

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

March 19, 2017  
Third Sunday  
of Lent

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



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

Mary Jane Yaeger

#### Knights of Columbus

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#### 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  
registration package in the church foyer.

#### Bulletin Deadline

Written submissions by Monday noon.

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. ✠

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>

<p><b>Tuesday, March 21,</b>  <b>7:05 pm</b> +Caroline Helm; Marianne Kieswetter &amp; Family  <b>7:35 pm</b> Confirmation Class  <i>Bless those who curse you, and pray for your enemies, and fast for those who persecute you. – Didache</i></p>
<p><b>Wednesday, March 22, 9:00 am</b>                  + Barb Fox; Ann Staines  <i>To abandon, for God's sake, all worldly enjoyments, has always been the practice of holy souls. – St. Alphonsus Liguori</i></p>
<p><b>Thursday, March 23, 12:05 pm</b>                  +Frances Lewis; Dolly Sowa  <i>It is simply impossible to lead a virtuous life without the aid of prayer. – St. John Chrysostom</i></p>
<p><b>Friday, March 24,</b>  <b>9:00 am</b> +Dennis Reid; Mary Jane &amp; Robert Yaeger  <b>9:30 am – Noon</b> Adoration  <b>6:45 pm</b> – Stations of the Cross  <i>It is true that God's power triumphs over everything, but humble and suffering prayer prevails over God himself. – St. Pius of Pietrelcina</i></p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 25, 5:00 pm</b>                  +Jose Ferreira; Paula Ferreira                  +Margaret Logel; Vicki &amp; Rod MacKenzie</p>
<p><b>Sunday, March 26, Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>  <b>9:30 am</b> Our Parish Community  <b>During 9:30 am Mass</b> First Communion Class</p>

#### READINGS FOR March 25/26

First Reading: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7.10-13a  
 Second Reading: Eph 5:8-14  
 Gospel Reading: Jn 9:1-41

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**TUE** 1:00 pm **Prayer Shawl Ministry** - Library  
**WED** 7:00 pm **Choir Practice (5 pm)** – Church  
 7:00 pm **Choir Practice (9 :30 am)** - Seminar  
**THU** 10:45 am **Quest Scripture Study** – Library  
 7:00 pm **Set-up for Lenten Fish Fry** - Hall  
**FRI** 5:00 & 6:30 pm **Lenten Fish Fry**  
**SAT** 10:30 am **R.C.I.A.** - Rectory

#### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:

Mon., March 20 Rev. Ilija Petkovic  
 Tues., March 21 Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic  
 Wed., March 22 Legionaries of Christ, L.C.  
 Thurs., March 23 Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony  
 Fri., March 24 Rev. Felix Nwatu  
 Sat., March 25 Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki, D.D.

#### MINISTRIES for March 25/26

##### Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kieran Kelly, Kevin Dupuis, Kathy Ziegler  
 9:30am Sandi Hutchinson, Ken Gallipeau, Agnes Downey

##### Hospitality

5pm Greg & Brent Goetz, Mike & Doris Snelling  
 9:30am Adrian Miltenburg, Bill & Anne Hanley, Peter Antonello

##### Altar Servers

5pm Fiona Bernard, Phil Milan  
 9:30am Matthew Deyell, Reid Deyell, Isabella Maher

#### Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin  
 9:30am Sheila Bauman  
 Wally Malcolm

#### Commentator

Colleen Weber  
 Tom Fahey

#### Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Mar 26 Jane Goll

#### Sign Ministry

Mar 20 Lucier Family

#### Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Apr 5 Ann Staines

#### FOODBANK NEEDS

Sidekicks and Canned Fruit

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE:** In our **MINI MAGAZINE**, this 3<sup>rd</sup> week of Lent, meet Cecile Dazadi from the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Cecile explains why community radio is an essential tool for women denouncing sexual violence. Women in her country are now aware of their rights, thanks to RCK Radio, sponsored by Development and Peace. Please check out the Lenten suggestions for March 19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> in your **SOLIDARITY CALENDAR**.

#### PENITENTIAL SERVICE DATES

Wed., March 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Agatha, St. Agatha  
 Thurs., March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Clements, St. Clements  
 Thurs., April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Teresa, Elmira

The Catholic Women's League is spearheading a **SPECIAL LENTEN PROJECT**. We will be collecting donations for Monica Place for Pregnant and Parenting Youth. Instead of "giving something up" for Lent, here is a way of "giving" for Lent. For ideas see the notice on the bulletin board.

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **FISH FRY** on **Friday, March 24, 2017** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, Elmira. There will be two sittings – 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Take out will be at 6:00 p.m. Cost is Adults \$15.00; Children (12 & under) \$8.00; and Take Out is \$15.00. Advanced tickets are available until March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Purchase your tickets after Masses or at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m. or call (519) 669-3387. Don't miss out on this popular annual dinner. Proceeds go to the Knights of Columbus Charities.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help with the Fish Fry on March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.** Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex. Please consider volunteering your time to help out with this worthwhile event. Thank you.

