

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

March 18, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter,
 1851.

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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
 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

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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

75 First St. W., Elmira
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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. ✠

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 19TH

Tuesday, March 20,

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Knights of Columbus)
7:10 p.m. +Pat Wintermeyer; Charlotte & Carl Mueller

By often turning your eyes on [Our Lord] in meditation, your whole soul will be filled with him. – St. Teresa of Avila

Wednesday, March 21, 10:30 a.m. - Chartwell

+Beatrice Walter; Paul & Barb Grosz

A blessed life may be defined as consisting simply and solely in the possession of goodness and truth. – St. Ambrose

Thursday, March 22, 10:00 a.m. – School Lenten Mass

+Father Ted Hughes; Maurice Downey

Through God's Word, the whole creation learns that there is one God, who holds all things together and gives them their being. – St. Irenaeus

Friday, March 23,

9:00 a.m. John Schill; Mike & Marlene Brenner
9:30 – 12:30 a.m. Adoration

My suffering is not my own. It is the Passion of Christ, stretching out its tendrils into my life in order to bear rich clusters of grapes, making my soul dizzy with the wine of Christ's love, and pouring that wine as strong as fire upon the world. – Thomas Merton

Saturday, March 24, 5 p.m.

+Agostinho Bretao; The Family
+Agnes Kraemer; Charles & Kathy Stemmler

Sunday, March 25, 9:30 am

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR March 24/25

First Reading: Is 50:4-7
 Second Reading: Phil 2:6-11
 Gospel Reading: Mk 14:1-15:47

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE	7:45 pm	Confirmation Parent Meeting – Church
WED	7:00 pm	5 p.m. Choir Practice – Church
	7:00 pm	9:30 a.m. Choir Practice – Seminar
THU	11:00 am	Scripture Study - Rectory
	7:00 pm	Set-up for Fish Fry – Hall
FRI	5:30-7 pm	Fish Fry
SUN	After 9:30 am	Mass Coffee Sunday

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., March 19	Rev. Francesco Cucchi
Tues., March 20	Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo
Wed., March 21	Legionaries of Christ, L.C.
Thurs., March 22	Rev. David Wilhelm
Fri., March 23	Rev. Scott Whitfield
Sat., March 24	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki, D.D.

MINISTRIES for March 24/25

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Erl Andersen, Phil Milan, Tim Baillargeon
 9:30am Iris Miltenburg, Matthew Griffin, Rick Weishar

Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Jodi Sereres, Greg & Brent Goetz
 9:30am Adrian Miltenburg, Sharon Both, Ron & Joyce Stemmler

Altar Servers

5pm Need Servers
 9:30am Ellen Siebel-Achenbach, Michèle Siebel-Achenbach,
 Ailah Kauk and Lana Kauk

Lectors

5pm Peggy Kelly
 9:30am Isabella Maher
 Lisa Denomme

Commentator

Colleen Weber
 Joan Coutu

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Mar 25 Marianne Kieswetter

Sign Ministry

Mar 19 Lucier Family

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Mar 21 Jane Goll

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Juice Boxes and Sidekicks

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: In our **MINI MAGAZINE**

this 5th week of Lent, read about three wonderful, highly committed community peace makers from Canada: Elizabeth Garcia Carrillo, Michel Lacroix and Desiree Nelson. Today is **SOLIDARITY SUNDAY**. Please be generous in giving. Our donations support 170 partners doing 202 projects, in 36 countries around the world. We end our Share Lent pilgrimage today with the words of Pope Francis: "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Please check out the Lenten suggestions for March 25th – March 31st in your **SOLIDARITY CALENDAR**.

WORKSHOP FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE A MINISTRY

AT MASS – On **Saturday, April 14th** we are hosting a Workshop with Christina Ronzio from the Diocese for all those who are involved in a ministry at Mass. Please plan to attend and confirm attendance by either email at StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com or call 519-669-3387 (9 a.m. – 1 p.m.) to confirm your attendance. We will be reviewing what the guidelines are from the diocese and what we do in our parish. Check-in is at 10 a.m. with the workshop running from 10:30 a.m. – Noon and concluding with lunch at Noon. Please plan on attending this informative and rejuvenating workshop.

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Taelyn Kitana Khanthavong**, daughter of Krystal. *We pray that God will help her to grow in holiness and wisdom.*

We will have a **FOOD DRIVE** to support our local Food Bank. Food may be dropped off any time throughout Holy Week. On **Holy Week**, bins will be placed in the narthex and a basket of food will be brought forward during the offertory on **Holy Thursday** to represent all the food donated for the hungry of our community.

