

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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Office Administration: Donna Vollmer

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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 (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
Dan Lauzon

Building & Finance Committee

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
Maria Diemert Rick Weishar
Sebastian Siebel-Achenbach

Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

Knights of Columbus

Frank McGuire

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.

November 21 2021

Solemnity of
Christ the King

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. ✠

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

MASSES FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22ND

Tuesday, November 23, 6:00 pm

+Gertrude Scherrer; The Palach Family

Let us throw ourselves into the ocean of God's goodness, where every failing will be cancelled and anxiety turned into love. – St. Paul of the Cross

Wednesday, November 24, 9:00 am

+Ron Eagle; Barb Kelly

O my God, teach me to be generous, to serve you as you deserve to be served, to give without counting the cost, to fight without fear of being wounded, to work without seeking rest, and to spend myself without expecting any reward but the knowledge that I am doing your holy will. – St. Ignatius of Loyola

Thursday, November 25, 12:05 pm

+Pat MacInnis; Danielle Pilon

We must practise modesty, not only in our looks, but also in our dress, our walk, our conversation and all similar actions. – St. Alphonsus Liguori

Friday, November 26,

9:00 am +Lucy Bertin; Jean Trapp

9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration

By the anxieties and worries of this life, Satan tries to dull a person's heart and make a dwelling for himself there. – St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday, November 27, 5:00 pm

+David Martin; Carol & Ed Kieswetter

+Hank Willms; Marie Hanley-Willms

Sunday, November 28, First Sunday of Advent

9:30 am Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR November 27/28

First Reading: Jer 33:14-16

Second Reading: 1 Thes 3:12-4:2

Gospel Reading: Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 7:00 pm 9:30 am Choir Practice – Church

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

People Who Suffer from Depression - We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Laundry Detergent, Toothpaste and
Men & Women's Deodorant

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., November 22	Rev. Piotr Jurzyk
Tues., November 23	Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
Wed., November 24	Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ
Thurs., November 25	Rev. Arpee Urquico
Fri., November 26	Rev. Pawel Jamroz
Sat., November 27	Rev. David Avila

MINISTRIES for November 27/28

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kieran Kelly
9:30am Peter Antonello

Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt, Debbie Yutzi
9:30am John Bruder, Rick & Leona Weishar

Lector

5pm Armand Bertin
9:30am Maria Diemert

Commentator

Marianne Kieswetter
Linda Bruder

Sign Ministry

Nov 22 Ray Denomme

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The Synod Consultation Questionnaire has now been delayed. The information that needs to be submitted is now not due until March 2022. Watch for more information in the new year.

Thank you to all those who helped and partook in the Knight of Columbus Fish Fry Dinner.

Join us in the St. Teresa's Take-out Turkey Dinner on Sunday, December 5th. We can enjoy this dinner from our homes while supporting a local business. See the information below on how to order your turkey dinner.

Be assured of my continued support and prayer.

Father Peter

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Nathan James Benbow**, son of Andrew and Michelle. *We pray that God will help him to grow in holiness and wisdom.*

THANK YOU for your generous donations to Woolwich Community Services Food Bank. Your donations and your ongoing support is greatly appreciated. Thank you for caring.

Lisa, Woolwich Community Services

The Knights of Columbus **ANGEL TREE** is starting up on November 20, 2021. Please pick up a tag from the Angel Tree in the Narthex and **return** a new, unwrapped gift with tag **by December 11, 2021**. Thank you. Council 8192

The **NEW MISSALS** are ready for purchase at **\$5 each** and are in the library. Please place your money in the box provided or drop off at the Parish Office during office hours.

During the month of November the **BOOK OF LIFE** is set up in the Church. Please remember to add the names of your deceased loved ones to the list so they will be remembered at the Masses during November.

ST. TERESA'S TAKE-OUT TURKEY DINNER is being offered on **Sunday, December 5th** from 4 – 7 p.m. from the Grill on the Green. A different way to eat together on the same evening but in our own homes and do some fundraising at the same time! We've partnered again with The Grill on the Green (at the Elmira Golf Course) who will be offering a Take-Out Turkey Dinner with all the fixings including salad and dessert! Roast Turkey, mashed potatoes, steamed vegetables, stuffing, gravy (you can ask for gravy on the side or pour it on when ordering) cranberry sauce, salad with balsamic on the side and apple crumble pie. Cost is Adult: \$21.99 per dinner plus tax. Children: \$9.99 per dinner plus tax (no salad or dessert included).