The next **ELMIRA AND DISTRICT MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE** is on **Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>** at the Floradale Mennonite Church at 7 p.m. with speaker Scott Sinclair. All are welcome to attend.

As a donor please join us as we celebrate 41 years of service building healthy communities at the **WOOLWICH COUNSELLING CENTRE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** on **Wednesday, March 22, 2017** at 7 p.m. at St. Teresa of Avila Church, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira in the library. For more information contact Woolwich Counselling at 519-669-0980 or email [www.woolwichcounselling.org](http://www.woolwichcounselling.org).

Development and Peace **SOLIDARITY QUILT**: As part of D & P's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, a giant solidarity quilt is being created in dioceses all across Canada by our members and partners in the Global South. Each diocese is creating a square, and a pilgrimage will take the pieces across the country from west to east and east to west. The quilt will be assembled in the centre of the country. The pieces of the quilt will be on display at **St. Jerome's University, Notre Dame Chapel, on March 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Mass will be at 7 p.m. followed by a reception. The quilt will be at **St. Michael's Parish, 240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo on March 29<sup>th</sup>**, with evening prayer at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

Men interested in the vocation to the **priesthood are invited to the COME AND SEE RETREAT at St. Peter's Seminary in London on the weekend of March 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**. This is a unique opportunity to spend time with those studying for the priesthood, hear their stories, and pray for your vocation. More details at [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com).

**RETOUVAILLE: A LIFELINE FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES** – So many couples struggle alone and confused with their difficulties. Retrouvaille offers those in troubled and painful marriages the chance to rediscover themselves, their spouse and a loving relationship in their marriage. You are NOT alone. Please don't wait. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a **weekend on March 24, 2017**, please call 905-664-5212 or email: [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit the website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites everyone to attend the **MINI-RETREAT & GROCERY SHOWER** (No Meat) to be held **Saturday, March 25, 2017** from 10.30 a.m. – 2.00 p.m. at the Monastery in St. Agatha. Mass will be celebrated, preceded by the Rosary. The Retreat Master will be Reverend Ron Voisin.

**"THINE IS THE GLORY" CONCERT** - On **Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**, celebrate the power and glory of Easter with the Wayne Gilpin Singers in the Notre Dame Chapel at St. Jerome's University, 290 Westmount Road North, Waterloo. "Thine is the Glory" Concert will feature the performance of sacred music of the season. The concert begins at 2:00 p.m. and parking is available. All are welcome to attend with a freewill offering and all proceeds will be donated to the Notre Dame Chapel renovations. For more information, contact Martha Fauteux at 519-884-8110 ext 28220 or email [mfautuex@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:mfautuex@uwaterloo.ca).

**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 27, 2017**. Register by 10 a.m. on the Thursday morning before the lunch. Cancellations are to be made by 2 p.m. the Friday before the lunch. Lunch is served at 12 noon. The cost is \$6. Call Community Care Concepts at 519-664-1900 to register.

**AGING WELL IN WOOLWICH INFORMATION & ACTIVE LIVING FAIR** – Join us for this free event on **Tuesday, March 28, 2017** from 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the Breslau Community Centre, 100 Andover Drive, Breslau. There will be speakers talking about Age Friendly Community, Aging Well & Maintaining and a Health Panel. There will also be information displays, lunch, door prizes and transportation to the event. **For lunch and/or transportation you must register by March 24<sup>th</sup>** at 519-664-1900/1-855-664-1900.

In honour of our Bishop, the Reverend Douglas Crosby, the Waterloo Region Catholic Schools Foundation is presenting the **12TH ANNUAL BISHOP'S BANQUET** on **Wednesday, March 29, 2017** in the historic St. Mary's Parish Hall, 35 Weber Street West, Kitchener. The keynote speaker is Bishop Douglas Crosby. Tickets are available by contacting Jody L. Fritz by email at [jody.fritz@wcscsb.ca](mailto:jody.fritz@wcscsb.ca), by telephone at (519) 578-3660 ext. 2373 as well as the website at [www.wrcsf.ca](http://www.wrcsf.ca). The tickets are \$100 each or \$800 for a table of eight. A charitable receipt will be issued for a significant portion of the ticket price. Proceeds go to support program needs in our Catholic Schools.

**VOCATION SEEDS** – "But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).

**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS** – On **Sunday, June 25, 2017**, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 p.m. The Mass is for couples married 25, 40, 50, 60 or 60 plus years in the year 2017. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required.) To register for the celebration please see the poster on the bulletin board of the church or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.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."**

<b>Offertory collection for March 4/5:</b>	<b>\$3,689.79</b>
<b>Average per envelope:</b>	<b>\$27.60</b>
<b>Offertory collection for March 11/12:</b>	<b>\$3,020.75</b>
<b>Average per envelope:</b>	<b>\$26.97</b>
<b>Electronic funds for the week:</b>	<b>\$1,141.25</b>
<b>(based on 4 Sundays per month)</b>	
<b>Weekly parish operating expenses:</b>	<b>\$4,632.00</b>
<b>Thank you!</b>	

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