St. Teresa of Avila Roman Catholic Church

October 29, 2023 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Office Hours:

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

Mass Times

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

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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

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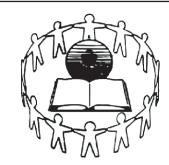
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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 30TH

Tuesday, October 31, 7:05 pm

- +Hermine Siefried: The McKeown Family
- +Danielle Pilon; Ray & Trudy Denomme

Peace is nourished from the rich fruitfulness of charity. It is the nursling daughter of faith, the supporting column of justice. Peace is a suitable pledge of future hope. – St. Peter Chrysologus

Wednesday, November 1, 9:00 am – Maryhill Solemnity of All Saints Day

Do not be afraid to be holy! Have the courage and humility to present yourselves to the world determined to be holy, since full, true freedom is born from holiness. – St. John Paul II

Thursday, November 2, 12:05 pm - The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

- +Joanne Moser; Louise Roe & Family
- +Sylvester Moser; Bill & Anne Hanley

O God, let me know you and love you so that I may find my joy in you. – St. Anselm

Friday, November 3, 9:00 am - Maryhill

He is the way, the truth and the life, that is, the bridge that leads you to the height of heaven. – St. Catherine of Siena

Saturday, November 4, 5:00 pm

- +Jane Goll; Margaret Ann Dietrich & Family
- +Lawrence Goetz; Margaret & Richard Read

Sunday, November 5,

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR November 4/5

First Reading: Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 Second Reading: 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 Gospel Reading: Mt 23:1-12

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., October 30 Rev. Vinko Nenadic Tues., October 31 Catholic Teachers Wed., November 1 Feast of All Saints

Thurs., November 2 Commemoration of All the Faithful

Departed

Fri., November 3 Rev. Louis DeVaugelas, L.C. Sat., November 4 Rev. Jerek Scherber, L.C.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 7:00 pm 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice – Church 7:00 pm R.C.I.A. Session (Maryhill)

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 November 4/5

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Sharon Both, Tim Baillargeon

9am Pat Ditner, Cheryl Dunn, Dianne McGuire

Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Marilyn Hurlburt 9am Carol & Ed Kieswetter, John Bruder

Lector Commentator
5pm Kevin Dupuis Patsy Pond
9am Tom O'Marra Larry Glofcheskie

Children's Liturgy

Nov 5 Anna Jakeman & Ken Gallipeau

Sign Ministry

Oct 30 John Bruder

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This week is All Saints Day on November 1st and All Souls Day on November 2nd. All Saints Day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. All Souls Day is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven. Let us pray to the saints for help and guidance in our lives. Let us also pray for all our deceased relatives and friends during this month of November.

We need new members for the 5 p.m. Choir. Please consider being a part of this important ministry. Call the Parish Office or talk to me if you are interested.

Have you noticed the new parking lot lines. We hope this helps the traffic to move in the lot more efficiently and guide you to where you can park.

Fr. Peter

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Isaac Peter Benbow**, son of Andrew and Michelle. We pray that
God will help him to grow in holiness and wisdom.

The KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are pleased to invite all parishioners, families, and friends, to a special, in-person, ceremony of admission and advancement, known as an **EXEMPLIFICATION**. This beautiful ceremony hearkens back to the simple ceremonies first approved in 1882 by our founder, Father McGivney, and advances new and existing members through the lessons of Charity, Unity and Fraternity required for the third degree.

It is scheduled for **Saturday, November 11**th beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the church, here at St. Teresa's. A special Remembrance Day Ceremony with 4th degree Knights in full regalia will also be a part of this service! A social event after the ceremony will be held in the hall so that everyone can meet our council's newest 3rd degree members and their families.

Come see firsthand, the organization that husbands, fathers, brothers, sons and friends are joining — the principles and values they are committing to, and why it matters.

We are looking for **COMMENTS REGARDING THE GARDEN PARTY**. What did you like, would like to see changed, etc. Please drop a note in the collection basket with your comments.

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 – 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.

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. 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.

The next set of groups/workshops presented by Woolwich Counselling Centre are below. Please see the bulletin board for more information about each group/workshop.

- GRIEF GROUP FOR SENIORS, no cost, in-person sessions on Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and December 6, 2023 from 1 – 2 p.m.
- CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP, adult session, no cost, in-person sessions on Thursdays, November 2,
 December 2, 2023, January 4, February 1, March 7,
 April 4, May 2, June 6, 2024 from 1 2 p.m.
- EMPOWERING THE GIRL IN ME, ages 10-12, in-person group on Thursdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023 from 4:30 5:30 p.m.

Learn more and register by calling 519-669-8651 or by emailing info@woolwichcounselling.org or drop by at 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira for any of the above groups/workshops.

It's again that time of year when we think of the <u>Woolwich</u> <u>Community Services</u> ("WCS") Christmas <u>Goodwill</u> <u>Hampers</u>. The need is always great. Please note there will be <u>NO</u> DOOR-TO-DOOR FOOD DRIVE.

Funds will need to be raised to replace the food, that would otherwise be put in the Goodwill Hampers. **WCS** will be replacing the food with Gift Cards for Foodland and Food Basics. Set out below is a brief summary of how this fundraising will be accomplished.

1. Area Service Clubs are joining together to offer you an opportunity to donate (either cash or by cheque) at certain

businesses in Woolwich Township on Friday, November 3rd and Saturday, November 4th, 2023.

- 2. As an alternative at any time before December 2nd, 2023:
- a) donations of cash, cheques or gift cards for **Foodland** or **Food Basics** will be accepted at **WCS**' office located at 5 Memorial Ave, Elmira; or
- b) online donations may be made at woolwichcommunityservices.org/ or by using the QR Code below for WCS; to donate please use dropdown under FUND as Christmas Goodwill (Food).



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH ANNUAL BAZAAR, 760 St. David Street North, Fergus is on Saturday, November 4, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. A hot lunch will be served from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Come and check out the baking, toonie table, religious articles, silent auction, local vendors, a Raffle Draw with a \$1,000 first prize and much more.

CONCERT BY HEART CRY ENSEMBLE: Heart Cry Ensemble is a local seventeen voice ensemble that seeks to preserve sacred choral music and encourage other believers. They will be sharing their program, "And Send Thee Help: Themes from Psalm 20", at St. Agatha Parish, 1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha at 3 p.m. on November 5, 2023. Free Admission. Everyone welcome!

CHRISTMAS BAZAARS

- St. Francis of Assisi Parish Christmas Bazaar, 49 Blueridge Avenue, Kitchener on Saturday, November 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Come and enjoy some baking, pies, crafts, raffles, treasures and famous Crepes!
- St. Joseph's Parish Centre, 1025 Wallace Avenue North, Listowel on Saturday, November 18th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Baking and evergreen arrangements for sale, lunch and a grocery hamper draw.

RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE – The truth is, all of us – no matter what our vocation is – are called to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind. Priests and consecrated persons don't necessarily do this better than anyone else. But for many, the thought of living for God rather than just ourselves, may be a new concept. Think about that, if you were a person who loved God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, what might that look like? Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca.

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, diaconate, religious or consecrated life. Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at vocations@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for Oct 14/15: \$2,792.85 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$42,230.96 Thank you!



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