# St. Teresa of Avila

# Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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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 Fr. Peter Meyer Ken Gallipeau Leona Weishar Lisa Denomme

#### **Building & Finance Committee**

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
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#### **Catholic Women's League**

Barb Vodicka

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Adrian Miltenburg

#### **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 24, 2019
Solemnity of
Christ the King



#### St. Teresa of Avila School

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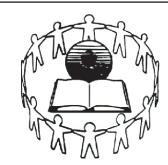
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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



### MASSES FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

#### Tuesday, November 26, 7:05 pm

**+Patricia Runstedler**; Linda & Murray Buchan One earns paradise with one's daily task. – St. Gianna Beretta Molla

#### Wed., November 27, 10:30 am - Barnswallow Place

+Marie Kraemer; Vincent Kraemer

Speak to them of the great mercy of God. Sometimes people are helped by your telling of your own lamentable past. – St. Francis Xavier

#### Thursday, November 28, 12:05 am

+Edmund Cassel; Hilda & Family

To be a servant of Christ is to be truly free. - St. Agatha

#### Friday, November 29, 9:00 am

9:00 am +Jack Downey; Maurice Downey

9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration

Complete abstinence is easier than perfect moderation. – St. Augustine

#### Saturday, November 30, 5:00 pm

+Bill Cassel; Theresa Cassel & Family

+Frank Walter; Leonard & Ruby Walter

Sunday, December 1, First Sunday of Advent 9:30 am Our Parish Community

#### **READINGS FOR November 30/December 1**

First Reading: Is 2:1-5
Second Reading: Rom 13:11-14
Gospel Reading: Mt 24:37-44

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 7:00pm 9:30 a.m. Choir Practice – Church 10:30am Small Group Gathering - Library SAT After Mass Prayer Shawl Bake & Craft Sale SUN After Mass Prayer Shawl Bake & Craft Sale

## HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., November 25 Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M. Tues., November 26 Rev. Stipe Renic, O.F.M.

Wed., November 27 Diocese of Hamilton Cemetery Staff

Thurs., November 28 Rev. Peter Watters Fri., November 29 Rev. Ilija Petkovic Sat., November 30 Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

Canned Salmon, Canned Turkey and Canned Chicken

### MINISTRIES for November 30/Dec 1

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

5pm Judy Furlong, Phil Milan, Tim Baillargeon 9:30am Agnes Downey, Barb Vodicka, Ray Denomme

#### Hospitality

5pm Doris & Mike Snelling, Geoff & Kieran Kelly 9:30am Anne & Bill Hanley, Joseph & Linus Ditner

#### **Altar Servers**

5pm Kevin Dupuis

9:30am Katelyn Grosz, Evan Grosz, Rachel Grosz

Lectors Commentator

5pm Colleen Weber Patsy Pond

9:30am Paul Shutsa Larry Glofcheskie

Lisa Denomme

#### Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Dec 1 Stewart Logan

#### **Sign Ministry**

Nov 25 Larry Knarr

#### **Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister**

Dec 4 Tom O'Marra

**BAPTISM** – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Brooke Hope Simonds**, daughter of Kevin and Ashley and **Lanie Jane Tremain**, daughter of Shaemus and Sarah. We pray that God will help these children to grow in holiness and wisdom.

Today at the 9:30 a.m. Mass, the C.W.L. honours all our sisters who sleep in Christ especially our members who have died in the past 2 years:

Name	Date of Death	Age
Yanchus, Elizabeth (Betty)	June 3, 2019	93
Anne		
Conlon, Mary	December 22, 2018	86
Rau, Victoria (Vicky)	October 10, 2018	61
Strauss, Mary	October 1, 2018	92
MacLean, Bridget	June 12, 2018	80
Spencer, Mary	May 14, 2018	94
Litt, Jean	April 7, 2018	86
Hahn, Joan	April 1, 2018	76

Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

### THANK YOU to those who supported the Quilt Auction at

the Spaghetti Dinner. Below are the recipients:
Dog Quilt & Dog Food Kelly Heinmiller
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Please note that the **PARISH OFFICE** will be **open from 9** a.m. to 12 noon Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday, **November 29<sup>th</sup>** as Donna is away.

