

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

January 16, 2022

Second 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 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
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Dan Lauzon

Building & Finance Committee

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
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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
519-669-8843 Fax 519-669-4509

St. David Catholic Secondary School

4 High Street, Waterloo
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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. ✠

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

MASSES FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 10TH

Tuesday, January 11, 7:05 pm +Frank Walter; Hugh & Elaine McMahon <i>The soul that has its hope in God has nothing to fear, for all obstacles, difficulties, God overpowers. – St. Teresa of the Andes</i>
Wednesday, January 12, 9:00 am +Andreas Schwarz; Donna & Wayne Vollmer <i>Our Lady's love is like a stream that has its source in the eternal fountains, quenches the thirst of all, can never be drained, and ever flows back to its source. – St. Marguerite Bourgeoys</i>
Thursday, January 13, 12:05 pm Intentions of Danielle Pilon; Diane Dietrich <i>There is no space where God is not; space does not exist apart from him. – St. Hilary</i>
Friday, January 14, 9:00 am +Agnès Laturski; Ray & Trudy Denomme 9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration <i>If, then, you are looking for the way by which you should go, take Christ, because he himself is the way. – St. Thomas Aquinas</i>
Saturday, January 15, 5:00 pm +Greg Kelly; The Family +Stan Klein; The Family
Sunday, January 16, 9:30 a.m. Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR January 15/16

First Reading: Is 62:1-5
Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:4-11
Gospel Reading: Jn 2:1-11

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 10	Rev. Francisco Cruz
Tues., January 11	Rev. Brian Quigley, M.C.C.J.
Wed., January 12	Sisters of St. John the Baptist
Thurs., January 13	Rev. Mussie A. Keflezghi, M.C.C.J.
Fri., January 14	Rev. Stephen Murrin
Sat., January 15	Rev. Toby Collins, C.R.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Fruit, Cake/Muffin Mixes and Laundry Detergent

MINISTRIES for January 15/16

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Judy Furlong
9:30am Cheryl Dunn

Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly
9:30am Ray Denomme, Leona & Rick Weishar

Lector

5pm Armand Bertin
9:30am Linda Bruder

Commentator

Marianne Kieswetter
Wally Malcolm

Sign Ministry

Jan 10 Ray Denomme

My Dear Parishioners,

In the liturgical calendar, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord signifies the end of the Christmas season. The Baptism of the Lord is notable because it marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry and confirms his identity as the Son of God.

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

To all **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS**, the meeting scheduled on January 20th is cancelled.

CWL EXECUTIVE FOR 2022 - 2024

Elections were held on December 14, 2021 and the CWL Executive members for the next 2 year term are:
President - Barb Vodicka
Recording Secretary - Holly Chiarelli
Corresponding Secretary - Audrey Stemmler
Treasurer - Cheryl Dunn
Education & Health - Iris Miltenburg
Organization - Monique Conlin
Spiritual Development - Alice Soeder
There are other positions available (President Elect or Vice - President) as well as some committee chairs if anyone is interested, please contact Barb.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES – Please pick up your box of Offertory Envelopes for the Year 2022, which are available in the hallway. For those who are donating electronically please also pick up your set of envelopes as they have only the envelopes for special collections. If you wish to receive a box of envelopes place your name and address in the collection basket.

CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA RELIGIOUS CALENDARS are available for purchase. Cost is \$10 each. There are a limited amount available.

FUNDSCRIP GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER! Donate to our parish simply by buying and using gift cards for purchases you would be making every day! Simply email your order to stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com and e-transfer funds to the same email address. For those wanting to pay by cheque please make the cheque out to Barb Vodicka. Gift cards will be mailed directly to your home. Please see the Fundraisers page on our website for the long and short order forms and all the details or contact Barb Vodicka at 519-497-3162.

THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY SPEAKER SERIES, a monthly virtual event is starting in January 2022. January is the first month of the series and the only month where we will have three evening sessions (all the others will be one night each month). Bishop Lobsinger will give an overview of the document, Amoris Laetitia, on **January 12th and 19th** and Therese Hartnett will wrap up the sessions on **January 26th**. Each session will begin at 7 p.m. The title of the first talk is The Joy and Struggles of Family: Revealing the Wisdom in Pope Francis's Amoris Laetitia. To attend the Zoom sessions, register online or contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

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 **MENNO HOMES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** is on **Wednesday, January 26th** at 2:00 p.m. Details related to whether this will be an online event or a

hybrid one will be announced once we are closer to the actual date in January.

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

MARRIAGE SUPPORT - Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH – One of the sad facts of life is that many people are struggling with feelings of loneliness. When it comes to marriage, you are not meant to feel lonely, since marriage is meant to be life-giving, joyful and shared partnership. If loneliness in your marriage is something you are experiencing it is time to talk about it with your spouse. Take action to change the feelings: plan to share on a more intimate level the “stuff” of life; spend time together engaging in some kind of regular activity; be specific about what you need so you will not feel lonely in your marriage. Alleviating loneliness is vital for your mental and emotional health and it will certainly help you to recapture the true joy and meaning of your married relationship.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for December 24/25:	\$12,875.00
Offertory collection for December 26:	\$4,432.25
Offertory collection for Dec 31/Jan 1:	\$720.00
Offertory collection for January 2:	\$3,143.25
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$71,846.51
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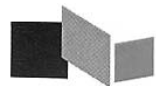
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