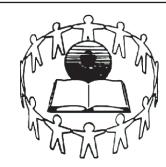
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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



#### **MASSES FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 29th**

#### Tuesday, January 31, 7:05 pm

My children, jump, run and play, and make all the noise you want, but avoid sin like the plaque and you will surely gain heaven. - St. John Bosco

- +Danielle Pilon; Earl & Donna Andersen
- +Jane Goll; Marcella & Judy Furlong

#### Wednesday, February 1,

9:00 am - Maryhill

11:00 am - St. Jacob's Place Mass

O my God, let me remember with gratitude and confess to thee they mercies towards me. - St. Augustine

#### Thursday, February 2, 12:05 pm

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

- +Elizabeth Moser; Jim & Marilyn Moser
- +Bob McCormick; Don & Joyce Zinger

#### Friday, February 3,

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. Therese of Lisieux

#### Saturday, February 4, 5:00 pm

- +Theresa Hahn Siemon; Leroy & Deana Siemon
- +Don Furlong; The Family
- +Vincent Snelling; Marie Snelling & Family

#### Sunday, February 5,

9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Maryhill

#### **READINGS FOR February 4/5**

Is 58:6-10 First Reading: Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:1-5 Gospel Reading: Mt 5:13-16

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SAT 4:00 pm 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice - Church

#### MINISTRIES for February 4/5

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Tim Baillargeon 5pm 9am Ron Stemmler

#### Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt, Marianne Kieswetter 9am Mike & Sharon Noel, Ray Denomme

Lector 5pm

Commentator Connie Kaster Marianne Kieswetter 9am Maria Diemert Lisa Denomme

#### Sign Ministry

Jan 29 Jim McInnis

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

Mon., January 30 Rev. William Trusz Tues., January 31 Rev. David Reitzel

Wed., February 1 Hospitaller Order of St. John of God

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Thurs., February 2 The Presentation of the Lord – World

Day for Consecrated Life

Fri., February 3 Rev. Ross Campbell Sat., February 4 Rev. Peter Robinson

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For parishes -We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

Juice, Peanut Butter & Lipton Cup-A-Soup

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We celebrate The Feast of the Presentation is on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, Our saving Lord, your loving parents offered you to your Father in the Temple in accordance with the law you revealed to Moses. In that offering, our souls are purified and we are offered to your Father with you. We thank you for the gift of salvation and pray that our souls will always radiate Your light as you dwell within us. Jesus, we trust in you.

Fr. Peter

**NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR THE CHURCH – Please** note that our church email address has changed to stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - "You are the light of the world." Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister of consecrated virgin? If you this God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondioceses.com

SPAGHETTI DINNER - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL 8192 - The Spaghetti Dinner to be held on Friday February 10, 2023, beginning at 5:00 p.m. with takeout at 4:30 p.m. It will be continuous seating until 7:30 p.m. Your help will be needed for ticket sales, preparation, set up and the evening of the event. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Please consider volunteering 1-2 hours for this worthwhile event. Cost \$15.00 for Adults, \$8.00 for Children (6-12), Free for Children (5 & Under) \$40.00 for a Family of 4. Advance tickets available until February 8, 2023. Please reserve you tickets by calling the Church Office at 519-669-3387.

#### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN - It's time to sign up for the 2023-24 school year.

- Children born in 2019 are eligible for Year 1 Kindergarten (JK).
- Children born in 2018 are eligible for Year 2 Kindergarten (SK).

Parents can access the Online Pre-Registration form by clicking on the Register for School link on the WCDSB Homepage and then choose Kindergarten Registration. To finalize your child's registration, please contact

St.https://www.wcdsb.ca/our-

schools/elementary-schools/ Teresa of Avila School @ 519-669-8843.

#### **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING – Liturgical**

Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2023 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637. Teresa of Avila School @ 519-669-8843

CELEBRATE OUR LADY OF LOURDES! The message of Our Lady to St. Bernadette is just as relevant today as it was in 1858. Come and be reminded of the healing power of prayer and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, February 11 at Our Lady of Lourdes, Parish in Waterloo with Celebrant His Excellency Bishop Wayne Lobsinger 6:00 p.m. - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession

**7:00 p.m.** - Holy Mass with Anointing of the Sick and veneration of St. Bernadette's relics first 24 families will be asked to join in a procession of roses to Our Lady followed by a reception in the parish hall.

