St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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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

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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.

September 19, 2021

Twenty-Fifth

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



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20TH

Tuesday, September 21, 7:05 pm

+Lincoln Furlong; Marcella & Judy Furlong Nowhere other than looking at oneself in the mirror of the Cross can one better understand how much one is worth. — St. Anthony of Padua

Wednesday, September 22, 9:00 am

+Rita Graff; John & Linda Bruder

As soon as I believed there was a God, I understood I could do nothing else but live for him. My religious vocation dates from the same moment as my faith. God is so great. There is such a difference between God and everything that is not. – Bl. Charles de Foucauld

Thursday, September 23, 12:05 pm

+Ron Eagle; Irene Boatman & Family

Prayer is the best weapon we have. It is the key to God's heart. – St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Friday, September 24, 9:00 am

+Gertrude Scherrer; Teresa Day & Family

The Lord has turned all our sunsets into sunrise. – St. Clement

Saturday, September 25, 5:00 pm

+Imelda Schelter; The Family

Sunday, September 26, 9:30 am

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR September 25/26

First Reading: Nm 11:25-29 Second Reading: Jas 5:1-6

Gospel Reading: Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 7:35pm Confirmation Meeting - Church

THU 7:30pm Confirmation - Church

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle – We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Ham/Turkey/Chicken and Canned Fruit

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., September 20 Rev. Bernard Carroll, S.J. Tues., September 21 Rev. Eric Jensen, S.J..

Wed., September 22 Chancery Staff

Thurs., September 23
Fri., September 24
Sat., September 25
Rev. Rafal Dygula, S.Chr.
Rev. Stan Kuczaik, S.Chr.
Rev. Laszlo Amaszka

MINISTRIES for September 25/26

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Judy Furlong 9:30am Ken Gallipeau

Hospitality

5pm Geoff & Kieran Kelly

9:30am Ray Denomme, Rick & Leona Weishar

Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin 9:30am Maria Diemert

Commentator

Marianne Kieswetter Larry Glofcheskie

Sign Ministry

Sep 20 Nancy Lucier

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Please check out our library. It has been revamped.

We ask God to watch over our students, families and educators as they begin their new school year. May our Mother Mary and St. Teresa continue to pray for us.

The Parish Office is now open Monday to Friday.

Please pray for those students who will be receiving their First Communion and those receiving Confirmation in September. We ask that God will guide and lead them on their journey of faith.

Be assured of my continued support and prayer.

Father Peter

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The **40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2021 CAMPAIGN** is about to start but we need your help! The campaign runs from **Wednesday, September 22**nd **to Sunday, October 21**st across from Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, on the grass, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Sign up for vigil hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by calling Patrick at 519-748-5548.

HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS from 4:30

p.m. – **8:00 p.m.** – Each Friday there will be 2 trucks at 2 churches. The church rotation for September is St. Teresa and Elmira Pentecostal. Check Heavenly Eats or St. Teresa's Facebook page for a list of trucks.

ADORATION will commence again on **Fridays beginning October 1**st from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. If you are available on a weekly basis and would like to be put on our list or if you are able to be a spare please contact the Parish Office (519-669-3387) to have your name added.

The **LUNCH CRUNCH PROGRAM** will begin again on **Tuesday, September 7**th from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Mondays and will offer fresh fruits and vegetables for families registered with the food hamper program.

Join the PILGRIMAGE BY CAR TO THE SHRINE OF OUR SORROWFUL MOTHER, ST. AGATHA on Sunday,

September 19th. This year we will gather at the Shrine of the Seven Sorrows St. Agatha, Ontario. We are not walking. Please park at the St. Agatha Church parking lot. Washroom facilities will be available at the church. Bring a lawn chair as the Chapel will hold only a few people due to distancing requirements. The rest will be outside the Chapel. There will be a Archangels Sacramentals display with Our Lady of Sorrows Rosaries and Prayer cards plus much more. (Cash only). At the Chapel Shrine the Seven Sorrows Rosary will be recited at 2:45 p.m. led by the participants and followed by Mass at 3:00 p.m. The theme is "Spread Everywhere The Memory of My Dolors and the Passion of My Jesus". The celebrant is Fr. George

Nowak C.R. We are not walking this year, and will arrive and return by vehicle. Open to everyone. The Seven Sorrows Rosaries & Prayers are available for sale plus more items. Call 519-744-8330 for Information.

