# 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 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

#### **Building & Finance Committee**

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith Maria Diemert Rick Weishar Sebastian Siebel-Achenbach

#### 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.

October 31, 2021
Thirty-first Sunday
of Ordinary Time



#### 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



#### THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

#### MASSES FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1ST

#### Tuesday, November 2, No Mass

#### The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

God is a spring of living water that flows unceasingly into the hearts of those who pray. – St. Louis Grignion de Montfort

#### Wednesday, November 3, 7:00 pm

**+Vicky Rau**; Agnes Downey & Barry Norris Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God will make a person go to heaven. – St. Camillus de Lellis

#### Thursday, November 4, 12:05 pm

+Robert Slaney; Kay Bouzane & Family

We cannot have full knowledge all at once. We must start by believing; then, afterwards, we may be led on to master the evidence for ourselves. – St. Thomas Aguinas

#### Friday, November 5,

**9:00 am +Joyce Shantz**; Mary Jane & Robert Yaeger

9:30 - 11:30 am Adoration

The Lord delights in every little step you take. – St. Francis de Sales

#### Saturday, November 6, 5:00 pm

- +Rita Graff; Allan, Jane, Jeanne & Steve
- +Jean Litt; Bev & Anne McKeown

Sunday, November 7, 9:30 am

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**National Vocations Awareness Week Begins** 

**Daylight Savings Time Ends** 

**Our Parish Community** 

#### **READINGS FOR November 6/7**

First Reading: 1 Kgs 17: 10-16 Second Reading: Heb 9:24-28 Gospel Reading: Mk 12:38-44

#### 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., November 1 Feast of All Saints

Tues., November 2 Commemoration of All the Faithful

Departed

Wed., November 3 Deceased Priests of the Diocese of

Hamilton

Thurs., November 4 Rev. Aurimas Paulius Rudinskas

Fri., November 5 Rev. Adam Voisin Sat., November 6 Rev. David Wilhelm.

#### **MINISTRIES for November 6/7**

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

5pm Erl Andersen 9:30am Ron Stemmler

#### Hospitality

5pm Geoff & Kieran Kelly

9:30am Rick & Leona Weishar, John Bruder

Lector Commentator
5pm Armand Bertin Lisa Denomme
9:30am James Ready Wally Malcolm

#### **Sign Ministry**

Nov 1 Nancy Lucier

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

All Souls' Day is on Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Let us pray for our deceased relatives and friends. During the month of November the Book of Life is set up in the Church. Please remember to add the names of your deceased loved ones to the list so they will be remembered at the Masses during November.

Be assured of my continued support and prayer.

Father Peter

**C.W.L. EXECUTIVE MEETING** – Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the hall and **C.W.L. GENERAL MEETING** – Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> 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 <code>barbvodicka@gmail.com</code> 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 at 519-497-3162.

This is an election year! If anyone is interested in being nominated for an Executive position, please contact Barb.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre presents

- MINDFULNESS Virtual Adult Group on Mondays,
   November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & December 6, 2021 from 7 8:00 p.m.
- BOUNDARY AND ASSERTIVENESS SKILL-BUILDING 101 Virtual Adult Workshop on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 from 7 – 8:00 p.m.
- COGNITIVE BEHAVIOUR THERAPY (CBT) ANXIETY SKILLS GROUP Virtual Adult Workshop on Tuesdays, November 9, 16, 23, 30, December 7,& 14 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
- CONQUERING TEEN ANXIETY Teen Anxiety Group for ages 12-14 on Wednesdays, November 10, 17, 24, December 1 & 8 from 5 – 6 p.m. This is an in-person session.

These workshops are offered at no cost. To learn more and register email info@woolwichcounselling.org or call 519-669-8651 or visit 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira.

Woolwich Community Health Centre presents: 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 education 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.

MARRIAGE SUPPORT - Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. It is a practical program, where sharing is only between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend will take place

via Zoom, **November 4 - 7**. For information call 905-664-5212 or e-mail: teamrecine@gmail.com.

HEALING RETREAT – JOURNEY THROUGH THE CHALLENGES OF LIVING AND DEALING WITH CANCER on Thursday, November 11, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at Queen of Apostles, 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga. For more information or to register please call 905-278-5229 or email office@goa.ca.

It's again that time of year when we think of the <u>Woolwich Community Services</u> ("WCS") Christmas <u>Goodwill Hampers</u>. The need is always great. Once again this year, as a result of Covid19, there will be <u>NO DOOR TO DOOR FOOD DRIVE</u>. Instead 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 12th and Saturday, November 13th.
- As an alternative at any time before December 4th:

   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).



The **WOOLWICH YOUTH CENTRE** is open Mondays and Friday from 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. and every other Saturday from 12:30 – 4 p.m.

**VOCATION SEEDS** – "To love Him with all the heart and with all the understanding, and with all the strength" and "to love one's neighbour as oneself" are the greatest commandments. If you feel that God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, 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 23/24: \$2,877.25
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$68,401.51
Thank you!



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