

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

**Office Administration:** Donna Vollmer

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**Office Hours:**

Monday to Thursday 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  
Leona Weishar

#### Building & Finance Committee

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith  
Jason Adams Maria Diemert  
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#### Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

#### Knights of Columbus

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#### Vocations

Contact [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca) or  
[www.resurrectionist.net](http://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](http://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 9<sup>TH</sup>

**Tuesday, May 11, No Mass**

*If one finds it very hard to forgive injuries, let them look at a crucifix and think that Christ has shed all his blood for each of us, and not only forgave his enemies, but prayed to the eternal Father to forgive them also. – St. Philip Neri*

**Wednesday, May 12, No Mass**

*Kindness is the natural fruit of the goodness of the heart. – St. Katharine Drexel*

**Thursday, May 13, No Mass**

*In her motherly concern the Blessed Virgin came here to Fatima.... It is a mother's sorrow that compels her to speak; the destiny of her children is at stake. For this reason, she asks the little shepherds: "Pray, pray much and make sacrifices for sinners." – St. John Paul II*

**Friday, May 14, No Mass**

*The fruit of love is service, which is compassion in action. – St. Teresa of Calcutta*

**Saturday, May 15, No Mass****Sunday, May 16 - TELEVISED MASS ON YOUTUBE ON OUR HOME PAGE**

**Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**

**READINGS FOR May 16/17**

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 10 Rev. Allison Mahoney, C.S.C.  
Tues., May 11 Rev. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.  
Wed., May 12 Congregation of the Resurrection, C.R.  
Thurs., May 13 Rev. Msgr. Earl Talbot  
Fri., May 14 Rev. Edwin Lapinski, C.R.  
Sat., May 15 Very Rev. Tim Uniack, C.R.

**FOODBANK NEEDS**

Canned Fruit, Flour and Canola/Vegetable Oil

**LIVING ROSARY INTENTION**

**The World of Finance** - Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

**At this time the chapel, church, and office are closed. Please check for updates at [stteresaelmira.ca](http://stteresaelmira.ca) and on the Hamilton Diocesan website.** On the main home page you will see the link where you can click on the YouTube arrow and see weekly reflections on Wednesdays with Fr. Peter Meyer and see/participate in the Mass each Sunday.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers. We pray that God will give you the graces that you most need this day and that he will guide you in your role as a mother.

We pray for nurses in their ministry of service during this National Nurses' Week especially during this pandemic time.

Once Masses resume a Finance Report will be presented to the Parish at all Masses.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the gardens. If you would like to be a part of this team please contact the Parish Office by email at [StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com](mailto:StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com) or by telephone at 519-669-3387.

Any questions or concerns you have please call the Parish Office. The telephone is checked regularly every day. Mail is also checked each day.

Please be assured of my continued prayers for you and for your families.

**Father Peter**

**A PRAYER IN GRATITUDE FOR OUR MOTHERS**

Good and Gentle God,

We pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women of theory who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings.

Give them the strength to love and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly.

Give them the faithful support of husband, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children.

Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.

- Author Unknown

**HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS will be at St Teresa's & Elmira Pentecostal Assembly every Friday from 4:30 pm - 8:00 pm!**

There will be two trucks every week at both churches! See the Heavenly Eats Facebook page for a list of trucks at each church. This will be for take-out only and social distancing practised for placing and picking up orders. Please wear your mask. Remember, it's not fast food, it's made to order. There may be lineups - please be patient, it's worth the wait! Be sure to pop by for some tasty take-out, a fundraiser for 5 local churches!

The Knights of Columbus are offering **FREE ON LINE MEMBERSHIP until June 30, 2021** in honour of the beatification of Father McGivney. Go to <https://www.KofC.org/joinus>. Use the promo code MCGIVNEY2020.

