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

Office Administration: Donna Vollmer
Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday 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 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.

October 25, 2020

Thirtieth 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 26TH

Tuesday, October 27, 7:05 p.m.

+Sharon Soeder; Trudy & Ray Denomme

I plead with you – never, ever give up on hope, never doubt, never tire, and never become discouraged. Be not afraid. – St. John Paul II

Wednesday, October 28, 9:00 a.m.

+Ursula Hahn; Reta Ertel

Behold the true sign of a totally perfect soul: when one has reached the point of giving up one's will so completely that one no longer seeks, expects or desires to do but that which God wills. – St. Bernard

Thursday, October 29, 12:05 p.m.

+Bryon Vandenberg; Colleen Chapeskie & Brenda Brenner

Jesus does not ask for great achievements, only surrender and gratitude. – St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Friday, October 30, 9:00 a.m.

+Rina Milan; Phil & Debra Milan

No one reaches the kingdom of heaven except by humility. – St. Augustine

Saturday, October 31, 5:00 p.m.

+Rita Graff; Hermine Siefried

+Laura Logel; Marianne Kieswetter & Family

Sunday, November 1, Solemnity of All Saints Daylight Savings Time Ends

9:30 a.m. Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR October 31/November 1

First Reading: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 Second Reading: 1 Jn 3:1-3 Gospel Reading: Mt 5:1-12a

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., October 26 Rev. Frank Freitas

Tues., October 27 Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R. Felician Franciscan Sisters Rev. Chester Chmurzynski, C.R.

Fri., October 30 Rev. Pat Aiello, C.R. Sat., October 31 Rev. Patrick McKelvie, C.R.

MINISTRIES for October 31/November 1

Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt and Marianne Kieswetter 9:30am Adrian Miltenburg, Bill & Anne Hanley

Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin 9:30am Tom Fahey

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.

VOCATION SEEDS – "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind." Live in that love in the priesthood. Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Apple Juice, Mayonnaise and Ketchup

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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 myself 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.

We just received word from Classical Organ that our new organ will be arriving in the church in a very short time. We look forward to having this new instrument in our parish.

Father Peter

Dear Parishioners,

Our virtual rosary is on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. on Zoom. Everyone is invited to join us. Please share this invite with others.

If you wish to join us 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.

Please don't be concerned about zooming as 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 and I will connect with you.

Yours in Christ. Deacon Basil

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 an 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.

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.

ONE HEART AND ONE SOUL!

God bless our campaign, and our parish.

If you haven't already, you should be receiving your *One Heart, One Soul* Campaign packet in the mail soon. If you have any questions once you've read the material, feel free to contact the Parish Office at 519-669-3387. We ask you to continue to pray for the success of the campaign, and we will be grateful for any gift you can make!

How do you determine the pledge amounts that families are asked to consider? Ask amounts are based on a number of factors: planning study results, families' history of parish support, input from church leadership, and the understanding that for this to be successful it will require sacrificial gifts. In other words, if the amount you are asked for is more than you anticipated, it generally means that you have been a generous supporter of your parish and/or the Diocese and is an indication of the challenge we face in reaching our goal. Through this campaign, we are asking everyone to consider supporting their parish and the Diocese in a meaningful and sacrificial way and in a manner that works well for each family. It is not our intention to offend or embarrass anyone. The amount requested is NOT an expectation. It is an invitation to participate in this project at whatever level that is sacrificial and meaningful to you and your family. We will be grateful for any support

Does a campaign commitment result in tax benefits? Gifts to the campaign are eligible for charitable tax credits that can significantly reduce the amount of tax you pay. The specific tax credit received is based on the amount of your gift and your taxable income. Donors with specific questions regarding tax benefits should contact their attorney or financial adviser.

OCTOBER IS PREGNANCY & INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MONTH – The loss of a child through miscarriage is a devastating time for a family. Often, parents suffer in silence, unsure of where to turn for support. Resources can be found at the Diocese of Hamilton Office of Family Ministry website, on their Grief page.

47TH ANNUAL ELMIRA CHARITY AUCTION AND **COUNTRY MARKET 2020** in support of the Elmira and District Association for Community Living on Saturday, October 31st starting at 9 a.m. This year's auction will be conducted as an ONLINE auction and as a LIVE WEBCAST auction. Watch www.jantziauctions.hibid.com for the catalogue to be available. Highlights include: at least 130 quilts; furniture; farm items; baking; gift certificates; toys; household items and much, much more. Live only auction to start outside at approx 9:30 a.m.; Live and online of larger farm items to start at approx 10:30 a.m.; new furniture live and online to start at approx 11 a.m. and guilts live and online to start at approximately 12 noon. Live webcast auction to be held at EPAC 7400 Reid Woods Dr. outside of Elmira. Please call Wendy from Community Living at 519-669-3205 to reserve your seat (for \$20) for the live guilt auction, (one seat per family). ONLINE ONLY auction to open October 23rd and closes on October 31st at 9 a.m.

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 23rd to Sunday, November 1st 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.

FORGIVENESS – WHAT IS IT AND HOW TO DO IT?
Join us for an interactive workshop on Saturday,
November 7, 2020 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Mount
Carmel Spiritual Centre, Niagara Falls with presenter Anna
Racine. Cost is \$65 which includes lunch. To register
please call 905-356-4113 ext 4200 or email
reservations@carmelniagara.com. This interactive
workshop identifies the stumbling blocks to forgiveness, and
then provides positive, practical methods to work through
the anger, blame and resentment.

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.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - The present pandemic has brought changes that have been stressful for families, but it has also allowed for some positive developments. The pandemic has allowed most people and families more time to relax. Have you taken advantage of the extra time to build family ties? Playing board games or cards, going for walks or hikes, or joining, as a family, to engage with music or art - these are all great ways to relax together! Additional relaxing time also gives us more time to engage as a family in prayer - as we eat together, engage in nighttime bedtime rituals together, or as we take time to offer prayers for our family and those in need. Experiencing these positive times together will help to counteract the stress everyone feels thinking about the safety of those they love.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for October 17/18: \$3,388.75
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$111,904.25

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