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: Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

Office Administration: Donna Vollmer
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Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm



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

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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.

October 24, 2021
Thirtieth Sunday
of Ordinary Time



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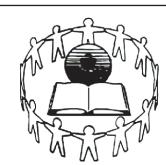
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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 25TH

Tuesday, October 26, No Mass

Do not spend your energies on things that generate worry, anxiety and anguish. Only one thing is necessary: lift up your spirit and love God. – St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Wednesday, October 27, No Mass

It is easy to love the people far away. It is not always easy to love those close to us. – St. Teresa of Calcutta

Thursday, October 28, No Mass

Beware of the person of one book. – St. Thomas Aquinas

Friday, October 29, No Mass & No Adoration

Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience achieves everything. – St. Teresa of Avila

Saturday, October 30, 5:00 pm

- +Ben & Rita Lorbetski; The Family
- +Hilda & Edmund Cassel; Mark Cassel
- +Rina Milan; Phil & Debra Milan

Sunday, October 31, 9:30 am

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Reformation Day)
Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR October 30/31

First Reading: Dt 6:2-6
Second Reading: Heb 7:23-28
Gospel Reading: Mk 12:28b-34

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 25 Rev. Joseph Abiola Akanbi Tues., October 26 Rev. Charles Jordan

Wed., October 27 Consecrated Men and Women Thurs., October 28 Rev. Lourdy Dorismond, O.M.I.

Fri., October 29 Rev. Archange Kebe

Sat., October 30 Rev. Jarek Pachocki, O.M.I.

MINISTRIES for October 30/31

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Peggy Kelly-Kulaga 9:30am Dianne McGuire

Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Marianne Kieswetter

9:30am Anne Hanley, Adrian Miltenburg, Ray Denomme

Lector

5pm Lisa Denomme 9:30am Wally Malcolm

Commentator Judy Furlong

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Sign Ministry

Oct 25 Kieran Kelly

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Thank you for participating in our St. Teresa's Feast Day celebration. If you remember please bring your prayer card to Mass so we can recite it together.

On Monday, November 1st is All Saints Day. This day, also known as All Hallows' Day or Hallowmas, is the day after All Hallows' Eve (Hallowe'en). It is a feast day celebrated on 1st November by Anglicans and Roman Catholics. It is an opportunity for believers to remember all saints and martyrs, known and unknown, throughout Christian history.

On Tuesday, November 2nd is All Souls' Day, also known as the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed and the Day of the Dead, is a day of prayer and remembrance for the souls of those who have died, which is observed by Latin Catholics and other Christian denominations annually.

Be assured of my continued support and prayer.

Father Peter

Our **ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE** is from **October 1**st **until October 31**st. 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.

C.W.L. EXECUTIVE MEETING – Tuesday, November 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the hall and **C.W.L. GENERAL MEETING** – Tuesday, November 9th 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 self-assessment screening questions.

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

MEMBERSHIP! 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 (C.W.L.)! *Five 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.** – This Friday is your last opportunity to enjoy the tasty fair of Food Truck Fridays. Come and enjoy the food trucks on October 29th at Elmira Pentecostal Assembly. Check Heavenly Eats or St. Teresa's Facebook page for a list of trucks.

The **40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2021 CAMPAIGN** has almost come to an end. This campaign ends on **Sunday**, **October 31**st. Join us 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 UNDERSTANDING AND PREVENTING EATING **DISORDERS ADULT WORKSHOP** on Monday, October **25**, **2021** from 7 – 8:30 p.m. This workshop will help you learn how to help others who may be affected. It will help you recognize the early signs of disordered eating, respond in a compassionate manner and learn about supportive resources. This is a no cost, virtual workshop. STAND TALL FOR AGES 7-9 (six week therapy group) on Mondays, October 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 2021 from 5-6 p.m. This therapy group promotes confidence and assertiveness enabling children to protect and express themselves. This is a no cost, in-person group. NO NEED TO FRET FOR AGES 8 – 11 (five session therapy group) on Tuesdays, October 26, November 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2021 from 5-6 p.m. This therapy group is an appropriate and timely intervention that can help anxious children grow up to be healthy adults. This group provides strategies to help anxious children better manage fears and worries. This is a no cost, in-person group. GLAD TO BE ME FOR AGES 4-7 on Thursday, October 28, 2021 from 4-5 p.m. This workshop promotes selfesteem and self-worth and is a no cost, in-person workshop. To learn more and/or register call 519-669-8651 or email info@woolwichcounselling.org or visit 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira.

Woolwich Community Health Centre presents: **ERGONOMICS IN THE OFFICE AT HOME AND AT WORK** on **Wednesday**, **October 27**, **2021** from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Whether you are working in your home or in the office/workplace, learning about healthy postures and movements can help to reduce discomfort and/or pain. In this session you will learn about: Ergonomics in the office, at work or home; steps to follow for ergonomic assessment and injury prevention strategies. Presented by Bernadette Vanspall. Physiotherapist. WCHC.

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. In this session you will gain a basic understanding of Rheumatoid Arthritis and important warning signs; learn evidence-based treatment strategies; learn self-management strategies to deal with day to day

symptoms of arthritis,; learn how to register for the Arthritis Society's free educations sessions to learn more about rheumatoid arthritis. Presented by Sue MacQueen, Advance Clinician Practitioner in Arthritis Care. As physical distancing measures continue to be followed, Woolwich Community Health Centre is committed to offering health education at a distance using the virtual communication platform, Zoom. All sessions are free. Registration is required. To register, email Gebre at gberihuyn@wchc.on.ca, visit the website www.wchc.on.ca and click on the Register Online tab or call 519-664-3794 or 519-656-9025. Once you have registered, you will receive your invitation to participate closer to the date of the presentation. If you do not have internet access, you can attend the program using your telephone.

Unpacking UNPLANNED: Bringing Hope and Healing - Hamilton Right to Life and the Diocesan Family Ministry Office are partnering to bring you an online information session regarding UNPLANNED, the story of Abby Johnson, the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic director in the U.S., and how she changed her mind on abortion. The Zoom event will combine video, questions and discussion. Join us on October 27th from 7-8:30 p.m. as Mrs. Teresa Hartnett (MRE), Director of Family Ministry, will share how individuals and groups can spread the pro-life message. The session is free, but donations will be accepted during registration. Call Hamilton Right to Life at 905-528-3065.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - October brings cooler air and the final harvests of the season. It is a time when we see the beauty of nature and the creative mind of God in providing this world for each of us. Children spend a lot of time wishing for things they don't have, instead of focusing on what they do have, including love from family members, their faith community and friends and neighbours who care for them. During this month of thanksgiving, help your children focus on giving thanks for all they have by writing a daily gratitude journal. Each day they can write about the goodness of their day and at the end of the month they will have documentation about how much they have to be grateful for - both to God and everyone else who contributes to their lives.

VOCATION SEEDS – The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet, but shouted all the louder in prayer "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, call Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for October 16/17: \$2,887.25 Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$68,391.51 Thank you!



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