MARCH 18, 2018

We need your **HELP TO DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER** on **Friday, March 30th** from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. If you can help, please sign the sheet in the narthex or call the Parish Office at 519-669-3387.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.....DIVE INTO GOD'S WORD - This summer's Vacation Bible School at St. Teresa's Church will be from July 16th – 20th from 9 a.m. – 12 Noon. This program is for children ages 4-11. The cost is \$30/child or \$75/family. Registration will take place after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on April 8th & 15th. You can also register at the parish office (9 a.m. – 1 p.m.) during the week. For more info, contact Donna at 519-669-3387.

GARDEN PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS – For this year's Garden Party to be held on Friday, June 8, 2018 we are in need of prizes with a value of at least \$100 or more. Prize donations may be dropped off at the church office by calling the church office at 519-669-3387 or emailing teresagardenparty2013@gmail.com to **commit to supplying a prize**. The **deadline** to record all prizes is **Wednesday, March 28, 2018**. Thank you for your support.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION – Confirmation: A Parent Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 20th at 7:45 p.m.** Please join us for the 7:10 p.m. Mass followed by the meeting. If your child attends a public school please contact the Parish Office.

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **FISH FRY** on **Friday, March 23, 2018** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating – 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Take out will be at 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Cost is Adults \$16.00; Children (12 & under) \$8.00; and Take-out is \$16.00. Advanced tickets are available until March 21st. Purchase your tickets at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m. or call (519) 669-3387.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help with the Fish Fry on March 22nd and 23rd. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Please consider volunteering your time to help out with this worthwhile event. Thank you.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE DATES
Tues., March 20th at 7 p.m. at St. Agatha, St. Agatha
Thurs., March 22nd at 7 p.m. at St. Clements, St. Clements
Tues., March 27th at 7 p.m. at St. Teresa, Elmira

MINISTERS are needed for the various ministries on **Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday**. If you are able to help please call the Parish Office (519) 669-3387 or email StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com.

HOLY THURSDAY (Last Supper)
Thursday, March 29th – 7:00 p.m.
GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
Friday, March 30th – 11:00 a.m.
HOLY SATURDAY (Easter Vigil)
Saturday, March 31st – 8:00 p.m.
EASTER SUNDAY (Resurrection of the Lord)
Sunday, April 1st – 10:00 a.m.

The last Elmira and District Ministerial Association **WEDNESDAY EVENING ECUMENICAL LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE** for Wednesday, March 21st at 7:00 p.m. is at Trinity United Church, Elmira with speaker Father David Lewis.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – CLOSING POTLUCK – All are welcome to a closing potluck on **Sunday, March 25th** at 6:00 p.m. to mark the end of the 40 Days for Life Pro-life Prayer Campaign. The gathering will be at Holy Rosary Church's Community Room, and those who have prayed at the vigil will be sharing their experiences. RSVP by contacting the Right to Life office at 519-836-6311 or info@guelphforlife.com.

The next **ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE WITH TAIZE SONGS** is on **Sunday, March 25th** at 7:30 p.m. at St. Agatha Catholic Church, 1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha.

WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP SENIORS LUNCH CLUB – Join us for a hot light lunch and fellowship with old and new friends at the Woolwich Memorial Centre, 24 Snyder Avenue, Elmira on **Monday, March 26, 2018**. Register by 10 a.m. on the Thursday morning before the lunch. Cancellations are to be made by 2 p.m. the Thursday before the lunch. Lunch is served at 12 noon. The cost is \$6. Call Community Care Concepts at 519-664-1900 to register.

The National Catholic Mission 2018, **THE MASS: THE MYSTERY AT THE CENTRE OF SALVATION** with Father Michael Coutts S.J. will be broadcast during Holy Week on VisionTV: Part 1 Monday, March 26; Part 2 March 27th at 8 p.m. ET AND Salt + Light: Part 1 March 27th; Part 2 March 28th at 8 p.m. ET. The 2018 Mission will be rebroadcast: Part 1 on Good Friday and Part 2 Holy Saturday at the times of the regular Daily TV Mass. The Mission will also be available at www.dailytvmass.com. For more information please contact the NCBC toll-free at 1-888-383-6277 or by e-mail at info@ncbc.ca.

GOOD FRIDAY FISH FRY – Join us at the Maryhill Heritage Community Centre on **Friday, March 30th** between 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eat in or take out. NO reservations – First Come, First Served. Haddock with fresh hand cut fries served with coleslaw, tartar sauce and lemon. 1 or 2 piece dinner available. Dessert, bar & refreshments also available. Cash only. For information call (519) 648-2939.

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 March 10/11: \$3,095.75
Average per envelope: \$27.81
Electronic funds for the week: \$1,143.75
(based on 4 Sundays per month)
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,632.00
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$27,852.00
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