

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

March 19, 2023

Fourth Sunday
of Lent

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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Office Administration: Donna Vollmer

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Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm



Mass Times

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

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. ✠

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 20TH

Tuesday, March 21, 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross – Led by the Choir 7:05 pm +James Elliott; Wes & Theresa Grosz & Family +Thomas & Evelyn Ward; Deirdre Ward <i>The Son of Man came for sinners, and we are bound to seek their conversion. – St. John of God</i>
Wednesday, March 22, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>Our hearts were made for you, O Lord, and they are restless until they rest in you. – St. Augustine</i>
Thursday, March 23, 12:05 pm +Gertrude Scherrer; Helen Palach Family +Frank Walter; Estate <i>Our actions have a tongue of their own; they have an eloquence of their own, even when the tongue is silent. – St. Cyril of Jerusalem</i>
Friday, March 24, 9:00 am Mass - Maryhill <i>We always find that those who walked closest to Christ were those who had to bear the greatest trials. – St. Teresa of Avila</i>
Saturday, March 25, 5:00 pm +Freda Botha; Basil & Sue Markides +Jane Goll; Ray & Trudy Denomme
Sunday, March 26, Fifth Sunday of Lent 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill

MINISTRIES for March 25/26

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Steve Pond
9am Pat Ditner

Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Marianne Kieswetter
9am Ron Stemmler, Leona & Rick Weishar

Lector

5pm Connie Kaster
9am Maria Diemert

Commentator

Judy Furlong
Lisa Denomme

Children's Liturgy

Mar 26 Anna Jakeman, Ken Gallipeau

Sign Ministry

Mar 20 Jim McInnis

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The Solemnity of St. Joseph is this Monday, March 20th. I invite you to join with me in the newly renovated Chapel at the Carmel of St. Joseph, St Agatha for Mass at 3 p.m. with celebrant, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger.

Join us for a Lenten Retreat facilitated by the School Sisters of Notre Dame this Saturday, March 25th from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. with Mass following the retreat. Please make sure to register for the retreat by contacting the Parish Office. All and anyone welcome to join us for the retreat.

Fr. Peter

READINGS FOR March 25th/26th

First Reading: Ez 37:12-14
Second Reading: Rom 8:8-11
Gospel Reading: Jn 11:1-45

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON	7:00 pm C.W.L. Lenten Circle – Library
TUE	1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting – Library
	2:00 pm External Eucharistic Minister Meeting
	6:30 pm Stations of the Cross – Church
	7:30 pm First Communion Parent Mtg – Church
	7:35 pm Parish Pastoral Council Mtg – Library
THU	6:00 pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting
SAT	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm Lenten Retreat – Hall
	4:00 pm 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice – Church

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., March 20	St. Joseph, Patron of Canada & the Universal Church
Tues., March 21	Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
Wed., March 22	Franciscan Fathers, O.F.M.
Thurs., March 23	Rev. Piotr Golinski
Fri., March 24	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
Sat., March 25	The Annunciation of the Lord

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For victims of abuse – We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Jam, Ketchup and Canned Pasta

Dear Parishioners: We are continuing our search for more **VOLUNTEERS TO BRING COMMUNION** to the people who are unable to attend Mass and/or those who are in Long Term Care settings. We will be having a meeting on **Tuesday, March 21st** at 2 p.m. in the library. If you are considering this ministry please come to this meeting to hear more about it. Kindly extend this invitation to others who may be interested and please either telephone the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 or email stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com to let the secretary know of your willingness to attend this meeting. Thank you!

MINI RETREAT, "MARY'S YES TODAY" – Join us on **Saturday, March 25th** from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. followed by the Eucharist at 5:00 p.m. The retreat is facilitated by the School Sisters of Notre Dame: Rosemary Howarth, Celeste Reinhart and Barbara Paleczny. All are welcome. Please register for the retreat by calling the St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office at 519-669-3387 or emailing stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com.

