

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter,
1851.

Pastor: Rev. David Lewis
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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 (4th 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 required.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please notify the parish office of
any 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

Andrea Visneskie
Barb Vodicka
Dan Ziegler
Fr. David Lewis
Lisa Denomme
Marianne Kieswetter
Marty Merlihan
Peggy Kelly
Phil Milan
Tim Baillargeon

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Fr. David Lewis Diane Smith
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Catholic Women's League

Mary Jane Yaeger

Knights of Columbus

Al Vodicka

Vocations

Contact www.vocationinfo.ca or
www.resurrectionist.net

New Parishioners

New parishioners, welcome!
Please register at the office or pick up
registration package in the church foyer.

Bulletin Deadline

Written submissions by Monday noon.

September 25, 2016

Twenty-Sixth Sunday
in 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



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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 26TH

Tuesday, September 27, 12:05 pm +Rose Downey; Anne Runstedler
Wednesday, September 28, 10:30 am – Barnswallow +Gladys Doherty; Estate
Thursday, September 29, 8:45 am +Cyril Stortz; Verna & Gord Walz
Friday, September 30, 8:45 am +Leo McArthur; Linda & John Bruder
Saturday, October 1, 5 pm +George Basler; The Morrissey Family
Sunday, October 2, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 am Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR October 1/2

First Reading: Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4
 Second Reading: 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14
 Gospel Reading: Lk 17:5-10

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 7:00pm **Finance Council Meeting** - Library
 7:00pm **5 p.m. Choir Practice** – Church
 8:00pm **9:30 a.m. Choir Practice** - Church

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:

Mon., September 26 Rev. Peter Coughlin
 Tues., September 27 Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., D.D.
 Wed., September 28 Pallottine Fathers, S.A.C.
 Thurs., September 29 Rev. Fernando Pinto, C.S.Sp.
 Fri., September 30 Rev. Robert Hetu
 Sat., October 1 Rev. David Walter

MINISTRIES for October 1/2

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Erl Andersen, Tim Baillargeon, Judy Furlong
 9:30am Carol Kieswetter, Charlotte Mueller, Rick Weishar

Hospitality

5pm Greg, Derek, Brent & Zachary Goetz
 9:30am Robert & Mary Jane Yaeger, Ron & Joyce Stemmler

Altar Servers

5pm Phil Milan, Felicia Groechel
 9:30am Katelyn Grosz, Isabella Maher, Ryan Diemert

Lectors

5pm Connie Kaster
 9:30am Wally Malcolm
 Maria Diemert

Commentator

Marianne Kieswetter
 Iris Miltenburg

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Oct 2 Mary Mercey

Sign Ministry

Sep 26 Ray Denomme

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Oct 5 Millie Schlupp

FOODBANK NEEDS

Flour and Jam

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That each may contribute to the common good and to the building of a society that places the human person at the center and that by participating in the Sacraments and meditating on Scripture, Christians may become more aware of their mission to evangelize.

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family, **Sawyer Matthew Bogoslawski**, son of Jason & Tanya, **Layla Rose Fuendling**, daughter of Luke and Allie, and **Wesley Alan Jakeman**, son of William & Anna. *We pray that God will help these children to grow in holiness and wisdom.*

Our **ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY FOOD DRIVE** will take place from **Monday, September 26th until Wednesday, October 12th**. We can have a significant impact on our region in an effort to make it hunger-free. Please consider once again donating to our Thanksgiving Day Food Drive.

The **CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM** for children in JK through grade 2 will begin on **Sunday, October 2nd** at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Registration for this program will take place on Sunday, September 25th at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. You may also register on Sunday, October 2nd when the program begins. The cost is \$5 per child which goes toward the children's bulletins and supplies for the program. Please consider volunteering to teach a Sunday or two for this worthwhile program.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION - FIRST RECONCILIATION

We are beginning our preparation for this very important Sacrament. If your child does not attend St. Teresa of Avila School, please call the Church office to receive an information package.

There will be a Parent Meeting on **Thursday, October 6th at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting will take place in the church. This will be when we share information for the parents regarding First Reconciliation preparation.

ADORATION will commence again on **Fridays beginning October 7th from 9:15 a.m. to Noon and on the 3rd Friday of the month from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.** For the 3rd Friday of the month evening there will be a sign-up sheet for each month beforehand to sign-up in the time slots. If you have any questions please call the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 or email StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com.

St. Teresa of Avila Church is planning a trip to go through the **HOLY DOORS AT SACRED HEART CHURCH, KITCHENER** on **Friday, October 7th** in celebration of the Year of Mercy concluding on the First Sunday of Advent. For those who wish to carpool at the church please arrive by 5:00 p.m. Arrival at the Sacred Heart Church should be shortly before 6 p.m. so we can participate in the rosary at 6 p.m. and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 6:30 p.m. We would then leave by 7 p.m. for dinner at a designated restaurant. There is a sign-up sheet for this event. If you wish to carpool, need a ride, can drive or wish to drive on your own please check the appropriate column on the sign-up sheet. Also indicate if you will join us for dinner.

