

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

March 6, 2022
First Sunday of Lent

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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 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
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. ✠

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 7TH

<p>Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross 7:05 pm +Don Elliott; Pam & Theresa & Families <i>We must show charity towards the sick, who are in greater need of help. Let us take them some small gift if they are poor, or, at least let us go and wait on them and comfort them. – St. Alphonsus Liguori</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, March 9, 9:00 am Intentions of Sylvester & Tena Moser & Family; Jim & Marilyn Moser & Family <i>It is to those who have the most need of us that we ought to show our love more especially. – St. Francis de Sales</i></p>
<p>Thursday, March 10, 12:05 pm Intentions of Danielle Pilon; Linda & Vince Spilek <i>Remember that the Christian life is one of action, not of speech and daydreams. Let there be few words and many deeds, and let them be done well. – St. Vincent Pallotti</i></p>
<p>Friday, March 11, 9:00 am +Bill Walter; Marcella & Judy Furlong 9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration <i>Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God if we have given what we could. – St. Gregory Nazianzen</i></p>
<p>Saturday, March 12, 5:00 pm +Daniel Furlong; Marcella Furlong & Family +Maurice Downey; Diane Dietrich +Vincent Snelling; Marie Snelling & Family</p>
<p>Sunday, March 13, 9:30 am – Second Sunday of Lent Daylight Saving Time Begins Our Parish Community</p>

READINGS FOR March 12/13

First Reading: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18
 Second Reading: Phil 3:17-4:1
 Gospel Reading: Lk 9:28b-36

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 6:30 pm **C.W.L. Executive Meeting** – Hall
 6:30 pm **Stations of the Cross** – Church
 7:35 pm **C.W.L. General Meeting** – Hall
WED 7:00 pm **9:30 am Choir Practice** – Church
 7:30 pm **Parent Confirmation Meeting** – Hall
THU 7:30 pm **Reconciliation Class Zoom 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 7	Rev. Patrick Ohl
Tues., March 8	Rev. Jerzy Tomon
Wed., March 9	Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny
Thurs., March 10	Rev. Francisco Sordo
Fri., March 11	Rev. David Perrin
Sat., March 12	Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma

FOODBANK NEEDS

Laundry Detergent and Dish Soap

MINISTRIES for March 12/13

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Judy Furlong
 9:30am Ken Gallipeau

Hospitality

5pm Geoff & Kieran Kelly
 9:30am John Bruder, Ed & Carol Kieswetter

Lector

5pm Lisa Denomme
 9:30am Ellen Siebel-Achenbach

Commentator

Patsy Pond
 Linda Bruder

Sign Ministry

Mar 7 Sandi Hutchinson

My Dear Parishioners,

Join us for the Stations of the Cross on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. during lent beginning this Tuesday, March 8th.

Please remember that next weekend is the Daylight Saving Time change. Turn your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night, March 12th.

If anyone needs the anointing of the sick please contact the Parish Office.

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

The **PARENT CONFIRMATION MEETING** is on **Wednesday, March 9th** at 7:30 p.m. in the church hall.

CONFESSIONS will be on **Saturdays beginning March 12th during lent** from 4:00 – 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

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 15th** 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. 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.

C.W.L. EXECUTIVE AND GENERAL MEETING - Tuesday, March 8th – Executive Meeting is at 6:30 p.m. in the hall, Mass at 7:05 p.m. followed by Installation of Officers and the General Meeting at 7:50 p.m. in the hall. We have a motion to pass at the General Meeting and need a quorum of 8 ladies to attend to vote on it. Please email our new Secretary Holly at h-094secretary@cwlhamilton.ca if you will be attending so we have a count of people coming. Thank you!

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING – Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2022 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

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 2nd to April 10th in downtown Guelph. This effort has saved lives, as women who have been considering abortion have seen the prayer vigils and decided to choose life. Please sign up to pray! Visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph or call Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311.

Due to the passing of recent legislation impacting the vigil (via Bill C-3), the location has temporarily been moved to the front steps (facing the road) of the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph. Regardless of the location, **40 Days for Life continues to be an ecumenical effort**. Please note that this location was the best space that we could think of on short notice, that is on private property and still very visible when witnessing to the public. If you have any questions about this new temporary location, please contact our office. For information contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or visit info@guelphforlife.com.

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY, BISHOP LOBSINGER – Join Auxiliary Bishop, Wayne Lobsinger, for *Evenings with His Excellency*, an

opportunity to learn more and ask questions about our Catholic Faith. You may attend online or in person at Canadian Martyrs Parish, Hamilton, on the 2nd Friday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, visit:

<https://www.canadianmartyrshamilton.com/upcoming/2021/9/10/evenings-with-his-excellency>.

MARRIAGE SUPPORT – Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

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 22nd** from 7-8:30 p.m. as we welcome Dr. Greg and Lisa Popcak, creators of CatholicHOM (CatholicHOM.com) a dynamic online community, directors of 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, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for February 26/27:	\$4,574.75
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$74,206.51
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