

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

May 14, 2017
Fifth Sunday
of Easter

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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
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
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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

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St. David Catholic Secondary School

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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 EASTER

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MAY 15TH

Tuesday, May 16, No Mass <i>God asks little, but he gives much. – St. John Chrysostom</i>
Wednesday, May 17, No Mass <i>No earthly pleasures, no kingdoms of this world can benefit me in any way. I prefer death in Christ Jesus to power over the farthest limits of the earth. He who died in place of us is the one object of my quest. He who rose for our sakes is my one desire. – St. Ignatius of Antioch</i>
Thursday, May 18, No Mass <i>Help me to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown. Give me the faith to leave old ways and break fresh ground with you. – Prayer to St. Brendan the Navigator</i>
Friday, May 19, No Mass 9:00 am – Noon Adoration <i>Consider all the past as nothing, and say, like David: Now I begin to love my God. – St. Francis de Sales</i>
Saturday, May 20, 5:00 pm +Cyril Stortz; Norm & Janet Freiburger +Ted Teahen; Knights of Columbus Council 8192
Sunday, May 21, Sixth Sunday of Easter 9:30 am Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR May 20/21

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
 Second Reading: 1 Pt 3:15-18
 Gospel Reading: Jn 14:15-21

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON Office Closed
TUE 7:35pm Confirmation Class - Library
WED 7:00pm 5 p.m. Choir Practice – Church
 7:00pm 9:30 a.m. Choir Practice – Seminar
THU 10:45am Quest Scripture Study – Library
 6:45pm Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting
 7:30pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:

Mon., May 15 Rev. Philip Reilly, C.R.
 Tues., May 16 Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.
 Wed., May 17 Immaculate Heart of Mary Mother of Christ
 Thurs., May 18 Rev. George Stortz
 Fri., May 19 Rev. Rafal Tomon
 Sat., May 20 Rev Ted Hughes

MINISTRIES for May 20/21

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kathy Ziegler, Steve & Patsy Pond
 9:30am Ray Denomme, Sharon Both, Lisa Denomme

Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Jane Goll, Marilyn Hurlburt, Bill Strauss
 9:30am Bill & Anne Hanley, Pat & Linus Ditner

Altar Servers

5pm Rachel Wittie, Alexis Zettler, Andrew Zettler
 9:30am Heike Elliott, Amber Elliott, Daniel Kelly, Jordyn Kelly

Lectors

5pm Colleen Weber
 9:30am Paul Shutsa
 Wally Malcolm

Commentator

Jim Goll
 Tom Fahey

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

May 21 Jane Goll

Sign Ministry

May 15 Kieran Kelly

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

May 17 Cheryl Dunn

FOODBANK NEEDS

Large Cans of Juice & Meal Helpers

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

Dear Parish Family,

This is to offer a sincere and heartfelt thank you for your sympathy and prayers extended for my family and myself over the days of our mother's passing. The love and support of so many has certainly made the grieving process much more manageable. Please keep us in your prayers as I will surely keep you in mine.

With love and respect,

Father Dave

Loving God,

as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children,

so you watch over your Church.

Bless these women,

that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers.

Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.

Grant that we, their sons and daughters,

may honor them always

with a spirit of profound respect.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The **GARDEN PARTY** will be held on **Friday, June 9th** and we need your help! Please choose a leaf from one of the trees in the Narthex for our penny tables and tombola. We are looking for new items priced between \$15 - \$25 (for both adult and child penny table). **Please deliver the items to the church before June 2nd.** Raffle tickets are also available for pickup after Masses or during Parish Office hours. Any questions please email teresagardenparty2013@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 519-669-3387.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NOMINATIONS FOR EXECUTIVE

– Members are asked to pick up an envelope in the narthex. You are asked to nominate for executive positions. Please read the information and return to the box in the narthex or the collection basket.

Mother's Day is just around the corner and we are once again participating in the **BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN IN SUPPORT OF MARILLAC PLACE**. Marillac Place relies heavily on donations from our community to keep its doors open. This weekend, May 13th/14th, baby bottles will be available for pick up after all Masses. Please support this important cause by filling it with your spare change and return it on Father's Day weekend, June 18th/19th. Thank you for your support.

