

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

March 13, 2022  
Second Sunday of Lent

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Basil Markides  
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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

#### Knights of Columbus

Frank McGuire

#### Vocations

Contact [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca) or  
[www.resurrectionist.net](http://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](http://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. ✠

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>

<b>Tuesday, March 15,</b> <b>6:30 pm Stations of the Cross</b> <b>7:05 pm +Don Grubb;</b> Cassidy & Grosz Families <i>Seek God in all things and we shall find God by our side. – St. Peter Claver</i>
<b>Wednesday, March 16, 9:00 am</b> <b>+Sylvester Moser &amp; Intentions of Tena Moser &amp; Family;</b> Jim & Marilyn Moser & Family <i>If you want your petition to be heard, hear the petition of others. When you fast, see the fasting of others. If you hope for mercy, show mercy. If you look for kindness, show kindness. If you want to receive, give. – St. Peter Chrysologus</i>
<b>Thursday, March 17, 12:05 pm</b> <b>+Clem Martin;</b> Greg & Julia Brubacher <i>Just take everything exactly as it is, put it in God's hands, and leave it with him. Then you will be able to rest in him – really rest. – St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>
<b>Friday, March 18,</b> <b>9:00 am +Joanne Moser;</b> Emmeline Runstedler & John DeWildt <b>9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration</b> <i>Make few resolutions. Make specific resolutions. And fulfill them with the help of God. – St. Josemaria Escriva</i>
<b>Saturday, March 19, 5:00 pm</b> <b>+Germaine Wright;</b> Allan & Jane Graff <b>+Norma Hanley;</b> Jim Hanley
<b>Sunday, March 20, 9:30 am – Third Sunday of Lent</b> <b>Our Parish Community</b>

#### READINGS FOR March 12/13

First Reading: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15  
Second Reading: 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12  
Gospel Reading: Lk 13:1-9

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**TUE** 6:30 pm **Stations of the Cross** – Church  
7:35 pm **Synod Meeting** – Hall  
**WED** 7:00 pm **9:30 am Choir Practice** – Church  
**THU** 6:45 pm **Knights of Columbus Executive Mtg**  
7:30 pm **Knights of Columbus General Meeting**

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

**A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO BIOETHICAL CHALLENGES** – We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

#### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

##### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., March 14	Rev. Francis Hubilla
Tues., March 15	Rev. Gregory Merkley
Wed., March 16	Lay Parish Ministers
Thurs., March 17	Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei.
Fri., March 18	Rev. Robert Bulbrook
Sat., March 19	Rev. Christopher Tracey

#### FOODBANK NEEDS

Laundry Detergent and Dish Soap

### MINISTRIES for March 19/20

#### Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kieran Kelly  
9:30am Barb Vodicka

#### Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt, Marianne Kieswetter  
9:30am Ron Stemmler, Adrian Miltenburg, Anne Hanley

#### Lector

5pm Armand Bertin  
9:30am Lisa Denomme

#### Commentator

Phil Milan  
Joan Coutu

#### Sign Ministry

Mar 14 Kieran Kelly

My Dear Parishioners,

As we continue our journey through Lent, we can remember the words of St. Teresa of Calcutta, "As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst...He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you."

Please pray for our young parishioners in Grade 2 and in Grade 7 preparing for their First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. These young people are special members of our community. They are undertaking special preparation for these sacraments of initiation.

Join us for the Stations of the Cross on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. during Lent.

If you have a family member who is aged or infirm and would like to receive communion at home please contact the Parish Office.

Praying that you and your family stay safe and well!

Fr. Peter

**CONFESSIONS** will be on **Saturdays beginning March 19<sup>th</sup> during lent** from 4:00 – 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to help with funerals. We need your help for set-up, take-down and in the kitchen. If you are able to help for any of these jobs please contact the Parish Office. Let us know your availability (morning, afternoon or evening).

