St. Teresa of Avila Roman Catholic Church

October 15, 2023
Twenty-Eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., 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

Colleen Jack Debbie Yutzi Fr. Peter Meyer Ken Gallipeau

Building & Finance Committee

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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.



St. Teresa of Avila School

75 First St. W., Elmira 519-669-8843 Fax 519-669-4509

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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 16TH

Tuesday, October 17, 7:05 pm

+Betty Walter; Bill Walter

+Sylvester Moser; Pam & Chris Cassidy & Family Nothing is hidden from the Lord Jesus, and even our secrets are close to him. Let us then do everything in the knowledge that he is dwelling within us, so that we may be his temples and he may be God within us. – St. Ignatius of Antioch

Wednesday, October 18, 9:00 am - Maryhill

The human soul is not a complete, static, unchanging, monolithic existence. It is being in the state of becoming and in the process of becoming. The soul must bring to fruition those predispositions with which it was endowed when coming into the world. – St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Thursday, October 19, 10:00 am – School Mass Intentions of Gladys Podniewicz; Sharon & Mike Noel +Clem Martin; Martin Family

Live in such a way that you bear outwardly as well as inwardly the image of Christ crucified, the model of all gentleness and mercy. – St. Paul of the Cross

Friday, October 20, 9:00 am - Maryhill

O Heart of Love, I put all my trust in you. For I fear all things from my own weakness, but I hope for all things from your goodness. – St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

Saturday, October 21, 5:00 pm +Doug Furlong; The Family

+Irene Baptista; Connie Voll

Sunday, October 22,

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Maryhill 1:00 pm Baptism

READINGS FOR October 21/22

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

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., October 16 Rev. Hayden Starczala

World Food Day

Tues., October 17 Rev. John Van Hees

Wed., October 18 Congregation of the Holy Cross

Thurs., October 19 Rev. Patrick Ohl

Fri., October 20 Very Rev. Lawrence Parent

Sat., October 21 Rev. Gerald Mulhall

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON & TUE Office Closed

TUE 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting – Library

6:00 pm First Reconciliation Session - Hall

7:35 pm **Finance Meeting** – Library

WED 7:00 pm 9 a.m. Choir Practice – Church

THU 7:00 pm **R.C.I.A. Session** – Library

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For the Synod – We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Ham/Chicken/Turkey, Canned Salmon/Tuna and Peanut Butter

MINISTRIES for October 21/22

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Deacon Basil Markides, Kathy Ziegler

9am Deacon Basil Markides, Rick Weishar, Sandi Hutchinson

Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt, Sharon Both 9am Mike & Sharon Noel, Ron Stemmler

Lector Commentator
5pm Lisa Denomme Judy Furlong
9am Maria Diemert Iris Miltenburg

Children's Liturgy

Oct 22 Emily Beynon and Anna Jakeman

Sian Ministry

Oct 16 Sandi Hutchinson

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Blessings to you and your families as we celebrate our Parish Feast Day. Let us ask St Teresa to watch over all of us and thank her for her intercession.

Let us ask St. Teresa and all of us to pray for the Synod in Rome that the Holy Spirit will guide our church. May they have open hearts and open minds.

I would like to invite you to consider joining our Parish Pastoral Council. I and the parish would really appreciate your consideration as new members are needed. Please contact Donna in the Parish Office or me personally if you are interested.

Thank you for your support of the Daughters of the Sacred Heart who spoke for the Mission Appeal.

Fr. Peter

The Knights of Columbus of St. Teresa's Church is looking for **PARISH VOLUNTEERS** to assist in the collection of cash donations for the Elmira Food Bank Drive at Food Basics Grocery Store in Elmira. The shifts are 2 hours long on **Friday, November 3rd and Saturday, November 4th**. For more information please contact Ray Denomme at raytrudyd@gmail.com or 519-669-3854 or Paul Shutsa at paulshutsa@gmail.com or 519-241-0484 **by October 19th**.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY is every Sunday at 9 a.m. They are still looking for volunteers to help with this program. If you are available to volunteer 20 minutes during Mass each month please email anna.gallipeaujakeman@wcdsb.ca.

C.W.L. Ladies - It's time to renew your membership! Membership fees remain the same at \$40 and can be dropped off at the office, placed in the collection or you can e-transfer to stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com indicating "For C.W.L. Membership". If you have any questions, please contact Barb Vodicka at 519-497-3162 or email h094.cwlpresident@gmail.com.

