# 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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Deacon: 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 Fr. Peter Meyer Ken Gallipeau Leona Weishar Lisa Denomme

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

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
Jason Adams Kris Kauk
Maria Diemert Rick Weishar
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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.

October 11, 2020

Twenty-Eighth
Sunday of Ordinary Time



#### St. Teresa of Avila School

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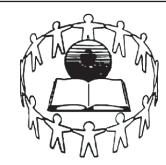
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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 OCTOBER 12TH

#### Tuesday, October 13, 7:05 p.m.

+Special Intention; Deirdre Ward

Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever. – St. Francis de Sales

#### Wednesday, October 14, 9:00 a.m.

+Annamae Eckert; John & Robert Morris
The more a person uses moderation in their life, the more
they are at peace, for they are not full of cares for many
things. – St. Anthony the Great

#### Thursday, October 15,

12:05 p.m. +David Milne; Danielle Pilon
7:00 p.m. St. Teresa of Avila Feast Day
+Lucy Bertin; St. Teresa of Avila
Catholic Women's League

There are more tears shed over answered prayers than over unanswered prayers. – St. Teresa of Avila

#### Friday, October 16, 9:00 a.m.

+Laura Logel; Linda & Vince Spilek

All the wealth in the world cannot be compared with the happiness of living together happily united. – St. Marguerite d'Youville

#### Saturday, October 17, 5:00 p.m.

- +Jacqueline Lachapelle; Roch Lachapelle
- +Sharon Soeder: Carol Stortz

Sunday, October 18,

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 a.m. Our Parish Community

#### **READINGS FOR October 17/18**

First Reading: Is 45:1, 4-6 Second Reading: 1 Thes 11-5b Gospel Reading: Mt 22:15-21

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

FRI 4:30pm-7:00pm Food Trucks

## HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., October 12
Tues., October 13
Wed., October 14
Thurs., October 15
Fri., October 16
Sat., October 17
Rev. Leszek Szczygiel
Rev. David Weise
Chancery Staff
Rev. Tim Hingston
Rev. Pablito Labado
Rev. Philip Reilly, C.R.

#### **MINISTRIES for October 17/18**

#### Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Debbie Yutzi 9:30am Rick & Leona Weishar, John Bruder

#### Lectors

5pm Colleen Weber 9:30am James Ready

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

The Laity's Mission in the Church – We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

Apple Juice, Mayonnaise and Ketchup

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Please join us this coming Thursday for our Feast Day Masses. Mass times are 12:05 p.m. and 7 p.m. You are encouraged to come and pray with us and ask for blessings from our patroness, St. Teresa. All welcome!

May God pour out his abundant blessings upon you and your families this Thanksgiving weekend. Be assured of my prayers and thankfulness for you and your families. I am very thankful to be your pastor here at St. Teresa's.

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.

Our new organ was scheduled to arrive in September. We have just heard that our organ will arrive shortly and you will hear more about this organ in the weeks to come.

Father Peter

Dear Parishioners,

In these times of Covid-19 a few people have asked about virtual programs to help with spiritual growth and of course, community connections. I think this is a great idea and in time, can develop into spiritual studies and programs. I think the best way to start is to establish a list of people who would be interested. This will begin if there is only one participant. The Rosary should only last about 30 minutes max.

If you would like to join, please email me at bmarkides@rogers.com and I can connect with you. I will need your email address when I send out the zoom link. In your email please state what is the best day and time that you think the virtual rosary should take place (i.e. morning... afternoon or in the evening. When I have received some ideas, I can set up the actual time it will take place, taking your preferences into account.

Please don't be concerned about zooming I will lead you through the process. Zoom is totally free and can be run on a computer or your cell phone and is safe and relatively easy to use.

If you are interested please send me an email, with your ideas and concerns.

Yours in Christ. Deacon Basil

#### A PRAYER FOR THANKS IN A HARD YEAR

God, this year has been hard for many of us at this table. While this is a sweet moment, it's also hard. The challenges we have faced this year have been overwhelming, and as we gather today, we cannot ignore the fact that these feelings still linger as does the pain. But for these next few hours, we remember that you are a God who loves us, cares for us, heals us, and forgives us. Help us to enjoy this

time. In the lingering bitterness give us peace. We thank you for this meal and pray a blessing for our strength. Amen.

