# St. Teresa of Avila Roman Catholic Church

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# Website: www.stteresaelmira.ca

Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer frpetermeyer@gmail.com

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

Office Administration: Donna Vollmer

Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

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 Rick Weishar Sebastian Siebel-Achenbach

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 8, 2020 Thirty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time



**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



#### MASSES FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 9TH

Tuesday, November 10, 7:05 p.m. +Sharon Soeder; Mike & Carol Madlensky No one, however weak, is denied a share in the victory of the Cross. No one is beyond the help of the prayer of Christ. – St. Leo the Great

# Wednesday, November 11, 9:00 a.m.

+Joseph & Annamae Eckert; Estate What do you possess if you possess not God? – St. Augustine

#### Thursday, November 12, 12:05 p.m.

**+Ron Weber**; Wayne & Donna Vollmer I am here among you as a shepherd and you ought to know that I should be happy to give my life for you. – St. Josaphat

# Friday, November 13, 9:00 a.m.

**+Kay Logel;** Marianne Kieswetter You can win more converts with a spoonful of honey than with a barrelful of vinegar. – St. Francis de Sales

Saturday, November 14, 5:00 p.m. +Jacqueline Lachapelle; Roch Lachapelle +Laura Logel; Marcella & Judy Furlong 6:00 p.m. Baptism

Sunday, November 15, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 a.m. Our Parish Community

#### **READINGS FOR November 14/15**

 First Reading:
 Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

 Second Reading:
 1 Thes 5:1-6

 Gospel Reading:
 Mt 25:14-30

#### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., November 9	Rev. Frederick Scinto, C.R.
Tues., November 10	Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.
Wed., November 11	Congregation of the Holy Cross
Thurs., November 12	Rev. Peter Pigott, C.R.
Fri., November 13	Rev. Chris Buda, C.R.
Sat., November 14	Rev. Jim Donohue, C.R.

#### MINISTRIES for November 14/15

#### Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi & Marianne Kieswetter 9:30am Sharon Both, John Bruder, Ron Stemmler

#### Lectors

5pmKevin Dupuis9:30amMaria Diemert

# LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

Artificial Intelligence - We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

# FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Fruit (not pineapple), Hot Cereal and Laundry Detergent

# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Our beautiful organ arrived this Wednesday. I want to thank all the volunteers who helped with the set-up of the speakers and assisting Klaas from Classical Organ Center. We are interviewing candidates to play the organ and assist the choir. Please pray for this interviewing process. St. Cecilia pray for us.

Let us pray as we start the One Heart, One Soul Campaign that God will guide us in this new Diocesan endeavour. Our campaign team and I would be glad to answer any of your questions.

If you or a family member would like the Anointing of the Sick or a pastoral visit or call, Fr. Peter would be glad to assist. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment.

The Parish Office is open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday to Friday. You will have to fill out a visitor's log when you enter through the church doors. For appointments with Fr. Peter or the Parish Office please contact the office.

Father Peter

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.

**C.W.L. MEMBERSHIP DRIVE continues:** Ladies age 16 and up - join or renew your membership for only \$25. Please include cash or a cheque made out to St. Teresa of Avila C.W.L. along with your name, address, phone number and email address in an envelope marked C.W.L. (or use the envelope in your offering box) and return this to the church office or drop it in the collection basket. You can also etransfer your payment to stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com and in the notes put C.W.L. membership for (your name). If you have any questions about the league please reach out to Barb Vodicka, C.W.L. President, St Teresa of Avila, Elmira by telephone/text at 519-497-3162 or by email at barbvodicka@gmail.com.

**STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION?** Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre, 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira is offering programs that you can participate in.

- Cognitive Behaviour Therapy Skills Group on November 10, 17, 24, December 1, 8 & 15, 2020 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- LGBTQ Awareness & Support Awareness is on November 10, 2020 & February 2, 2021 from 7 – 8 p.m. and Support is on February 10, 24, March 10, 24, April 7 & 21, 2021 from 4 – 5 p.m.