C.W.L. News

- This is an election year! Nomination forms will be sent out to all members in late October. Please consider joining our

Executive! Elections will be held at our January meeting (Tuesday, January 9th @ 7:35 p.m.).

Please plan on attending and voting for the nominees. We need a quorum to be present that night.

- November's General meeting is Tuesday, November 14th
 7:35 p.m. We will be voting on our charitable donations and need a quorum present.
- Mark your calendars for **Tuesday**, **December 12**th for Mass at 6:00 pm followed by our Potluck. <u>All</u> ladies of the parish are welcome to come and join us!

Join us for **HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS** from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on **Friday, October 20**th here at **St. Teresa Church**. Check out to see what trucks are here at www.facebook.com/HeavenlyEatsFoodTrucks.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – From September 27th to November 5th, 2023 we invite you to join together in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are encouraged to get involved by Prayer and Fasting for an end to abortion, as well as attending a Peaceful Vigil outside of Freeport Hospital, for an allocated hour between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., seven days a week. We encourage volunteers to consider Adopting an Hour a week, which is 6 hours over the span of the campaign. You can sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing Ewelina at 40DaysKW@gmail.com or calling 519-904-2620. It is very important that you sign up BEFORE coming to the vigil site as this prevents one of the committee or emergency back-up members from driving out to the site.

See the Mental Health Series (in-person and zoom) below: MIND MAPPING: NAVIGATING ANXIETY AVOIDANCE THROUGH THOUGHT LOGS, on Thursday, October 19th from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Facilitated by Penny Bedford, MSW, R.S.W.

FOOD FOR MOOD: MASTERING MOOD & FOOD FOR ANXIETY RELIEF, on **Thursday, October 26**th from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Facilitated by Natalee Miller, Registered Dietitian.

To register email/call Tariq at tabdulhadi@wchc.on.ca or 519-664-3794 ext. 222 or visit the website at www.wchc.on.ca and click on the Register Online tab.

MEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP – If you would like to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic priest, please join me, Father Mark Morley, and other men who are discerning their vocation, by attending our diocesan Men's Discernment Group. Our first meeting for the Fall will be held on Friday, October 20th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Michael Church, 80 University Ave. W, Waterloo. We will gather in the hall. Please use the side doors at the front of the church. If you would like to attend, or have any questions, please contact me: Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.

Gale Presbyterian Church presents **PHANTOM OF THE OPERA**, a 1925 silent movie, on **Friday, October 27, 2023** with background music created live by Ian Sadler, a renowned concert organist. Dinner and Entertainment are \$40 per person with dinner served at 5:30 p.m. There is

limited dinner seating. For entertainment only it is \$25 per person. For tickets contact Rick McFadden at 548-255-5230 (cell) or rich.mcfadden@myyahoo.com. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Doors open at 7 p.m. with the show at 7:15 p.m. This is a fundraiser for "Gale Outreach".

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHTS - Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.), Social with Food (7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.), and Compline (9:00 p.m.) on Saturday, November 4th at Saint Pius X Church (9 Waverly Street, Brantford). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

WORLD YOUTH DAY IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Did you know that 39 delegates from the Diocese traveled to the international celebration of World Youth Day in Portugal this past summer? You can review the photo and video journals of the pilgrimage on social media: @officeofyouthministry (Instagram) or "Diocese of Hamilton Office of Youth Ministry" (Facebook). Testimonies written by participants can also be found here: https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/

RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE – ... And while this parable is about being invited into the Kingdom of Heaven, it's also about vocations – because nobody is "just" a part of the Kingdom of Heaven, nobody is "just" a guest at the wedding banquet. If you are invited – and you are, since everyone is – then you are also called to a specific role. Imagine if you opened that invitation to the royal wedding. What do you think you might find? It probably would not be what you'd expect. I have never heard a vocation story in my life that went "exactly" as expected. Read more at www.resurrectionists.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, deacon, brother or sister, or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Are you a man 18 years of age or older who is a practising Catholic and interested in helping those in need, serving our



parish and growing in our faith? Then why not join our Knights of Columbus council. Become part of the largest Catholic fraternity in the world, supported by a true brotherhood built on shared values and a shared desire to be the man God has called

us to be. Please email us at: gk8192@ontariokofc.ca and help put faith in action.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for Oct 7/8: \$4,078.80 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$38,465.99 Thank you!



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