

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

September 20, 2020

Twenty-Fifth  
Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

**Pastor:** Rev. Peter Meyer  
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**Deacon:** Mr. Basil Markides  
**Office Administration:** Donna Vollmer  
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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

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith  
Jason Adams Kris Kauk  
Maria Diemert Rick Weishar  
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#### Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

#### Knights of Columbus

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#### Vocations

Contact [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca) or  
[www.resurrectionist.net](http://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](http://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-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>

**Tuesday, September 22, 9:00 a.m.**

**+Thomas & Evelyn Ward;** James Ready & Deirdre Ward

*To be saints is not a privilege for a few, but a vocation for everyone. – Pope Francis*

**Wednesday, September 23,**

**9:00 a.m. +Ursula Hahn;** Vince & Linda Spilek

**7:00 p.m. Confirmation**

(For Confirmandi and their guests only)

*Be content to progress in slow steps until you have legs to run and wings with which to fly. – St. Pius of Pietrelcina*

**Thursday, September 24, 12:05 p.m.**

**+Carol Stortz;** Colleen Weber

*God gives each one of us sufficient grace ever to know his holy will, and to do it fully. – St. Ignatius of Loyola*

**Friday, September 25, 9:00 a.m.**

**+Lucy Bertin;** Armand Bertin

*I know well that the greater and more beautiful the work is, the more terrible will be the storms that rage against it. – St. Faustina*

**Saturday, September 26, 5:00 p.m.**

**+Annamae Eckert;** Connie & Fred Kaster & Family

**+Clare Downey;** Louise & Richard Rouleau

**Sunday, September 27,**

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:30 a.m. Our Parish Community**

**10:45 a.m. Baptism**

**1:00 p.m. First Communion Mass**

(For First Communicants and their families only)

### MINISTRIES for September 26/27

#### Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Greg & Brent Goetz

9:30am Carol & Ed Kieswetter, Sharon Both, Ray Denomme

#### Lectors

5pm Connie Kaster

9:30am Joan Coutu

#### 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 Confirmation families this past Thursday in preparation for their confirmation on Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. 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 26/27

First Reading: Ex 18:25-28

Second Reading: Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5

Gospel Reading: Mt 21:28-32

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**THU 7:00pm Finance Committee Meeting** - Library

**FRI 4:30pm-8:00pm Food Trucks** (last one)

#### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

##### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., September 21 Rev. Francis Huybilla  
Tues., September 22 Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma  
Wed., September 23 Diaconate Formation Candidates  
Thurs., September 24 Rev. James McSharry  
Fri., September 25 Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei.  
Sat., September 26 Rev. Christopher Tracey

#### 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

**ONE HEART, ONE SOUL** – Our Diocese is asking each parish to be a part of the One Heart, One Soul Campaign. This campaign is to encourage and help parishes to participate in and support priorities in each parish. The campaign and its goal is to identify parishes' most pressing needs and invite parishioners to try to support these goals. We are assembling a team of volunteers from our parish to assist and help with this campaign. We pray for St. Teresa's as we prepare for this campaign.

**FUNDSCRIP GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER!** Donate to our fundraiser simply by purchasing and using gift cards for purchases you would be making every day! Simply email your order to [stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com](mailto: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!

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 23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>** 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](mailto:40DaysKW@gmail.com) to sign up for a weekly hour or go directly to our website at [www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener](http://www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener).

**LIFE CHAIN – Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://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 **2020 ELMIRA CHARITY QUILT AUCTION** will be hosted ON-LINE on **Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**. Donated items are required by **Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>** so they can be listed in time for the auction sale. Please call Wendy at 519-669-3205 ext. 228 to arrange a pick up. Check out [www.elmiraquiltauction.com](http://www.elmiraquiltauction.com) for more information on what they need for the auction.

The **MCC THRIFT & GIFT IN ELMIRA** is looking for volunteers to help out once per week on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. In order to practice physical distancing, we have the space to safely have one person volunteer at a time or two volunteers who live in the same household. The shifts are 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Please note that due to the risk factors for Covid-19 we are only able to accept volunteers who are 65 years and younger. We are looking for **cashiers and sorters**. The cashier volunteers help run the cash area and monitor how many people are entering the store. The sorter volunteers will mainly help sort clothing and household items. In some cases volunteers may even price the items for sale in the store. This position could potentially also help accept donations at the back door. For those who are interested in getting more information about volunteering at our Thrift Shop please call Leigh-Anne Quinn at 519-669-5139 or email [leighanne\\_wcs@yahoo.ca](mailto:leighanne_wcs@yahoo.ca).

**C.Y.O. CAMP MARYDALE AND C.Y.O. CAMP BREBEUF** are open for business. At C.Y.O. Camp Marydale experience nature together at Mount Hope, 20 minutes from downtown Hamilton, on the shore of Lake Niapenco. C.Y.O. Camp Brébeuf is at Rockwood, 15 minutes east of Guelph on the banks of the Eramosa River. What can we do? The short answer is anything. Have an idea you need help realizing? Reach out to us! Need a space for your one-time or regularly scheduled group meeting? Reach out to us! Have a question about our facilities and amenities? Reach out to us! Think there is no way your event can happen safely in the midst of the pandemic? Reach out to us! For questions or more info call 519-856-4671 ext. 103 or email [Brendan.Linwood@cyo.on.ca](mailto:Brendan.Linwood@cyo.on.ca).

**VOCATION SEEDS** – “Seek the Lord while he may be found...” While searching, listen; could it be that you are being called to serve 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](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

**EXPERIENCING STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE? THINKING ABOUT SEPARATION OR DIVORCE?** Is your marriage not what you hoped it would be? Are you, or a relative or friend, heading for a possible divorce? Retrouvaille is designed to help marriages regain their health. The Retrouvaille program is highly successful in saving marriages and in helping them to thrive. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a **weekend on October 23, 2020**. Please call 905-664-5212 or email: [Teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:Teamrecine@gmail.com) or visit the website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
Offertory collection for September 12/13:	\$4,541.00
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,724.64
<b>Total to Date Building Maintenance Project:</b>	<b>\$111,139.25</b>
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