C.W.L. AROUND THE LENTEN CIRCLE - All parishioners are invited to gather around the Lenten circle for small group discussions. For six Monday evenings we will read and reflect on the scriptures for the five Sundays of Lent and Palm Sunday, share our thoughts and experiences, and feed our body and soul as we prepare to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. Please join us for these small group sessions on **Monday, March 20th and 27th** from 7 - 8 p.m. in the library, followed by snacks and fellowship. Hosted by the St. Teresa C.W.L. All are welcome! For more info

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contact Alice Soeder at
alice_soeder@hotmail.com or 519-669-1859.
We are working on the Altar Server Ministry. If you are in
Grade 4 or older and are interested in being an **ALTAR
SERVER** at weekend Masses please contact Iris Miltenburg
at the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 or by email at
stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com. Training is provided.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE DATE

Thursday, March 23rd at 7 p.m. at St. Teresa, Elmira

We will have a **FOOD DRIVE** to support our local Food
Bank beginning March 25th/26th. Food may be dropped off
during office hours or before or after Masses. 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.

HOLY THURSDAY (Last Supper)

Thursday, April 6th – 7:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Friday, April 7th – 11:00 a.m.

HOLY SATURDAY (Easter Vigil)

Saturday, April 8th – 8:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY (Resurrection of the Lord)

Sunday, April 9th – 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Mark your calendar for the **ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY** on
Friday, September 15, 2023.

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH – Join us for Mass on
Monday, March 20th at 3.00 p.m. in the newly renovated
Chapel at the Carmel of St. Joseph, St Agatha. The
celebrant will be Bishop Wayne Lobsinger. Light
refreshments to follow.

Join the **REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL** for our fun family
screening of **COCO** on **March 23, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. This
delightful film follows young Miguel as he dreams of
becoming an accomplished musician, despite his family's
generations-old ban on music. Themes of Family and
Community, Dignity of the Human Person, Forgiveness, and
Cultural Diversity are explored. The screening will be
hosted online. R.S.V.P. and view our full schedule of
events at www.reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/. A
partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives
and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival
shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and
economic injustice.

The next **YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT** is on **Saturday, April
1st** in Guelph. Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults
(ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of
Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy
Hour (6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.), Social with Food (7:30 p.m. -
8:30 p.m.), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00 p.m.
- 9:00 p.m.), and Compline (9:00 p.m.) on Saturday, April
1st at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk
Street, Guelph. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the
Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact
vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

MARYHILL PARK FISH FRY FUNDRAISER is on **GOOD
FRIDAY, April 7th** at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 St,
Charles St. E. from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Eat in or take
out. No reservations are needed. First come - first
served. Fresh cut fries with haddock, coleslaw, tartar sauce
and lemon. Cost is 1 pc. - \$16 or 2 pc. - \$19. Children 12 &
under may buy a half price 1 pc for \$8.00 if dining in house
only! Hot Dogs also available. Dessert & refreshments
available. Dinner includes coffee and tea. **CASH ONLY
PLEASE!** Call ahead take out orders are most welcome.
For more information contact (519) 648-2939.

The next **LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE** is on
Wednesday, April 19th at Notre Dame Chapel, SJ1
Classrooms and Library Building at St. Jerome's University
at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Jose Pereira, Director, Division of Palliative
Care and Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at
McMaster University in Hamilton, will speak on "The End of
Life Care and the Cost of Neglect". There is
complimentary parking. It is wheelchair accessible.
Refreshments will be served prior to the lecture. Admission
is free, but please register as seating is limited. Tickets are
not required at the door.

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY – Bishop Wayne
Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with
His Excellency". This is an opportunity to learn more about
our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic
Church. Class is the **second Friday of each month**, at 7
p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. It is also
available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No
cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our
faith. All are welcome.

THE 2023 DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY – Time is
running out! Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th,
60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you
are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the
Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on
Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ
the King in Hamilton at 1:30 p.m. (Space allows room for
Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more
may bring 1 guest if you require assistance.) Register now
at hamiltondiocese.com or contact the Family Ministry
Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Join the Knights of Columbus for **FISH FRY FRIDAYS** at
the Columbus Conference Centre, 145 Dearborn Place,
Waterloo. The seating time on Fridays is 5:30 p.m. Meal
includes Fish & Chips, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll. The cost is
one Piece \$15.00 (tax included) or two Pieces \$20.00 (tax
included). Good Friday seatings are 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.
and 7 p.m. You must call for reservations at 519-884-2060.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for March 11/12:	\$3,837.70
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$88,483.04

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