**BAPTISM** – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Brody Allan Durrer**, son of Justin and Sarah. We pray that God will help him to grow in holiness and wisdom.

**ADORATION** will commence again on **Fridays beginning October 9**<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. If you are available on a weekly basis and would like to be put on our list or if you are able to be a spare please contact the Parish Office (519-669-3387) to have your name added.

Our ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY FOOD DRIVE is from Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> until Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. We can have a significant impact on our area in an effort to make it hunger-free. Please consider once again donating to our Thanksgiving Day Food Drive.

#### ONE HEART, ONE SOUL CAMPAIGN

The One Heart, One Soul Campaign will be announced at next weekend's Masses. Father will speak about the campaign, and we will show a campaign video. You will hear more about our projects.

Can our parish use the campaign funds to address operating budget problems? Yes. This applies to all parishes in coming waves that designate the funds for that purpose. Parishes that have already completed the campaign can use their funds only for the projects for which the money was raised. Those parishes' challenges are not being ignored, however. The Diocese has created a separate fund to help parishes with significant operating budget needs created because of the shutdown.

Why do you emphasize making a pledge? Pledges

allow donors to consider giving more than is possible through one-time gifts. Parishioners are able to be more generous to their parishes' campaign and the Diocese through incremental giving over time. Also, pledging is not as big a strain on household budgets. This is important in a campaign of this magnitude.

FEAST OF ST. TERESA OF AVILA MASS - To celebrate the Feast Day of our Patron Saint, St. Teresa of Avila, we invite you to a special Mass on Thursday October 15th at 7 p.m. St Teresa was a Carmelite nun, and in fact we have a Carmelite Monastery nearby, the Carmel of St. Joseph Monastery in St. Agatha. In the fall our CWL ladies usually visit the Carmel to join the Sisters for Mass in their Chapel, to purchase items from their display room and make donations to the nuns. Unfortunately this year we are unable to join the Sisters in their tiny Chapel, so instead we invite everyone in the parish to pray for the Sisters in our own church on the Feast of St. Teresa of Avila. If you would like to make a non-perishable donation to the Sisters you can bring it to our church and Barb Vodicka will deliver our donations to them. The Sisters especially need canned soup (vegetable, not meat), fresh or canned fruit, pasta, cleaning products and supplies, dish or clothing detergent, paper products (1 ply please). Thank you for helping us celebrate our patron saint in this small way, through prayer and supporting her fellow Sisters.

## REACHING OUT TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL LADIES AT ST. TERESA'S CHURCH!

The Catholic Women's League invites you to become a new member or to renew your membership in our organization, founded in faith and service. The month of October is our membership drive.

To join or renew, provide your name, address, phone number and email address along with a cheque for \$25 in a envelope marked CWL and mail it to the church or drop it in the church mailbox by the front door during the week or in the collection basket on the weekend. If you would like to e-transfer, please contact Barb.

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 at 519-497-3162 or by email at barbvodicka@gmail.com.

HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS HAVE EXTENDED THEIR DATE – THEY WILL BE AT ST. TERESA'S Every Friday until October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. See Heavenly Eats Facebook page for a list of trucks at each church. This is for take-out only and social distancing is in place for placing and picking up orders.

The **40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2020 CAMPAIGN** has started. If you are able to help please sign up. The campaign runs from **Wednesday**, **September 23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday**, **November 1<sup>st</sup>** across from Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, on the grass, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Please email 40DaysKW@gmail.com to sign up for a weekly hour or go directly to our website at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener.

HEARTACHE TO HEALING – St. Michael Parish Grief Support Group – This six week grief support group will be offered this fall. The program is designed to assist people after the death of a loved one, or a significant loss. This program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster.. The sessions will be held on Thursday evenings from 7 – 8:30 p.m. (October 22<sup>nd</sup> to November 26<sup>th</sup>). Everyone is welcome. There is no fee, but you **must register by** October 12<sup>th</sup>. To register or for more information, please contact the St. Michael Parish Office at 519-884-9311 or email parish@stmichaelw.ca.

**VOCATION SEEDS** – How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? Ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow Him as a priest? 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 October 3/4: \$3,921.75 Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64 Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$111,444.25

Thank you!



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