

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

May 5, 2024
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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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. ✠

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MAY 6TH

Tuesday, May 7, 7:05 pm +Waldemara Kalas; Deirdre Ward Intentions of Simpson & Jardine Families; The Cassidy's & Grosz's <i>Words are truly the image of the soul. – St. Basil</i>
Wednesday, May 8, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>We live in Christ and Christ lives in us. Christ gives Christians a certain kinship with himself. – St. Cyril of Alexandria</i>
Thursday, May 9, 12:05 pm +Helen Rennie; Mike & Sharon Noel +Liz Bezaire; Jerry & Joanne Berlette <i>There is no need for us to go abroad on account of the kingdom of heaven, nor to cross the sea for virtue. For the Lord has told us before, the kingdom of God is within you. – St. Anthony</i>
Friday, May 10, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>A heart enamoured by God is unconquerable since God is its strength. – St. Catherine of Genoa</i>
Saturday, May 11, 5:00 pm +Vincent & Marie Kraemer; Nancy Kamberidis +Jeffrey Meyer; The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region
Sunday, May 12, Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill

Hospitality

5pm Sue & Greg Goetz
 9am John Bruder, Sharon & Mike Noel

Lector

5pm Lisa Denomme
 9am Leona Weishar

Commentator

Patsy Pond
 Iris Miltenburg

Children's Liturgy

May 12 Anna Jakeman, Ken Gallipeau

Sign Ministry

May 6 Kieran Kelly

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

This afternoon students will be receiving their First Holy Communion. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Let us pray for our Catholic educators in our Catholic School Communities as we begin Catholic Education Week today.

Fr. Peter

READINGS FOR May 11/12

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11
 Second Reading: Eph 1:17-23
 Gospel Reading: Mk 16:15-20

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., May 6 St. Francois de Laval, Patron of the Bishops of Canada
 Tues., May 7 Very Rev. David Wynen
 Wed., May 8 Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Zagreb, S.O.C.
 Thurs., May 9 Rev. Mark Morley
 Fri., May 10 Very Rev. Adrian Lee
 Sat., May 11 Rev. Fadi Rizk

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 9:00 a.m. – 4 p.m. **C.W.L. Tea Bake Day** – Hall
 7:35 p.m. **Parish Pastoral Council Mtg** – Library
WED 9:00 a.m. – 4 p.m. **C.W.L. Tea Bake Day** – Hall
 6:00 p.m. **Youth Choir Practice** – Church
 7:00 p.m. **Confirmation Practice** – Maryhill
THU 3:15 p.m. **Altar Server Meeting** – Church
 7:00 p.m. **Finance Meeting** – Library
FRI **Hall Set-up for C.W.L. Tea**
SAT 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **C.W.L. Tea** – Hall

MINISTRIES for May 11/12

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kathy Ziegler, Tim Baillargeon
 9am Rick Weishar, Sandi Hutchinson, Ken Gallipeau

Today's special collection for **THE POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS** provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. One-third of the funds collected is for what is traditionally known as Peter's Pence: donations used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need throughout the world, as well as for the support of the Holy See and its activities. Two-thirds of the Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church.

The Knights of Columbus, Council 8192 "**ROSE FOR LIFE**" **CAMPAIGN** is on Mother's Day weekend, **May 11th at the 5 p.m. Mass and May 12th at the 9 a.m. Mass.** We offer Lapel Roses to continue raising awareness of both abortions and euthanasia. Please pick up a "Rose Lapel" and make a donation to support pro-life organizations.

St. Teresa's 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 an **ELEGANT AFTERNOON TEA** on **Saturday, May 11th** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. Come and enjoy the ritual of an authentic English Afternoon Tea. There are two sittings: 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per adult, \$15 per Child 6 – 12 years.

MAY 5, 2024

For tickets please contact the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 or email stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com. There will be handcrafted scones with jam and devon cream, delicately filled sandwiches, delicious mini desserts and a choice of traditional teas. If gluten free is needed please request this when you purchase your ticket.