Pope Francis wants all of us to be a part of discerning the mission of the church. The church values all contributions to this discussion group and wants individual input. The Diocese of Hamilton is asking us to speak boldly and honestly with your feedback. All voices, young and old, are important. We would like to invite you to a **DISCUSSION GROUP** regarding the Synod. Please join us on **Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>** following the 7 p.m. Mass. Please register with the Parish Office by telephone (519-669-3387) or email (StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com). We would

appreciate your input. We will also provide information for individual input at a later date.

**C.W.L. LADIES!** One of the Catholic Women's League of Canada's strategies is to improve the effectiveness of communications at all levels of the League. We need your input! Please provide your feedback about how we communicate by completing the online survey found at [surveyMonkey.com/r/CWLCOMSurvey](https://surveyMonkey.com/r/CWLCOMSurvey). If you are on Facebook, the church page has the link posted. If you are not online and would like to fill out a paper copy to mail in, please contact Barb at 519 497-3162. Online and paper surveys should be submitted before March 21, 2022.

Join us for **40 DAYS FOR LIFE – MASS WITH BISHOP LOBSINGER** on **Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. Bishop Lobsinger will be visiting the Basilica of Our Lady for a special Mass for 40 Days for Life. 40 Days for Life is a time of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The prayer vigil is taking place daily from March 2<sup>nd</sup> to April 10<sup>th</sup> in downtown Guelph, and all are encouraged to sign up to pray. The location has been moved to the front steps (facing the road) of the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph. **40 Days for Life continues to be an ecumenical effort.** Visit [40daysforlife.com/guelph](https://40daysforlife.com/guelph) for more details or call 519-836-6311.

**3 KEYS TO CREATING YOUR CATHOLICHOM (HOUSEHOLD ON MISSION)** is the third talk in our Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series - What does it take to create a happy, holy family life? Is that even possible these days? It is! Join us for a dynamic discussion of the three things every Catholic family can do to relate more lovingly, connect more meaningfully, and care for each other and the world more deeply. Discover simple, practical ways you can create a more joyful, peaceful family life, encounter Christ more meaningfully at home, and experience your faith as the source of warmth in your home. Join us on **Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 7-8:30 p.m. as we welcome Dr. Greg and Lisa Popcak, creators of CatholicHOM ([CatholicHOM.com](https://CatholicHOM.com)) a dynamic online community, directors of [CatholicCounselors.com](https://CatholicCounselors.com), founders of The Peyton Institute for Domestic Church Life, as well as authors of over 20 popular books integrating the timeless wisdom of our Catholic faith with contemporary research in counseling psychology. Visit: <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com> for more information on the series and to register. For more information contact Teresa Hartnett at [thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com), or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Spring is almost here, and Woolwich Community Services (WCS) has some great programs and initiatives happening this month.

- **FREE INCOME TAX CLINIC** from **March 1<sup>st</sup> – April 30<sup>th</sup>**. This is for those with low income. Call to see if you qualify at 519-669-5139. Simple income tax returns completed by trained volunteers. No walk-ins. By appointment only.
- **ONLINE COOKING PROGRAM**, for those aged 65 years and older who live in Woolwich Township. This program includes a free meal kit during the month of March that will include all the items needed to participate. It is delivered to you the day prior to the program or a list of ingredients so that you can shop for the recipe items can be requested and you can shop for them yourself. The online cooking is free to attend and offers recipes anyone can enjoy. **Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>** is Vegetable Barley Soup and Pumpkin Muffins from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Please **register by Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup>**. For more info or to register call 519-669-5139 ext. 228. or email [leighanne.wcs@yahoo.com](mailto:leighanne.wcs@yahoo.com).

**PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH** – Lent is a time of reflection for all Catholics and a perfect season to help children understand why we engage in prayer, works of charity, care for all and practising self-control, since all of these can bring us closer to God. Spend time on your Lenten journey as a family by attending Mass and discussing, in simple language, the readings you hear. Decide as a family on prayers and reflections to engage in each day of Lent and together look at how your family might use their resources to give to others. Your children can bring hope to the hearts of others during Lent and their spiritual journey will be enhanced by your presence and guidance. Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**VOCATION SEEDS** – Peter, John and James had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our lives. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Losinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for March 5/6:	\$3,903.75
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$74,326.51
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