

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

March 26, 2023

Fifth Sunday  
of Lent

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

**Pastor:** Rev. Peter Meyer

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

**Office Administration:** Donna Vollmer

**Sacramental Preparation:** Iris Miltenburg

**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](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

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### 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. ✠

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>

### MINISTRIES for April 1/2

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| <p><b>Tuesday, March 28,</b><br/> <b>6:30 pm Stations of the Cross</b> – Led by Confirmation Group<br/> <b>7:05 pm Intentions of Hinsperger &amp; Koebel Families;</b> Pam &amp; Chris Cassidy &amp; Family<br/> <b>+Peter Peloso;</b> Paul Shutsa &amp; Diane Smith<br/> <i>Charity is certainly greater than any rule. Moreover, all rules must lead to charity. – St. Vincent de Paul</i></p> |
| <p><b>Wednesday, March 29, 9:00 am – Maryhill</b><br/> <i>Before prayer, endeavour to realize whose presence you are approaching, and to whom you are about to speak. – St. Teresa of Avila</i></p>  |
| <p><b>Thursday, March 30, 12:05 pm</b><br/> <b>+Betty Schill;</b> Knights of Columbus Council 8192<br/> <b>+Hank Willms;</b> Gord &amp; Cheryl Dunn<br/> <i>Acquire the Holy Spirit and thousands around you will acquire salvation. – St. Seraphim Sarov</i></p>  |
| <p><b>Friday, March 31, 9:00 am – Maryhill</b><br/> <i>Fasting cleanses the soul, raises the mind, subjects one's flesh to the spirit, renders the heart contrite and humble...and kindles the true light of chastity. – St. Augustine</i></p>   |
| <p><b>Saturday, April 1, 5:00 pm</b><br/> <b>+Ina &amp; Walter Kieffer;</b> Sharon Both<br/> <b>+Jane Goll;</b> Bev Bayus</p>  |
| <p><b>Sunday, April 2,</b><br/> <b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</b><br/> <b>9:00 am Our Parish Community</b><br/> <b>11:00 am Maryhill</b></p>   |

#### Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Tim Baillargeon  
 9am Sharon Both

#### Hospitality

5pm Kieran and Geoff Kelly  
 9am Mike & Sharon Noel, Adrian Miltenburg

#### Lector

5pm Armand Bertin  
 9am Leona Weishar

#### Commentator

Patsy Pond  
 Iris Miltenburg

#### Children's Liturgy

Apr 2 Anna Jakeman, Theresa Mendler

#### Sign Ministry

Mar 27 Ray Denomme

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This weekend is the collection for Share Lent – Development and Peace. This collection assists the Global South. The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace financially supports development and aid projects in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as informs Canadian Catholics on international social justice questions. Please be as supportive if you can.

Thank you to those who attended the Lenten Retreat and for the Sisters who facilitated it. It was well prepared and well attended.

Fr. Peter

#### READINGS FOR April 1/2

First Reading: Is 50:4-7  
 Second Reading: Phil 2:6-11  
 Gospel Reading: Mt 26:14-27:66

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**MON** 7:00 pm **C.W.L. Lenten Circle** – Library  
**TUE** 6:00 pm **First Communion Session** – Hall  
 6:30 pm **Stations of the Cross** – Church  
 7:30 pm **Confirmation Parent Meeting** – Church  
**THU** 7:00 pm **5 pm Choir Practice** – Church  
**SAT** 4:00 pm **5:00 p.m. Choir Practice** – Church

#### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

##### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., March 27 Very Rev. Stephen Murrin  
 Tues., March 28 Rev. Kevin D'Souza  
 Wed., March 29 Sisters of St. Joseph of Canada, C.S.J.  
 Thurs., March 30 Rev. Andrew Czarny  
 Fri., March 31 Rev. Msgr. Martin Vallely  
 Sat., April 1 Rev. Michael King

#### 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

**CONFIRMATION** – There is a Confirmation Parent Meeting on **Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 p.m. in the church. If you know of anyone attending a public school who wishes to be confirmed please let them know of this meeting.

**C.W.L. AROUND THE LENTEN CIRCLE** - All parishioners are invited to gather around the Lenten circle for small group discussions. We read and reflect on the scriptures, share our thoughts and experiences, and feed our body and soul as we prepare to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. Please join us for the last small group session on **Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** 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 contact Alice Soeder at [alice\\_soeder@hotmail.com](mailto:alice_soeder@hotmail.com) or 519-669-1859. We are working on the Altar Server Ministry.

The C.W.L. will be hosting a **SPRING AFTERNOON ELEGANT TEA**. Would you be able to help us? We are in need of trays on which to serve the sandwiches and desserts and also teapots. If you have a two-tiered or three-tiered dessert platter or china teapot that you can lend us for this special event we would appreciate it. Please contact the Parish Office by email at [stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com) or by telephone at 519-669-3387 if you are able to help us with this request for this special event.

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

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.

We will have a **FOOD DRIVE** to support our local Food Bank beginning March 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>. 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 6<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m.

**GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m.

**HOLY SATURDAY (Easter Vigil)**

Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 p.m.

**EASTER SUNDAY (Resurrection of the Lord)**

Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

(Almost) Everything About The Mass – **LENTEN WORKSHOP ON THE EUCHARIST** facilitated by Fr. Pawel Jamroz on **Thursday, March 30, 2023** at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Michael Parish Hall, 80 University Avenue, Waterloo. There will be small group discussion and presentation. The goal of this workshop is to grow in faith together and to give us a deeper understanding of the Mass. For more information contact the St. Michael Parish Office at 519-884-9311 or at parish@stmichaelw.ca.

The next set of groups/workshops presented by Woolwich Counselling Centre are below. Please see the bulletin board for more information about each individual group/workshop.:

- **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP, Adult Sessions**, no cost in-person sessions on **Thursdays, April 6, May 4 and June 1, 2023** from 1 – 2 p.m. .
- **PRACTICING POSITIVE THINKING AND GRATITUDE, Adult Workshop**, no cost, virtual workshop on **Monday, April 10, 2023** from 7 – 8 p.m.
- **CONNECT: PARENTING GROUP, in person group** on **Wednesdays, April 12 – June 14, 2023** from 6:30 – 8 p.m.
- **IMPORTANCE OF SELF-CARE FOR PARENTS, Parenting Workshop**, no cost, virtual workshop, on **Thursday, April 13, 2023** from 7- 8 p.m.  
Learn more and register by calling 519-669-8651 or by emailing info@woolwichcounselling.org or drop by at 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira for any of the above groups/workshops.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>** from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. If you cannot physically attend, would you devote an hour to praying? Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com or call 519-742-9025.

**MARYHILL PARK FISH FRY FUNDRAISER** is on **GOOD FRIDAY, April 7<sup>th</sup>** 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. Bar, 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 19<sup>th</sup>** 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.

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.

**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 or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

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|---|--------------------|
| <b>Offertory collection for March 18/19:</b>    | <b>\$2,965.00</b>  |
| <b>Weekly parish operating expenses:</b>        | <b>\$4,724.64</b>  |
| <b>Building &amp; Maintenance Fund Balance:</b> | <b>\$30,740.04</b> |

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