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **FISH FRY** on **Friday, October 14th** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, Elmira. There will be two sittings – 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Take out will be at 6:00 p.m. Cost is Adults \$15.00; Children (12 & under) \$8.00; and Take Out is \$15.00. Advanced tickets are available until October 12th. Purchase your tickets after the Masses or at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m. or call (519) 669-3387. Don't miss out on this popular annual dinner. Proceeds go to the new roof at St. Teresa's Church.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help with the Fish Fry on October 13th and 14th. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Please consider volunteering your time to help out with this worthwhile event. Thank you.

The Catholic Women's League is hosting an **EVENING WITH ALICE SOEDER AND REV. JOSEPH DE VIVEIROS, C.R.** on **Tuesday, October 18th** following the 7:00 p.m. Mass in the hall. They will be talking about their trip to the Holy Land. Coffee and refreshments to follow. All parishioners are welcome to attend.



40 Days for Life will be holding a Campaign beginning on Wednesday, September 28th and ending on Sunday, November 6th. We will stand and pray and witness in front of Freeport Hospital for all life but especially the weakest and most defenseless, the child in the womb. Daily hours each day will be from 6 a.m. until 8 p.m. seven days a week. Please sign up for hours especially **on the day our Parish has "adopted", Monday, October 17th.**

NOVENA TO ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI - From **September 25th to October 3rd** join us in praying the Novena to St. Francis of Assisi. Francis is such a valuable saint for us to follow; he was a wealthy young man distracted by the temptations of the world, who, thanks to the grace of God, experienced a major conversion, and eventually became a shining example of the Christian life for us today. Visit the St. Francis of Assisi Parish website, www.stfranciskw.ca every day from September 25th to October 3rd to pray the novena, learn about St. Francis, and you may experience conversion and renewal of faith as he did.

Gale Presbyterian Church is hosting a special day to inform us about **TRUTH & RECONCILIATION** on **Sunday, September 25th**. The 10:30 a.m. worship will invite guest speaker: Lew Ford, Former Chairman of the National Presbyterian Church Committee on Truth & Reconciliation. A special evening program at 7 p.m. will feature The Good Hearted Women Singers and guest speakers: Kelly Laurila - Saami & Irish ancestry, Song Carrier of Mino Ode Kwewak n'gamowak, Learner of discourses in reconciliation, Theresa McGregor - Aanishnaabe kwe, Song Carrier, Bob Brown of the Waterloo Region Police Service, Retired Detective. There will be a free will offering to First Nations Ministry.

INTRODUCTORY PRESENTATION OF THE NEW HERITAGE EDITION OF THE SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE will take place on **Tuesday, September 27th** at Blessed Sacrament Parish at the Parish Centre from 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m. The Diocese of Hamilton is happy to announce the acquisition of a copy of the Heritage Edition of the Saint John's Bible. To commemorate the arrival of the first volume, Gospel and Acts, we invite you to an informal evening to come, see, learn and explore this work of art that unites an ancient Benedictine tradition with the technology and vision of today, illuminating the Word of God for a new millennium.

CARD PARTY on **Thursday, September 29th** at Sacred Heart Church Hall, Kitchener at 6 p.m. Admission is \$10. Doors open at 5 p.m. Lunch which is sausage on a bun with sauerkraut will be served at 6 p.m. followed by the card party and door prize draw.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE DAYS - FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS June through October - *Year of Mercy Indulgence will be granted to all who attend. St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Waterdown invites you to come and participate in the Marian Pilgrimage Days. This is to fulfill the request of Our Lady of Fatima to pray in a special way on the First Saturday of the month and in union with our Lady we will invoke God's blessings and graces for our family, Church and world. Each month, one of our Bishops will be here to celebrate the Mass and preach the homily. Begins at 10:00 a.m. with Mass, followed by the Outdoor Rosary, Confessions, Lunch, Stations of the Cross and concludes with Benediction to 2:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us for this day of prayer and devotion! ** Please bring your own lunch. The last one is on **Saturday, October 1st.**

You are invited to **THE GRAND OPENING OF ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY** on **Saturday, October 1st** with a guided tour of the campus, including the new buildings from 12 noon to 3 p.m., the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 3 p.m., the Feast of St. Jerome Eucharistic Liturgy at 4:30 p.m. and the Feast of St. Jerome Reception & Dinner at 6 p.m. with proceeds in support of student scholarships. For info, contact the Office of Advance at advancement@sju.ca or 519-884-8110 ext. 28277.

KW RIGHT TO LIFE MEMORIAL DAY LIFE CHAIN is on **Sunday, October 2nd, 2016** from 2 – 3 p.m. in front of Kitchener City Hall, 200 King St. W., Kitchener. Bring your family and friends and hold a sign. A short talk is at 2:50 p.m. We remember and pray for all concerned for the now over 4,000,000 babies that have died in Canada since 1970 from abortion. For information call 519-746-5433.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Lk 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you... For the measure you give will be measured back to you."

Offertory collection for September 17/18:	\$2,421.60
Average per envelope:	\$22.34
Electronic funds for the week:	\$1,028.75
(based on 4 Sundays per month)	
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,632.00
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