

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

May 19, 2024
Pentecost Sunday

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Office Hours:
Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.,
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

Colleen Jack Debbie Yutzi
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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
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. ✠

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MAY 20TH

Tuesday, May 21, 6:30 pm C.W.L. Rosary Walk 7:05 pm +Rita Klein; St. Teresa of Avila C.W.L. +Tim Garton; Pat Garton <i>Let us learn to cast our hearts into God. – St. Bernard of Clairvaux</i>
Wednesday, May 22, 8:00 am – Maryhill <i>Our prayer is public and common. When we pray, we pray not for one, but for the whole people, because we the whole people are one. – St. Cyprian of Carthage</i>
Thursday, May 23, 12:05 pm +Maurice Downey; Skip & Grace Maher +Kate Sadlon; Ray & Trudy Denomme <i>Imagine the vanity of thinking that our enemy can do you more damage than your enmity. – St. Augustine</i>
Friday, May 24, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>You have shown me a spark of your pure and simple love, and it has kindled in my heart a flame that devours me. – St. Catherine of Genoa</i>
Saturday, May 25, 5:00 pm +Anna Marie Hornburg; Marianne Kieswetter +Beverly Jaeger; Lisa Denomme
Sunday, May 26, Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity 9:00 am Our Parish Community After Mass Coffee Sunday 11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR May 25/26

First Reading: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40
Second Reading: Rom 8:14-17
Gospel Reading: Mt 28:16-20

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., May 20 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Tues., May 21 Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.
Wed., May 22 Congregation of the Resurrection, C.R.
Thurs., May 23 Rev. Adam Voisin
Fri., May 24 Rev. Jeffery Oehring
Sat., May 25 Rev. Francesco Cucchi

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry – Library
WED 6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Practice – Church

MINISTRIES for May 25/26

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Patsy & Steve Pond
9am Ron Stemmler, Iris Miltenburg, Rick Weishar

Hospitality

5pm Geoff & Kieran Kelly
9am Adrian Miltenburg, Pat & Linus Ditner

Lector

5pm Lisa Denomme
9am Wally Malcolm

Commentator

Kevin Dupuis
Joan Coutu

Altar Servers

9am Malaise, Allyson, Hannah

Children's Liturgy

May 26 Sandi Hutchinson, Emily Beynon

Sign Ministry

May 21 Linda Bruder

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For the formation of religious and seminarians – We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Ham, Turkey and Chicken, Sidekicks and Meal Helper.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today is the Feast of Pentecost. Christians commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, gathered around the Mother of the Lord (Acts Chapter 2).

Thank you to all those who attended the tea and those who organized, prepared and volunteered to help. It was an enjoyable opportunity to be together as family and friends. Catholic Women's League, a job well done.

You are invited to celebrate with me my 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood beginning with Mass on Sunday, June 9th at 3 p.m. followed by a reception from 4 – 5 p.m. All welcome.

Fr. Peter

GARDEN PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS – For this year's Garden Party to be held on Friday, September 13, 2024 we are in need of prizes with a value of at least \$100 or more. Prize donations may be dropped off at the church office by calling the church office at 519-669-3387 or emailing stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com to **commit to supplying a prize**. The **deadline** to record all prizes is **Wednesday, May 29, 2024**. Thank you for your support.

ROSARY WALK – May is the month of Mary and in honour of Our Mother the St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Women's League is leading a special praying of the Rosary on **Tuesday, May 21st at 6:30 p.m., outside the church at the Rosary Path**. In May we are encouraged to turn to Mary in a special way, ask her to intercede with God for our greatest needs and thank her for saying Yes to God. Our communal praying of the Rosary on May 21st is a way to join those prayers together. All are welcome, join us!

For those who have been asking, Father Peter has asked if you wish to give a gift for his anniversary you may or you can make a donation in Fr. Peter's name. Please consider **Catholic Missions in Canada or Hospice Waterloo Region**.

VOLUNTEERS FOR GARDENING – Do you enjoy gardening? Would you have one day a week for about 4 hours on a Thursday morning to help with gardening at St. Teresa? We would appreciate your help. If you can't make it every week perhaps every second week would even work. We would love to have you join us. If you are interested in joining our Gardening Workers, call 519-669-3387 or email the Parish Office at stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com.

MAY 19, 2024

St. Teresa C.W.L. is pleased to announce a **BURSARY** of \$500.00 for a high school parishioner attending university or college in September. Please pick up an envelope with the application requirements at the back of the church.

Join us for **HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS** every Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **May 24th** the trucks will be at **Elmira Pentecostal Assembly**. Proceeds support our group of participating churches. Check out www.facebook.com/HeavenlyEatsFoodTrucks each week to see which church and what trucks are there.