ALPHA 2023 – ST. MARK PARISH – All are welcome to join this 11 week program, bringing people together for conversations about life, faith and Jesus; helping answer questions like: Who is Jesus? Why and how do I pray? Does God heal today? Join us Thursday evenings, Feb 16-April 27, from 6:45 to 9:15 p.m. at St Mark Parish Hall (55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener) For more info, or to sign up please contact Ron Denomme at <a href="mailto:rondenomme@gmail.com">rondenomme@gmail.com</a> or 226-748-3210.

coldest Night of the Year (cnoy) – You are invited to participate in this year's CNOY. What is CNOY, you may ask? CNOY is an annual fundraising walk for those experiencing homelessness or living in poverty in our community. Each year, this walk helps fund Ray of Hope's community center program where we provide nutritious meals, laundry and shower facilities, and life-changing resources. So, invite your family and friends, bundle up, and join us for a walk with a purpose on Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>! Soup and Starbucks refreshments will be provided to all, and walkers who raise \$150.00 or more will be gifted a special CNOY toque at the event day registration. You can visit <a href="https://cnoy.org/locations/kitchener">https://cnoy.org/locations/kitchener</a> to register. We hope to see you at Ray of Hope Community Centre on February 25<sup>th</sup>!

GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE – Friday, February 17, 2023, the GARTL is having a Fundraising Dinner at 6 pm & Mandarin Restaurant – 565 Woodlawn Rd. Guelph. Enjoy a complimentary dinner and learn about GARTL's pro-life educational work, hear the direction we're headed and have opportunity to donate. Space is limited. Please RSVP by Monday February 6, 2023. Call 519-893-6311 or email <a href="mailto:info@guelphforlife.com">info@guelphforlife.com</a>

YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE- Are you frustrated or angry at each other or have just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times to rediscover the relationship that drew you together. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples. For confidential information about, or to register for the program on March 10, 11, 12, 2023 please call 905-644-5212 or email 1013@helpourmarriage.org or visit the website www.retrouvaille.org

### ST. MARY'S GENERAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEE OPPORTUNITIES -

Are you interested in being involved in an organization committed to compassionate, high quality and equitable care? The St. Mary's hospital board is looking to fill two positions for the coming term. More information is available on the hospital website: <a href="https://www.smgh.ca/about-us/board-of-trustees/join-our-board-of-trustees">https://www.smgh.ca/about-us/board-of-trustees/join-our-board-of-trustees</a>

**HEALING STRESS/TRAUMA -** We all experience stress from world, regional and possibly family or personal issues. This is normal. The body tells the truth about hidden stress. The body keeps the score as we discover, sometimes painfully, the impact of intergenerational and collective trauma within us. We invite you to join Barbara Paleczny, School Sister of Notre Dame PhD, on Saturdays, February 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 – 11:30 am to learn ways to relieve and heal some of your stress and to help others. We will not ask your personal stories. Come, ready to participate without judging. Sister Barbara will explain why this method of popular education is essential, at least to accompany talk therapy. To register, email St. Mary's Parish office at stmarys@rogers.com. This event will be held at the Waterloo Catholic District School Board offices, 35 Weber Street, West, Kitchener.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** – Please pick up your box of Offertory Envelopes for the Year 2023, which are available in the hallway. If you wish to receive a box of envelopes place your name and address in the collection basket.

**CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS** – If you celebrated a Sacrament in 2022 your ornament is available for pick in the hallway. Example: Baptism are silver ornaments.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for Dec. 31/ Jan 1 \$8794.80 Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$81,979.55 Thank you!

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for January 7/8 \$3072.15 Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$84,480.32 Thank you!

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for January 14/15 \$3461.90 Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$84,480.32 Thank you!

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for January 21/22 \$3536.80 Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$84,480.32 Thank you!



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