There will be a **CELEBRATING THE WORD SMALL GROUP GATHERING** each Thursday to enhance preparation for the Masses during Advent beginning **Thursday, November 28**<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. All welcome!

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be having a **CRAFT AND BAKE SALE after Masses on Saturday, November 30**<sup>th</sup> **and Sunday, December 1**<sup>st</sup>. Get your Christmas shopping started now.

The Knights of Columbus **CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE** is now set up. Please pick up a tag from the Angel Tree in the Narthex and return a new, unwrapped gift with tag by December 8, 2019.

The ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHRISTMAS DINNER is on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. The meal will begin at 6:00 p.m. Cash Bar will be available. A limited number of tickets can be purchased through the Parish Office, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by calling 519-669-3387. Ticket prices are: Adults \$21.00; Children 6-12 years \$10.00 and Children 5 & under are free. Last chance to purchase tickets is Monday, December 2nd. We will be having our Gift Basket Raffle and our popular 50/50 draw as well. Our very own local band - No Request - will be providing musical entertainment during and after the Christmas Dinner. Please plan to stay and even sneak in a dance or 2! Funds raised from this event will go towards the Building Maintenance Project.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED** at St. Teresa's Christmas Dinner taking place on **Friday, December 6**<sup>th</sup>. Please check out the **sign-up sheets in the Narthex.** Set up, servers, dishwashers, bartenders and clean up help all needed! Contact Barb Vodicka for more information 519-497-3162.

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.

ST. DAVID CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADE 8 PARENT AND STUDENT INFORMATION NIGHT is on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Any students who live within the St. David Boundary and are planning to attend Grade 9 in September 2020 are invited. Please come with your parents to visit St. David and see all of the wonderful programs that we offer. Grade 8 students attending public school are also invited with their parents to this information session.

There is a **COMMUNITY MEMORIAL SERVICE** on **Sunday, December 1**<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Gale Presbyterian Church, 10 Barnswallow Drive, Elmira. It is a peaceful worship with an opportunity to remember loved ones and friends who have recently passed away.

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS...WHEN YOU HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE – Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman. The session is being held at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton on Sunday, December 1, 2019 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. The event is FREE of charge. Please call to reserve a seat 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

There is an **OUTDOOR CHIRISTMAS PAGEANT** on **Sat., December 7**<sup>th</sup> **and Sun., December 8**<sup>th</sup> at Elmira Pentecostal Assembly, 290 Arthur St. S., Elmira with three shows each day; 6:00, 6:45 and 7:30 p.m. Free admission.

You are invited to the **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CHORAL CELEBRATION** featuring Elmira area church choirs on **Sunday**, **December 8**, **2019** at 7:00 p.m. at Woodside Bible Fellowship, 200 Barnswallow Drive, Elmira will be hosting this evening of Christmas songs. Free will offering in support of Woolwich Counselling Centre.

"SING NOEL" A CHRISTMAS CANTATA on December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at the Centre in the Square, 101 Queen St. N., Kitchener. This event showcases the 125 voice Festival Choir, Children's chorus, soloists and the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Orchestra. It features Jacob Moon, guitarist, singer/songwriter and Brandon Leis, tenor and Marion Samuel-Stevens, soprano. This is a benefit concert for Trinity Community Table and Historic St. Paul's Community Cupboard. Tickets available at the box office and online, www.centreinthesquare.com or 519-578-1570.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH – Touch is important to every human, but when life is busy we can forget its value. A quick kiss, a touch of the arm or back, a quick or long back scratch are just a few ways that spouses can remain close to each other. Each touch bonds us together and touching when intimacy is not part of the exchange means so much more: it says I love you, you are important and I need you. So hold hands, sit close on the couch and find little and big ways to touch. It will have a profound impact on your connectedness!

HEALING AFTER AN ABORTION: It Is Possible - Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. At Project Rachel we offer a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

VOCATION SEEDS – "Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom." Can you lead others to make this request of our Lord and King? Give your life to Jesus and others are sure to hear, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton by calling 905-528-7988 or by email at vocations@hamilitondiocese.com.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Lk 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you... For the measure you give will be measured back to you."

Offertory collection for November 16/17: \$2,623.55

Average per envelope: \$25.39

Electronic funds for the week: \$1,243.50

(based on 4 Sundays per month)

Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$75,302.15
Thank you!



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