

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

September 13, 2020

Twenty-Fourth
Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer
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Office Hours:
Monday to Thursday 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
Fr. Peter Meyer
Ken Gallipeau
Leona Weishar
Lisa Denomme

Building & Finance Committee

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Jason Adams Kris Kauk
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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

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-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14TH

Tuesday, September 15, 7:05 p.m.

+Michael Ready; James Ready & Deirdre Ward

The air that we breathe, the bread that we eat, the heart which throbs in our bosoms, are not more necessary for people that they may live as human beings, than is prayer for the Christian that one may live as a Christian. – St. John Eudes

Wednesday, September 16, 9:00 a.m.

+Kazimiera Poczatek; Estate

The person who fears the Lord has humility as their constant companion and, through the thoughts which humility inspires, reaches a state of divine love and thankfulness. – St. Maximus the Confessor

Thursday, September 17, 12:05 p.m.

+Jim Kieswetter; Ed & Carol Kieswetter

Charity is that with which no one is lost, and without which no one is saved. – St. Robert Bellarmine

Friday, September 18, 9:00 a.m.

Intentions of Wayne & Donna; Armand & Lucy Bertin

A seed will not grow without earth and water; and a person will not develop without voluntary suffering and divine help. – St. Mark the Ascetic

Saturday, September 19,

5:00 p.m. +Agnes Hoffarth; Carol Stortz

+Sharon Soeder; Steve & Patsy Pond

6:00 p.m. Baptism

Sunday, September 20,

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Our Parish Community

1:00 p.m. First Communion Mass

(For First Communicants and their families only)

MINISTRIES for September 19/20

Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Debbie Yutzi, Marilyn Hurlburt
9:30am Leona & Rick Weishar, Bill & Anne Hanley

Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin
9:30am Tom O'Marra

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Iris and I are preparing for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation sacraments that were to occur this past spring. We had a meeting with our First Communion families this past Wednesday in preparation for their First Communion this month. Please pray for these families.

I want you to be assured of our prayers as we cautiously start this new school year. We ask God to watch over our students, families and educators during this time. May our Mother Mary and St. Teresa continue to pray for us.

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.

Confessions are always available by appointment. Please contact us at any time.

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.

Our new organ is scheduled to arrive in September. You will be hearing more about the organ and the funds to cover the organ expense in the coming weeks.

Father Peter

READINGS FOR September 19/20

First Reading: Is 55:6-9

Second Reading: Phil 1:20c-24, 27a

Gospel Reading: Mt 20:1-16a

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

THU 7:00pm Confirmation Parent Meeting - Church

FRI 4:30pm-8:00pm Food Trucks

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., September 14 Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Tues., September 15 Rev. Jerek Scherber, L.C..
Wed., September 16 Ursuline Sisters, o.s.u.
Thurs., September 17 Rev. Michael Vanderbeek, L.C.
Fri., September 18 Rev. Todd Arsenault, L.C.
Sat., September 19 Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto, C.S.Sp.

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

Respect for the Planet's Resources – We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Meal Helper, Canned Fruit (not pineapple) & Jam

To support our publicly funded Catholic school in this difficult time, Bishop Crosby has recorded a brief **"WELCOME BACK" MESSAGE AND PRAYER TO OPEN THE SCHOOL YEAR.** It is available on the Diocesan Website.

PRAYER SHAWLS – If you or anyone close to you is seriously ill or experiencing difficult times, the Prayer Shawl Ministry has shawls and blankets which have been blessed and could provide comfort to any who could use supportive prayer. If you wish to have a shawl for this reason, please call Danielle Pilon at 519-669-2606 or the Parish Office at 519-669-3387.

FUNDSCRIP GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER! Donate to our fundraiser simply by purchasing and using gift cards for purchases you would be making everyday! Simply email your order to stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com and e-transfer funds to the same email address. During this time they are offering free mailing directly to your home so no need to wait for the first Sunday of the month. We can order anytime and you will receive the cards in the mail! Please see the Fundraiser page on our website for the order forms and all the details!

HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS WILL BE AT ST. TERESA'S Every Friday until Sept 25th! There will be two different trucks every week! Elmira Pentecostal Assembly will also have 2 different food trucks each Friday. See Heavenly Eats Facebook page for a list of trucks at each church. This will be for take-out only and social distancing practised for placing and picking up orders. Remember, it's not fast food, it's made to order. There will be lineups - please be patient, it's worth the wait! Be sure to pop by for some tasty take-out!

MEMORIAL FOR THE UNBORN – On Sunday, September 20th at 1:00 p.m., all are welcome to gather at the Garden of Grace for a prayer service to remember children lost to abortion. The garden is located on the property of the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph. If you would like to attend, please RSVP so that appropriate social distancing can be planned. Contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at info@guelphforlife.com or 519-836-6311.

The **40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2020 CAMPAIGN** is about to start but we need your help! Due to the events of 2020 (Covid-19) we are planning to fill all of the hours prior to the start of the campaign since we will not be able to have an in-person Opening Rally this year or sign-up sheets in the church. 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. More than half of all weekly hours are filled! Below are the open weekly hours.
Mondays: 8am, 9am, 10am, 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm and 5pm
Tuesdays: 8am, 12pm, 2pm and 3pm
Wednesdays: 9am, 11am, 1pm and 4pm
Thursdays: 8am, 12pm and 4pm
Fridays: 8am, 10am, 12pm and 4pm
Saturdays: 8am, 9am, 4pm, 5pm
Sundays: 9am, 10am, 11am, 12pm, 1pm and 2pm
Please email us at 40DaysKW@gmail.com to sign up for a weekly hour or go directly to our website at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener.

LIFE CHAIN – Sunday, October 4th, 2020

One hour could save a life! Join the pro-life prayer chain happening in over 1500 cities across North America. Local people of faith are invited to come together for an hour of peaceful prayer and witness. Join the Life Chain to pray for women and families who have been wounded by abortion, to pray for women to choose life, and to witness to the value of every unborn child. For information on COVID-19 safety measures or any other questions, visit guelphforlife.com or call 519-836-6311.

- Guelph: 1-2 p.m., Intersection of Speedvale Ave. and Woolwich St.
- Rockwood: 2-3 p.m., Main St. between Alma and Cobblestone at Waterside Park
- Fergus: 4-5 p.m., Highway 6 / Tower St. at Belsyde Ave.

The **MCC THRIFT & GIFT IN ELMIRA** is looking for **Greeters**. Responsibilities are to welcome customers to the store and keep the entrance area organized. For more information contact John Reimer at johnreimer@mcco.ca or call 519-669-8475.

St. Jerome's University is looking for a **DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS MINISTRY**. All information can be found on the following link: <https://www.sju.ca/director-campus-ministry>.

VOCATION SEEDS – “If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.” Consider service as a priest. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way we live in very real ways. Children are not immune to the impact that the virus has had and have probably heard more than we realize between media news clips and overhearing adults talking. This is a time to talk to your children and help them understand more fully what is going on in the world. Tell them that they can help themselves and others to be healthy and safe by following the instructions given by their parents, by teachers at school and by other adults who care for them. Remind them that our Catholic faith adheres to the fact that every person has dignity and each of us has to do our part to keep all people as safe as possible. As a family pray daily for all people to remain vigilant in their actions so we can defeat this virus. Empowering our children with concrete information and actions to undertake can prevent the development of very real anxieties from developing.

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSE – Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools is also 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, for printable registration forms or to register online.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for September 5/6:	\$3,163.00
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project:	\$110,709.25

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