A portion of each dinner sold will be donated back to our church! Meals must be **pre-ordered by Friday, December 3rd** by calling the restaurant (519-669-1651 extension 27 when they are open) with the number of dinners required, if gravy on the side and the time you will be picking them up. Hours are Monday- Tuesday 11am - 2pm / Wednesday - Friday 11am - 8pm / Saturday - Sunday 10am - 8pm. They will take your payment over the phone. When picking up, please follow the signs and protocols for social distancing. This is a great way to support our local business, our parish and have a delicious festive meal during the Christmas season! Any questions, please contact Barb Vodicka at 519-497-3162 or barbvodicka@gmail.com.

C.W.L. LADIES, IT IS TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP! Not a member? This is an invitation for all women of our parish ages 16 and up to join St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Women's League of Canada (C.W.L.)! **Our yearly dues remain at \$25** and can be dropped off in the collection, mailed to the church or paid by e-transfer to stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com. More information can be found on the parish website under the C.W.L. page. Any questions please contact Barb Vodicka 519-497-3162. This is an election year! If anyone is interested in being nominated for an Executive position, please contact Barb.

MANAGING GRIEF on **Tuesday, November 30, 2021** from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. All of us experience losses in our lifetime but sometimes we struggle with what we can do to support others experiencing grief. Someone's grief is as unique as the relationship they had with the loved one they lost. In providing support we often struggle with what to say. COVID has complicated grief because rituals that have helped us to begin coping have been altered and we are seeking supports from a distance. In this presentation about grief where we will explore together what people may be experiencing, ways to reach out to someone who has been impacted by a loss and how to support them through their healing. Presented by Julie Schelter, Hospice, WCHC. As physical distancing measures continue to be followed, Woolwich Community Health Centre is committed to offering health education at a distance using the virtual communication platform, Zoom. All sessions are free. Registration is required. To register, email Gebre at gberihuyn@wchc.on.ca, visit the website www.wchc.on.ca and click on the Register Online tab or call 519-664-3794 or 519-656-9025. Once you have registered, you will receive your invitation to participate closer to the date of the presentation. If you do not have internet access, you can attend the program using your telephone.

The **K-W ECUMENICAL SERVICES WITH TAIZE SONGS** is on **Sunday, November 28th** at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Kitchener. From 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. is the service with Taize songs followed by the Tiny Home take-out pizza for your trip home at 5 p.m. Covid protocols: In accordance with St. Mary's safety protocols, a number of measures will be implemented, including: distancing rules (1 family per pew, with 2 of 3 pews being roped off in-between), hand sanitization and mandatory masks while

indoors. Please pass along information about these services to your friends, congregations, or anyone who you think might appreciate a contemplative, ecumenical service. Information can be found at www.kwests.ca or on our KWESTS Facebook page.

The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region invites you to join in on a virtual event, **FUNDAMENTALS FOR A BRIGHT FUTURE: BUILDING RESILIENT FAMILIES** on **Tuesday, November 30th** from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This family-focused event will explore and define current mental and physical health challenges for people in all stages in life. Space is limited, please register today at <https://www.ccfowr.org/speaker-series>.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre presents **COPING WITH LONELINESS Virtual Adult Workshop** on **Wednesday, December 1, 2021** from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. This workshop is offered at no cost. To learn more and register email info@woolwichcounselling.org or call 519-669-8651 or visit 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira.

It's again that time of year when we think of the **Woolwich Community Services ("WCS") Christmas Goodwill Hampers**. The need is always great. Once again this year, as a result of Covid19, there will be **NO DOOR TO DOOR FOOD DRIVE**. Instead funds will need to be raised to replace the food that would otherwise be put in the Goodwill Hampers. WCS will be replacing the food with Gift Cards for Foodland and Food Basics. Set out below is a brief summary of how this fundraising will be accomplished. At **any time before December 4th** you can make a donation of cash, cheques or gift cards for Foodland or Food Basics will be accepted at WCS' office located at 5 Memorial Ave, Elmira; or online donations may be made at woolwichcommunityservices.org/ or by using the QR Code for WCS; to donate please use dropdown under FUND as Christmas Goodwill (Food).

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - As we continue to deal with the COVID virus in our communities, people are feeling the continued burden of the unknown about its dangers and how long it will last. This causes stress which might cause couples to lash out at the one they love most. Take some time to change the pattern of your life by planning some fun activities for the two of you, communicate truthfully about how you are feeling, acknowledge that your spouse may not be at their best because they are stressed, hold hands and hug often as touch can relieve stress and pray together that God will give you strength. Feeling united will reduce stress levels for both of you and create a more peaceful environment to help you deal with the unknowns.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for November 13/14:	\$2,882.25
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$68,801.51

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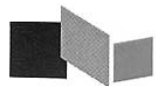
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