MAY 9, 2021

### WEDNESDAY EVENING ROSARY AND MOVIE

Join us every Wednesday for the Rosary and a movie via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. The series 'The Chosen' has been mentioned and is free and running on YouTube. Season one is complete and Season two has just begun. There will be the Rosary Zoom Meeting and then the show 'The Chosen' series, after the Rosary is finished. This will add another 40 minutes to the zoom meeting. We understand that it may not be for everyone, in which case please feel free to log off at that time. Anyone who would like to stay and watch can enjoy the life of Jesus. Email Deacon Basil at [bmarkides@rogers.com](mailto:bmarkides@rogers.com) for the Zoom link if you wish to take part in the rosary and movie.

Mother's Day is here and St. Teresa of Avila is proud to participate in the **BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN** in support of Marillac Place. Marillac Place relies heavily on the donations from our community to support mother-led families in need of assistance. Due to ongoing social distancing restrictions, we will not be delivering baby bottles this year. Please provide your support through our virtual campaign by donating online or sending a cheque directly to Marillac Place. When you donate online, you have the option to send an e-card to someone special on Mother's Day. You can donate online at [www.marillacplace.ca/donate/](http://www.marillacplace.ca/donate/). Thank you so much for your support. All proceeds from the campaign will directly support the operations of Marillac Place to help make an immediate impact on residents.

**The NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE** is on **Thursday, May 13, 2021**. The theme for this year's March for Life is 'You are not alone'. Each year, it is a great encouragement to see thousands of young people marching for life, to see people of many faith backgrounds and cultures, and to hear from the pro-life MPs who share words of encouragement. This year, Guelph & Area Right to Life will not be organizing a day trip to the March for Life. The March for Life will also be hosting a virtual March, as well as many other virtual events during the March for Life week. For more information, visit [marchforlife.ca](http://marchforlife.ca). See the events below:

- Life on Film: Movie Nights, May 9 -11 (online)
- Candlelight Vigil, May 12 (in-person & online)
- National Mass for Life, May 13 (online)
- March for Life & Rally, May 13 (in-person & online)
- Youth Conference, May 14 (online)

The next Reel Justice Film Festival, **END OF IMMIGRATION**, is showing on **Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. A shocking look at the life of temporary foreign workers. To join the online screening R.S.V.P. in advance at <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/contact-us/>.

The **42<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL KW RIGHT TO LIFE WALK FOR LIFE** is on **Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**. There will be an Independent Walk Option. You can walk on your own or not. Details to follow. Walk from a designated place which is to be announced. Prizes. Draws. Every \$50 pledged receives a chance for a \$100 Gift Certificate. Call KW Right to Life at 519-746-5433 for more information. Income tax receipts are issued at Year End for donations \$20 and over.

**LEARNING TO FORGIVE VIRTUAL WORKSHOP** presented by Anna Racine on **Saturday, May 29, 2021** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This workshop will be held via Zoom. Cost is \$40. Register at [annaracine.org@gmail.com](mailto:annaracine.org@gmail.com) or call 905-351-8367. Forgiveness: What is it and how do you do it? This workshop identifies the stumbling blocks to forgiveness and provides practical methods to work through the anger, blame and resentment. Forgiveness is about letting go of the past, and understanding it in order to move on. Forgiveness is one of the greatest gifts you can give yourself.

**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, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

**FUNDRAISING FOR PRO-LIFE BUS ADS** – Thank you to everyone who has donated to the bus ad fundraising campaign so far! In lieu of the annual change drive, The Guelph & Area Right to Life has been asking for one-time and monthly donations to support these ads. So far, \$6,592 has been raised. To keep pro-life ads running on 7 Guelph Transit buses, the goal is to raise a total of \$11,180. This is a big project, but we know that we have to think big in order to really make change. We envision a community where life is valued from the very beginning. Sharing the message with thousands of local people through bus ads is a great step towards that, and we invite you to be a part of it. If you are currently able to, would you consider supporting these ads? Contact the Guelph & Area Right to Life Office for more details by calling 519-836-6311.

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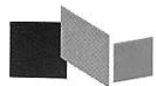
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