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the **NOVENA TO LITTLE ST. THERESE**, **SEPTEMBER 23**RD **TO OCTOBER 1**ST, **2021.** Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON NOB 2L0.

The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region Presents: AN INTERACTIVE VIRTUAL DISCUSSION ON STUDENT SUPPORT FOR ACTIVE PARENTS on Thursday, September 23rd, from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Although learning environments have shifted over the past year, parents everywhere have helped their children navigate these changes by taking a more active role in their education (kudos to you, parents). Now, as students go back to in-person learning this fall, you can ensure your child is more prepared - both socially and academically - by attending our upcoming event. The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region invites you to join in an interactive presentation and virtual discussion. We are bringing together experts from the region to share their best practices, ideas and identify learning needs to help students succeed moving forward from the pandemic influences/challenges. Take the first step in setting your child up for success this school year! Space is limited. Register today!

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Inzs9w4rQBe1im6xA6xlxg.

Guelph & Area Right to Life is hosting a **PRO-LIFE APOLOGETICS WORKSHOP** on **Thursday, September 30**th at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church Hall, 409 Paisley Road, Guelph. Presented by Michelle Caluag, Executive Director, Toronto Right to Life. Learn how to effectively articulate the pro-life position to friends, family and even strangers. Space is limited. Please R.S.V.P. by September 28th to attend either by calling 519-836-6311 or by emailing info@guelphforlife.com.

2021 MARIAN DAYS take place at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Church, Guelph, on the first Saturday of every month. Bishop Ustrzycki will be the visiting Bishop on **October 2**nd. Confessions are from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Mass and homily is from 10 to 11 a.m. Holy Hour is before the Blessed Sacrament – with the Rosary from 11 to 12 noon. Angelus and Benediction are at 12 noon.

KW LIFE CHAIN MEMORIAL DAY is on **Sunday, October 3**rd, **2021** from 2 – 3 p.m. at 2 Benton Street and King Street (Speaker's Corner). Bring your family, friends and hold a sign in silent prayer. Call KW Right to Life 519-746-5433 or email kwrtl@golden.net for more information.

The Woolwich Community Services **BACKPACK PROGRAM** took place the week of August 23rd and they were able to give out back-to-school supplies for 88 children and youth in Woolwich Township this year. Families booked a timeslot to come and choose their back-to-school supplies. If you have children or youth in need of back-to-school supplies there is still time! Please call Tina at 519-669-5139 ext. 224.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre presents **THE IMPORTANCE OF SELF-CARE ADULT WORKSHOP** on **Tuesday, September 28, 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. It is aimed at identifying key elements of care that can impact mood and overall well-being. Learn how to support your physical and mental health through day-to-day behavioural change.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre and Woolwich Seniors Association present PRACTISING POSITIVE THINKING AND GRATITUDE ADULT WORKSHOP on Wednesday, September 29, 2021 from 1 – 3 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. The skill of positive thinking and learning to practise gratitude can have a significant impact on your physical, emotional and mental health. With practice, you can add more positive thoughts to your life and enjoy the physical and emotional health improvements that come with optimism. Join us to explore how to benefit from positive thinking, and how to approach difficult circumstances in life from a healthier perspective.

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 difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except 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. Retrouvaille is offering their weekends by zoom offering more possibilities for engagement. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

VOCATION SEEDS – "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." This life is the ministry of a priest, sister, brother or deacon. If you feel God is calling you to one such vocation, call Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.



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