Guelph & Area Right to Life needs volunteers. This May, help to plant a **GARDEN OF GRACE** for parents who have lost a child before birth. This place of remembrance, peace, and healing is on the property of the **Church of Our Lady** and volunteers are needed to help with the planting. Call 519-836-6311 or email facts@guelphforlife.com if you are able to help.

NATURE THERAPY HIKE will be on **Tuesday, May 16, 2017** from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Join Katlin Powers, a certified Nature Therapy Guide, for a walk through Sandy Hills Pinery. Spaces are limited. Contact Ann at aroberts@woolwich.ca or 1-877-969-0094 ext. 6027 to register.

TOGETHER IN CHRIST – Lutherans and Catholics commemorating the Reformation. To commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation this year, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada encourage the faithful to prayerfully reflect on the past 500 years; to offer thanksgiving to God for the progress made in our efforts toward reconciliation; and to pray for pardon and peace wherever our words or actions have fallen short of what Christ demands of us as Christians. Join us as we seek to be people of reconciliation striving toward Christian unity. An **ECUMENICAL STUDY AND REFLECTION** will take place on **May 17, 2017** with the topic "From Conflict to Communion" at Mount Zion Lutheran Church, 29 Westmount Road, Waterloo. For more information contact Mount Zion Lutheran Church, Waterloo at pmathai@mzic.ca.

Join us for an afternoon of cards, draws, prizes and a light lunch on **Thursday, May 18th** at Conestoga Place, 110 Manitou Drive, Kitchener. Doors open at 12 noon. Tickets are \$25. All proceeds go to **BIG SISTERS** to help the Little Sisters reach their full potential. Please call Shirley (519) 746-8373 for tickets.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD DAY OF REFLECTION will take place on **Saturday, June 3, 2017** from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Holy Family Parish, 1393 Cannon Street East, Hamilton. This day is intended for Ministers of the Word who have been proclaiming the Word of God during the Sunday Eucharist and other liturgical celebrations of the Christian community. You are invited to participate in this day of reflection to renew your mandate and refresh your understanding of the ministry. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to participate and Donna will register you for this day. Registration deadline is Friday, May 26, 2017.

The **LISTOWEL GARDEN PARTY & BEEF DINNER** will be on **Friday, June 2, 2017** at St. Joseph's Parish Centre, 1025 Wallace Avenue North, Listowel. The Beef Dinner is served 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. Prices are adults \$15 in advance by May 28th, \$17 at the door, 5-10 year olds \$7 and pre-schoolers are free. For tickets please call Gloria 519-291-3648 or Bev at 519-291-4400 ext. 2.

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION DAY OF REFLECTION will take place on **Saturday, June 10, 2017** from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, 715 Centre Road, P.O. Box 348, Waterdown. This day is intended for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who have been exercising this ministry of charity during the celebration of the Sunday Eucharist, or with the sick and elderly in hospitals or homes. You are invited to participate in this day of reflection to renew your mandate and refresh your understanding of the ministry. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to participate and Donna will register you for this day. Registration deadline is Friday, June 2, 2017.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON 2017 YOUTH RALLY – Registration is now open! Youth in grades 7 to 12 are invited to participate in the Youth Rally taking place at C.Y.O. Camp Brebeuf, Rockwood on **Saturday, June 3, 2017**. The day will focus on our theme "All are Welcome". The day will consist of a keynote address, workshops, celebration of the Eucharist, fellowship and fun! Registration is \$20 per person. Please visit <http://hamiltondiocese.com/youthrally/> for more details.

VOCATION SEEDS – "The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these..." Are you willing to do the work of the Lord as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email mking@hamiltondiocese.com.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? On **Sunday, June 25, 2017**, at 1:30 p.m., Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. (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 or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - Spring brings new joy and new opportunity as the weather warms and we spend more time outdoors. It is a great chance to draw our children's attention to the greening grass, flowers sprouting from the ground and leaves opening on the trees. Nature has a cycle and so too does life - remind your children of the creative power of God in making all this happen year after year. Help them to see our role in nature and how our Catholic faith calls us to respect, care for, love and nurture all of God's created gifts in this world, both human and those in nature. (Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office.)

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