St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

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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

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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.



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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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MAY 8TH

Tuesday, May 9, 7:05 pm

+Frank Koebel; Pam & Chris Cassidy & Family

+Hilda Cassel; Marcella & Judy Furlong

All the goods of this world cannot content the heart of the human person, who has been created to love God, and can find no peace out of God. – St. Alphonsus Liguori

Wednesday, May 10, 9:00 am - Maryhill

A blessed life may be defined as consisting simply and solely in the possession of goodness and truth. – St. Ambrose

Thursday, May 11, 12:05 pm

+Rita Lorbetski; Ed & Carol Kieswetter

+Edna Zinger; Maurice Downey

A good heart, as well as a soul inflamed with charity, can do nothing but good and holy works. – St. Angela Merici

Friday, May 12, 9:00 am - Maryhill

Greed is not restricted to money, but also includes a desire for honours and places of distinction. The more a greedy person possesses, the more do they strive to ascend. And so it happens that when a greedy, ambitious person falls, the fall is disastrous. – St. Anthony of Padua

Saturday, May 13, 5:00 pm

+Vincent & Marie Kraemer; Nancy Kamberidis **Intentions of John DeWildt (95th Birthday)**; The Whole Family

Sunday, May 14, Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR May 13/14

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

IUE	7:30 pm	Confirmation Session – Hall	
	7:35 pm	R.C.I.A. Leaders Meeting - Library	

THU 9:00 am **Baking for Tea** – Hall

7:00 pm Knights General Mtg – Ron Stemmler's

FRI 9:00 am Baking for Tea – Hall

SAT 1:30 & 3:00 pm Elegant Afternoon Tea – Hall

4:00 pm 5 pm Choir Practice - Church

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., May 8	Rev. David Lewis
Tues., May 9	Rev. Ron Cote

Wed., May 10 Congregation of the Resurrection, C.R.

Thurs., May 11 Rev. Michael Bennett Fri., May 12 Rev. Ralph Diodati Sat., May 13 Rev. Robert Dunn

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For church movements and groups – We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Salmon, Peanut Butter and Condiments

MINISTRIES for May 13/14

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Phil Milan 9am Sandi Hutchinson

Hospitality

5pm Greg & Sue Goetz

9am Ray Denomme, Carol & Ed Kieswetter

Lector Commentator
5pm Armand Bertin Lisa Denomme
9am Leona Weishar Wally Malcolm

Children's Liturgy

May 14 Anna Jakeman, Ken Gallipeau

Sign Ministry

May 8 Jim McInnis

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

On May 12th Canada Health Day is celebrated in health care facilities and community services across the country. This day reminds us that health and healing are essential aspects of our baptismal vocation. We are called to take responsibility for our personal health: to prevent illness and to seek a healthy lifestyle. Good health concerns the physical, emotional, social and spiritual health of our communities, respect for God's creatures and the nurturing of the whole earth.

I believe health care is in a crisis mode. Let us continue to pray for all Health Care Workers and their institutions.

I would like to thank all who helped make our Parish's First Communion this past weekend beautiful for our children and families. Let us continue to pray for our young boys and girls to be enriched by Jesus and the Eucharist.

Rishi Persaud will be a Seminarian staying with us for his summer placement. Let us welcome him as he begins his time here at St. Teresa's.

Fr. Peter

Maryhill Heritage Park would like to **SINCERELY THANK** all the Elmira and area people for attending our Annual Good Friday Fish Fry. We very much appreciate the support, with all the funds going toward our local park improvements. There is no September Fish Fry. Our next event will be Good Friday, March 29, 2024.

There is **NO C.W.L. MEETING IN MAY** as we are preparing for our Afternoon Elegant Tea! Hope you all have your tickets! Our June meeting has been moved to **Monday**, **June 5**th and will be an outing to the Carmelites in St Agatha! We will be having **Mass at 4:30 p.m.** with Fr. Peter and dinner to follow at Swiss Chalet on Ira Needles Blvd. Please email **h094.cwlsecretary@gmail.com** (or call Barb at 519-497-3162) if you will be attending the Mass and dinner or if you need a ride.

Join us for an **ELEGANT AFTERNOON TEA** on **Saturday, May 13**th 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: 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person. 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. Tickets are on sale after Masses.

If you are able to lend us a china teapot for our **ELEGANT AFTERNOON TEA** please contact the Parish Office by email at stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com or by telephone at 519-669-3387.

The Knights of Columbus "ROSES FOR LIFE" CAMPAIGN is on Saturday, May 13th at the 5 p.m. Mass and Sunday, May 14th at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The new re-designed Rose Lapel has a red and white rose. The red rose signifies our opposition to abortion while the white rose is a symbol opposing euthanasia. Please pick up a "Rose Lapel" and make a donation to support pro-life organizations.

GARDEN PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS – For this year's Garden Party to be held on Friday, September 15, 2023, 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 17, 2023. 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 23 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 23rd, using our outdoor Rosary Path, is a way to join those prayers together. All are welcome, please join us!

VOLUNTEERS FOR GARDENING – Do you enjoy gardening? Would you have one day a week for about 4 hours on a Wednesday or Thursday morning to help with gardening at St. Teresa's? 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, please call 519-669-3387or email the Parish Office at stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com.

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

- MINDFULLNESS LUNCH BREAK, adult virtual group, on Tuesdays, May 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2023 from 12:30 1 p.m. There is a \$50 fee. Further subsidies are available if needed.
- TALKING MENTAL HEALTH WITH OUR KIDS, Parenting Workshop, no cost, virtual workshop on Thursday, May 11, 2023 from 7 – 8 p.m.

• **GLAD TO BE ME** for ages 4 – 7, no cost, in-person workshop on **Thursday, May 25, 2023** from 4 – 5 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.

Join us for **HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS** every Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **May 12**th the trucks will be at **Elmira Mennonite 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.

BUS TO MARCH FOR LIFE TORONTO – Friday, May 12, 2023 - KW Right to Life will travel by bus to Toronto to participate in the March for Life. The bus leaves the Walmart Parking Lot at Fairway Park Mall at exactly 10:30 a.m. on May 12th and returns to Kitchener by 6 p.m. Reserve your seat or sponsor a seat for someone who would like to attend. Cost is \$30 and the bus has a washroom. Students ride free. Reserve a bus seat now by calling 519-746-5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca.

Calling all lady card players. Mark you calendars for **Wednesday, May 17**th from 12 noon until 4 p.m. Get a group together and join us at the Polish Legion, 601 Wellington St. N., Kitchener. Tickets are \$25. Enjoy an **AFTERNOON OF CARDS**, draws and lots of prizes including a light lunch and refreshments. **ALL** proceeds go to support our local youth. For more info please contact Diane at 519-648-2432 or dstrickler@continuum.org.

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 and programs:

Birds Weekend Retreat - May 19-21
Directed Prayer Weekend - June 9-11
Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment - June 9-11
Teilhard de Chardin 8-Day Retreat - June 15-23
8-Day Directed Silent Retreat - June 15-23; July 19-27, August 1-9.

Register online at <u>loyolahouse.com</u> or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or 519- 824-1250 ext. 266.

RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE — Jesus' claim is an all-encompassing one, yet not an "exclusive" one - because Jesus isolates no one, and chooses to remain in relationship with everyone — even with those who reject him. It can be hard for us to understand how this can be, and yet this is probably one of the most attractive things about Jesus. Our vocation then, like our faith, will only be truly Christian if it is lived out this same way. It is in the following of Jesus that we learn how to do this, because he himself is the way. Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for April 29/30: \$3,925.70
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$31,972.18
Thank you!



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