Visit www.woolwichcounselling.org for more program details. Call 519-669-8651 or email info@woolwichcounselling.org to register.

The Woolwich Community Health Centre virtually presents on Zoom a session on **MEDICAL CANNABIS.** The purpose of this session is to create awareness of all aspects of medical cannabis. It is facilitated by Dr. Michael Beazely, University of Waterloo Professor on **Tuesday**, **November 10, 2020** from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. This is a free event. Registration is required. Email gberihun@wchc.on.ca.

**PREGNANCY SUPPORT – VOLUNTEER TRAINING** 

**SESSION** – On **Saturday, November 14**<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 - 4:30 p.m., the Sanctuary Outreach Pregnancy Support program will be offering a virtual training session on how to support women and families who are facing an unexpected pregnancy. Those who are interested in becoming peer support volunteers for Sanctuary or who want to use these skills in their church community are encouraged to attend. The session is free and includes training on active listening, local resources, and understanding the challenges women and families face. There will also be information on the abortion pill reversal network and how to refer women to this life-saving treatment. To register,

email info@sanctuaryoutreach.com or call 519-836-6311.

It's again that time of year when we think of the WOOLWICH COMMUNITY SERVICES ("WCS") CHRISTMAS GOODWILL HAMPERS. While the need will be greater, as a result of Covid19, the Hampers will be done somewhat differently. As part of the change there will be <u>NO</u> DOOR TO DOOR FOOD DRIVE. Instead funds will need to be raised to replace the food, that would otherwise be put in such hampers, and 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.

1. Area Service Clubs are joining together to offer you an opportunity to donate (either cash or by cheque) at certain businesses in Woolwich Township on Friday, November 20th and Saturday, November 21st.

2. As an alternative at any time before December 5th:

A. donations of cash, cheques or gift cards for **Foodland** or **Food Basics** will be accepted at '**WCS**' office located at 5 Memorial Ave, Elmira; or

B. online donations may be made at

woolwichcommunityservices.org; to donate please use dropdown under fund as Christmas Goodwill (Food) / see QR Code below for WCS.



The Woolwich Community Health Centre virtually presents on Zoom a session on **GUT HEALTH.** The Gut matters in our mental and physical well-being, much more than we ever knew. Join Annemarie Mantler, Nutritionist, to learn more about your gut health on **Tuesday, November 24, 2020** from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. This is a free event. Registration is required. Email gberihun@wchc.on.ca. The **ELMIRA DISTRICT MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION is cancelling** the two traditional advent events, **the Community Memorial Service** that was scheduled for November 29<sup>th</sup> and **the Community Carol Sing** that was scheduled for December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Are you a student looking at university or a parent wanting to help guide your student to choose a university that lives the values of the gospel? We know you belong here. **ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY (SJU)** is a small, Catholic, liberal arts university federated with the University of Waterloo (UW) and located right at its heart. Think of us as a "neighbourhood within a city" – we are just a few steps across the creek from main campus UW; truly, the best of both worlds! We are a tight-knit residence and academic community with alumni and partners around the world, and no matter how you come to be connected with us, you are a part of SJU. And since we can't bring you to SJU because of the pandemic, we're bringing SJU to you! Explore our campus, programs, and community by connecting with us live and virtually at www.sju.ca/connect-with-us.

#### CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES -

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children who are not in Catholic Schools also is available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more information. Printable registration forms are available or you can register online.

**EYEGLASSES NEEDED** – This is a reminder that there is an eyeglass collection box in the cloakroom. Please donate any used eyeglasses you may have, as these will be forwarded to people locally and in third world nations unable



to afford them. Please note that eyeglass cases cannot be accepted as they cannot be sanitized. This effort is a project of your local Lions clubs. Thank you.

**VOCATION SEEDS** – "Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Listen with your heart as well as with your ears for then you may accept the call to serve in the priesthood. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

#### **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Offertory collection for Oct 31/Nov 1:	\$4,279.75	
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64	
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$112,329.25		

Thank you!

