

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

October 3, 2021
Twenty-Seventh
Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday 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
Debbie Yutzi
Fr. Peter Meyer
Ken Gallipeau
Dan Lauzon

Building & Finance Committee

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
Jason Adams Maria Diemert
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Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

Knights of Columbus

Frank McGuire

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

St. David Catholic Secondary School

4 High Street, Waterloo
519-885-1340 Website: stdavid.wcdsb.ca

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



✠ Please remember our benefactors and those who have left bequests in your prayers. ✠

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 4TH

<p>Tuesday, October 5, 7:05 pm +Pat Thompson; Marcella & Judy Furlong <i>It is a lesson we all need – to leave alone the things that do not concern us. God has other ways for others to follow him; all do not go by the same path. It is for each of us to learn the path by which he requires us to follow him and to follow him in that path. – St. Katharine Drexel</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, October 6, 9:00 am +Gertrude Scherrer; The Palach Family <i>O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there your cheerful beams. – St. Augustine</i></p>
<p>Thursday, October 7, 12:05 pm +Agnes Latuski; Carol & Ed Kieswetter <i>Mary's life shows that great deeds are accomplished through those that are the most humble. – Pope Francis</i></p>
<p>Friday, October 8, 9:00 am +Yvonne Lobsinger; Dianne Eagle 9:30 – 11:30 am Adoration <i>Christian joy is a gift of God flowing from a good conscience. – St. Philip Neri</i></p>
<p>Saturday, October 9, 5:00 pm +Frank Walter; William & Dorothy Walter +Murray Lorentz; Marianne Kieswetter</p>
<p>Sunday, October 10, 9:30 am Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Parish Community</p>

READINGS FOR October 9/10

First Reading: Wis 7:7-11
 Second Reading: Heb 4:12-13
 Gospel Reading: Mk 10:17-30

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 7:40 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Hall

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 4	Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis
Tues., October 5	Rev. Donald Wilhelm
Wed., October 6	Felician Franciscan Sisters, C.S.S.F.
Thurs., October 7	Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan
Fri., October 8	Rev. Valentine Onwunjiogu
Sat., October 9	Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean-Pierre

MINISTRIES for October 9/10

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Steve Pond
 9:30am Barb Vodicka

Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly
 9:30am Adrian Miltenburg, Ray Denomme, Anne Hanley

Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin
 9:30am Leona Weishar

Commentator

Phil Milan
 Lisa Denomme

Sign Ministry

Oct 4 Linda Bruder

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This week from October 3rd to 9th we mark NATIONAL CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE WEEK across Canada, recognizing the important work of Catholic Healthcare Organizations in our province and across Canada. Let us join together to pray for our health care workers and thank them for their contribution during this pandemic.

Adoration has begun on Fridays from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Come and spend some time with the Lord.

We are preparing to celebrate our Feast Day for St. Teresa at our weekend Masses on October 16th/17th.

Be assured of my continued support and prayer.

Father Peter

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Luke Dwight Lareau**, son of Marc and Sarah. *We pray that God will help him to grow in holiness and wisdom.*

The Knights of Columbus “ROSES FOR LIFE” CAMPAIGN is on **Saturday, October 16th at the 5 p.m. Mass and Sunday, October 17th at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.** The new redesigned Rose Lapel has a red and white rose. The red rose signifies our opposition to abortion while the white rose is a symbol opposing euthanasia. Please pick up a “Rose Lapel” and make a donation to support pro-life organizations.

C.W.L. EXECUTIVE MEETING ONLY – Tuesday, October 12th at 6:30 p.m. in the hall.

C.W.L. EXECUTIVE MEETING – Tuesday, November 9th at 6:30 pm in the hall.

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.

STATEMENT FROM THE CANADIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS ON RECONCILIATION WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF CANADA

The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich

history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally.

Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, they invited the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. They further committed to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

A delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous Peoples, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. The Bishops of Canada have pledged to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We are committed to continue the journey with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit www.cccb.ca.

COVID VACCINES – The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

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 (CWL)!

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 e-transfer 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.

The **40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2021 CAMPAIGN** has started and we need your help! The campaign runs from **Wednesday, September 22nd to Sunday, October 21st** 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.

Everyone is welcome to join the **LIFE CHAIN** on **Sunday, October 3rd**. In Kitchener from 2 – 3 p.m. at 2 Benton Street and King Street (Speaker's Corner). Call KW Right to Life 519-746-5433 or email kwrtl@golden.net for more information. In Elora from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. at Wellington Road 7 at the Canadian Reformed Church of Elora. Call Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or check www.guelphforlife.com for more information. In Fergus from 4 – 5 p.m. at the intersection of Highway 6 / Tower St. at Belsyde Avenue. Contact Guelph & Area Right to Life for more information.

The Dreisinger Funeral Home Social Club is hosting a **FLORAL WORK SHOP** on **Tuesday, October 5, 2021** from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Dreisinger Funeral Home, 62 Arthur Street South, Elmira. Cost is \$35 per person for materials. Space is limited. Please call 519-669-2207 to register. Masks are required. Physical distancing will be maintained.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre presents **BUILDING RESILIENCE ADULT WORKSHOP** on **Monday, October 4, 2021** from 7 – 8 p.m. To learn more and register call 519-669-8651 or email info@woolwichcounselling.org or visit 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira. This is a no-cost, virtual workshop. Join us to discover how to learn from and grow through adversity. This workshop will help build a resilience plan and learn new skills to apply to your life when stressful situations arise..

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for September 25/26:	\$3,469.25
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$66,966.51
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