# St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer frpetermeyer@gmail.com

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

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Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

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 Jason Adams 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.

October 10, 2021 Twenty-Eighth 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 OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup>

**Tuesday, October 12, No Mass** The saints were not superhuman. They were people who loved God in their hearts and who shared this joy with others. – Pope Francis

#### Wednesday, October 13, No Mass

If we truly think of Christ as our source of holiness, we shall refrain from anything wicked or impure in thought or act and show ourselves to be worthy bearers of his name. – St. Gregory of Nyssa

#### Thursday, October 14, No Mass

This is the wonderful truth, my dear friends: the Word, which became flesh two thousand years ago, is present today in the Eucharist. – St. John Paul II

#### Friday, October 15,

9:00 am +Colleen Weber; Marcella & Judy Furlong 9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration

Accustom yourself continually to make many acts of love, for they enkindle and melt the soul. – St. Teresa of Jesus

Saturday, October 16, 5:00 pm +John Schill; Estate +Pat Runstedler; Helen & Burt Moore

Sunday, October 17, 9:30 am Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Laity Sunday) Our Parish Community

# **READINGS FOR October 16/17**

First Reading: Is 53:10-11 Second Reading: Heb 4:16-16 Gospel Reading: Mk 10:35-45

# THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 6:30 pm C.W.L. Executive Meeting - Hall

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

**Missionary disciples** - We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

Canned Ham/Turkey/Chicken and Canned Fruit

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

Mon., October 11	Rev. Peter Nwachukwu, O.C.D.
Tues., October 12	Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
Wed., October 13	Chaplains
Thurs., October 14	Rev. Bradley Markus
Fri., October 15	Very Rev. David Wynen
Sat., October 16	Rev. Msgr. Edward D. Sheridan

#### MINISTRIES for October 16/17

## Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Patsy Pond 9:30am Ray Denomme

#### Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt & Marianne Kieswetter 9:30am Rick & Leona Weishar, John Bruder Lector5pmTom O'Marra9:30amDianne McGuire

**Commentator** Judy Furlong Linda Bruder

Sign Ministry Oct 12 Ray Denomme



Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.

Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and earthly, our faith and religious heritage, our food and shelter, our health, the love we have for one another, our family and friends.

Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This coming weekend, October 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> we will celebrating the Feast of St. Teresa at our weekend Masses. Her actual Feast Day is October 15<sup>th</sup>. St. Teresa of Avila was a Carmelite nun in Spain. She had a great relationship with God in prayer. Both the Virgin Mary and Jesus appeared to her in prayer! She had a new approach to personal and contemplative prayer. She wrote at length about her experience with prayer and has guided many from her powerful, practical and graceful writings. Come and join us as we pray for her intercession.

This year our Food Drive will be for the entire month of October. Consider donating in order to help those who are in need in our community.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. I pray that God will pour out his abundant blessings upon all of you and guide you in this coming year.

#### Father Peter

The Knights of Columbus would like to **THANK OUR PARISHONERS** for their support to the Ted Teahan Canadian Tire money and cash program for the Elmira Youth Centre. This will be our last year running this program. We will donate \$25 cash and \$6.10 in Canadian Tire money this year. **DID YOU KNOW...** October 15<sup>th</sup> is the Feast Day of St. Teresa of Avila. She had a **great devotion and trust in St. Joseph** as her patron Saint and frequently appealed to him in her time of need. St. Teresa suffered from a severe debilitating sickness for four years bringing her to near death. She attributes her recovery to the intercession of St. Joseph.

St. Teresa of Avila said " I do not remember that I ever asked St. Joseph at any time for anything which he did not obtain for me. It fills me with amazement when I consider the numerous graces which God has granted me through the intercession of this blessed saint and the perils, both of body and soul, from which he has delivered me. Quoted from the book "St. Joseph's Gems".

The Knights of Columbus "**ROSES FOR LIFE**" **CAMPAIGN** is **on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at the 5 p.m. Mass and Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.** The new residesigned 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.

Our **ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE** is from **October 1<sup>st</sup> until October 31<sup>st</sup>.** We can have a significant impact on our area in an effort to make it hunger-free. Please consider donating to our Annual Food Drive. The top 10 items that are needed are: canned meat (turkey, ham & chicken), canned fish (tuna & salmon), canned fruit, canned vegetables, baking supplies, condiments (salad dressing & bbq sauce), crackers, laundry detergent, deodorant and toilet paper. Cash and gift cards are also appreciated. Cash or gift card donations of \$10 or more qualify for a tax receipt. Please leave your name and address.

# **C.W.L. EXECUTIVE MEETING ONLY** – Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the hall.

**C.W.L. EXECUTIVE MEETING** – Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the hall and **C.W.L. GENEERAL MEETING** – Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:35 p.m. in the hall.

Members, please plan on attending as we will be voting on several items which must be done in person (not virtual). This includes several instructed votes which require a quorum (10% of membership) in order to pass them on. Please sign up for the meeting a.s.a.p. by emailing **barbvodicka@gmail.com** and the material will be sent to you to pre-read before voting. If you don't have email, please call Barb at 519-497-3162 for paper copies. Attendance requires proof of double vaccination and selfassessment screening questions.

#### C.W.L. LADIES, IT IS TIME TO RENEW YOUR

**MEEMBERSHIP!** 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 (CWL)! *5 Top Reasons to Belong:* 

- 1. We pray for one another as part of a sisterhood.
- 2. We are Catholic women of action.
- 3. We care for the less fortunate.
- 4. We support our parish.

5. We are a powerful force. By becoming a member your name is added to the thousands of Catholic women across Canada lobbying for social justice by way of Resolutions put forward to the government.

Let us show our solidarity by increasing our membership numbers to show that the women of St. Teresa's parish are willing to stand and be counted! **Our yearly dues remain at \$25** and can be dropped off in the collection, mailed to the church or paid by etransfer 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.

#### HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS from 4:30

**p.m.** – **8:00 p.m.** – Check Heavenly Eats or St. Teresa's Facebook page for a list of trucks and our sign to see at which church the trucks are located each week for October.

The **40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2021 CAMPAIGN** has started and we need your help! The campaign runs from **Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>** across from Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, on the grass, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. There are hours open: Sign up for vigil hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by calling Patrick at 519-748-5548.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre presents **MANAGING CAREGIVER FATIGUE ADULT WORKSHOP** on **Tuesday**, **October 19, 2021** from 7 – 8 p.m. Being a caregiver has many rewards and can be very emotionally fulfilling. However, it can also be demanding and impact mental and emotional well-being. Join us to equip yourself with coping skills, self-care, and strategies to prevent caregiven fatigue. To learn more and register call 519-669-8651 or email info@woolwichcounselling.org or visit 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira. This is a no cost, virtual workshop.

Woolwich Community Services is offering a **FREE ONLINE COOKING PROGRAM** on **Tuesday**, **October 26**, **2021** from 3:30 – 5 p.m. This is a family-friendly program via zoom. On the menu is Shepard's Pie. <u>Please register by</u> <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>October 20<sup>th</sup></u>. Anyone can join and will be given the list of ingredients to purchase items. If you are registered with their food program you are eligible for a meal kit with all the needed items.

The **WOOLWICH YOUTH CENTRE** is open Mondays and Friday from 3 p.m. -7 p.m. and every other Saturday from 12:30 - 4 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT Offertory collection for October 2/3: \$3,569.25 Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$67,066.51 Thank you!