Join us for **HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS** every Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **May 10th** the trucks will be at **Gale Presbyterian Church**. Proceeds support our group of participating churches. Check out www.facebook.com/HeavenlyEatsFoodTrucks each week to see which church and what trucks are there.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK (MAY 5-10, 2024)

Catholic Education Week 2024 begins on Sunday, May 5, 2024. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to learn about the various celebrations that are happening in your children's school, and are welcome to attend, if possible.

This year's Catholic Education Week theme is, "*We are called to love*", and is grounded in our Holy Scriptures: "*If we love one another, God lives in us.*" (1 John 4:12)

With joyful anticipation of the Jubilee Year of 2025, we are inspired by Pope Francis announcing the theme of "Pilgrims of Hope." With open hearts of love, we can continue to "fan the flame of hope" for a bright future.

TORONTO MARCH FOR LIFE – Join us on **Saturday, May 11, 2024**. The KW Right to Life will travel to the March for Life at Toronto Queen's Park. A bus will depart at 8 a.m. from Fairview Park Mall, the far-right parking lot facing Walmart. The gathering will be at 10 a.m., rally and speeches at 10:30 a.m. and march through downtown Toronto at 12 p.m. with closing remarks at 1:30 p.m. and the departure at 3 p.m. Reserve your bus seat(s) early as it will fill up fast. Call 519-746-5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca. Bus seat cost is \$25. Join us in Canada's largest city, Toronto for the March for Life 2024.

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. Let's embrace the spirit of giving and compassion as we uplift and empower these families towards brighter futures. 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.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Waterloo invites you for lunch in honour of **MOTHER'S DAY**, on **Sunday, May 12th** at 12:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Bring your whole family.

Tickets are limited. For more information and to purchase tickets please call Patrycja at 519-886-0342 ext. 3 or email lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com. Ticket price is \$20 each which includes a hot lunch served buffet style. The menu is grilled chicken breast, scalloped potatoes, veggies, caesar and greek salad with cake, coffee, and tea. There are door prizes, 50/50 and raffle tickets will be sold.

COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE! Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See our website at loyolahouse.com (under "Events") for more information on these upcoming retreats:

Food Retreat: Fresh Again...a One-Day Retreat - May 15
Praying with the Sense: The Power of Imagination - May 17

Birds Weekend Retreat - May 17-19

Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment - June 7-9

Directed Prayer Weekend - June 7-9

Introduction to the Enneagram - June 22

Trees: Weekend Retreat - June 28-30

Register online at loyolahouse.com or by calling 519-824-1250 ext. 266 or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca.

THE MAJOR RELIQUARY OF ST. ANDRE BESSETTE

(Brother Andre of Montreal Oratory) will visit the Diocese of Hamilton **May 17-24, 2024**. Beginning at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, the relics of Brother Andre will then visit St. Thomas Parish, Waterdown, St Raphael Parish, Burlington, St. Basil Parish, Brantford, the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, St. Anthony Daniel Parish, Kitchener, and Holy Family Parish, Hanover. See the Diocesan Website for dates and times. This is a blessed opportunity to invoke the intercession of one of our Canadian-born Saints! We are grateful to the Holy Cross Community at St. Joseph's Oratory for this opportunity!

RESURRECTION VOCATION MINUTE – "You did not choose me, but I chose you". A true vocation is not merely a personal choice or career path – it is an invitation from God. It is a deep realization that God has appointed us to "go and bear fruit, fruit that will last". If you're discerning whether God is calling you to a religious life, why not join us for a Come and See Day? Fr. Pawel Szymanowski CR; www.resurrectionists.ca/vocations/come-see

VOCATION SEEDS – The greatest love story that ever happened: God's continuing love for His people. All God asks is "Love one another as I have loved you". The world really needs to see people who are trying to love others with all their hearts. Priests, religious and deacons can be excellent examples of this love. If you are willing to answer God's call, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

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