ST. TERESA BINGO will be on **Thursday, May 23rd** at the Lion's Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. Please mention St. Teresa of Avila in order to benefit the school. Good luck!

Join us as we support **MARILLAC PLACE'S BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN** running from Mother's Day (**May 12th**) to Father's Day (**June 16th**)! These six weeks give us a special opportunity to come together and make a tangible difference in the lives of young mothers and their children in our community. By filling baby bottles with your spare change and donations, you provide vital support to Marillac Place's programs, offering housing, education, counselling, and more to those in need. You can donate using the baby bottles or mail a cheque directly to Marillac Place at 109 Young Street, Kitchener, ON N2H 4Z2. For more information on Marillac Place, please call (519) 571-0722 ext. 2, or email admin@marillacplace.ca or visit the website at www.marillacplace.ca.

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 25th** from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. at Elmira District Secondary School (EDSS) for **TOGETHER FOR MENTAL HEALTH** with Hayley Wickenheiser, Olympic Gold Medalist and Corey Hirsch, former NHL Goalie. This is a free community event shining the spotlight on Mental Health in Woolwich and Wellesley Townships. There will be a presentation with questions and answers, an opportunity to meet and engage with celebrities, activities, games and a silent auction.

The **47TH ANNUAL KW RIGHT TO LIFE WALK FOR LIFE** is on **Saturday, May 25, 2024**. Gather at 9:30 a.m. with start time at 10 a.m. at the Right to Life Office at 215 Lancaster St. W., Kitchener. There is street parking. Follow along Lancaster St. W. to Tim Horton's for a rest. Return to the start point for lunch, prizes, draws and a social gathering. Every \$50 pledged receives a chance for a \$100 Gift Certificate. Call 519-746-5433 for pledge forms and walk information or email kwrtl@golden.net.

The **SERRA CLUB OF KITCHENER-WATERLOO** is hosting a meeting on **Wednesday, May 29th** at St. Teresa of Avila Church, 44 Leonard Street, Kitchener to revitalize and increase membership. This event will include prayer beginning at 6:30 p.m. and Mass at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments and a speakers' panel from Serra Canada Council will inform us about what the Serra Club does around the world and in our local communities. For more information contact Bill Zister at 519-578-2019 or ma_zister@hotmail.com.

WOOLWICH COMMUNITY SERVICES CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF SERVICE IN 2024! Woolwich Community Services' 50th Anniversary Celebration will be held on **June 8th, 2024** from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Lions Hall in Elmira. This will be a community party and we hope that you will join us to celebrate our 50 years of service in the community. Follow us on social media @woolwichcommunityservices.

Join us on a **GUELPH WALKING PILGRIMAGE** from **August 3-10, 2024**, Loyola House, Guelph to Martyrs' Shrine, Midland. Join us, where you will experience fun, spiritual nourishment, exercise, beautiful scenic views, good food and fellowship. Those who walk the Guelph-to-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled eight days. Pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Join us, as we cast off routine for eight days and acquiesce to a community of higher purpose. Participate for one week, a weekend or the full 8 days! Cost is \$400 for 8 days or \$75 per day. We carry your gear, provide three meals and snacks daily, and cover entry and camping fees. You bring your tent, chair and personal gear/clothing in a duffle bag. To register or for more information go to www.ignatiusguelph.ca (under programs – Guelph Waling Pilgrimage). Registration deadline is June 20, 2024.

SANCTUARY OUTREACH PREGNANCY SUPPORT PROGRAM – Unexpected pregnancy? We're here to support you. Call or text our 24/7 helpline: 519-803-0313. Our services include: free pregnancy testing, 1-on-1 support and mentorship, referrals to resources. Walk-ins are welcome on **Thursdays** from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at 26 Norfolk Street, Guelph. You can also email info@sanctuaryoutreach.com or check out sanctuaryoutreach.com.

RESURRECTION VOCATION MINUTE – Holy Spirit, Spirit of Truth, guide my heart as I seek my vocation. Illuminate my path, grant me clarity, and fill me with courage. Help me recognize and use my gifts in service to God's will. Lead me to the path You have prepared and give me the faith to follow. Amen.

Fr. Pawel Szymanowski CR; Join us for the *Come and See* discernment day on May 25th!

VOCATION SEEDS – The confused and fear-filled apostles were totally changed by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as they became powerful and dynamic proclaimers of their faith in Jesus Christ. In today's Church God calls priests, religious and deacons to serve Him and to serve others especially by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. If you feel God may be calling you to this ministry, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

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