

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

September 27, 2020

Twenty-Sixth
Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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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
Sebastian Siebel-Achenbach

Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

Knights of Columbus

Adrian Miltenburg

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

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St. David Catholic Secondary School

4 High Street, Waterloo
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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 OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 28TH

Tuesday, September 29, 7:05 p.m.

+Caroline Hicknell; Marcella & Judy Furlong

Since God often sends us his inspirations by means of his angels, we ought frequently to offer him our aspirations through the same channel. Call on them and honour them frequently, and ask their help in all your affairs, temporal as well as spiritual. – St. Francis de Sales

Wednesday, September 30, 9:00 a.m.

+Bob Raible; Ed, Mary, Rob & Corby Burrows

The face is the mirror of the mind, and eyes without speaking confess the secrets of the heart. – St. Jerome

Thursday, October 1, 12:05 p.m.

+David Milne; Danielle Pilon

The splendor of the rose and the whiteness of the lily do not rob the little violet of its scent nor the daisy of its simple charm. If every tiny flower wanted to be a rose, spring would lose its loveliness. – St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Friday, October 2, 9:00 a.m.

+Dolly Hales; Theresa Cassel & Family

Invoke your guardian angels who will enlighten you and guide you. God has given them to you for your protection. Therefore, you should use them accordingly. – St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Saturday, October 3, 5:00 p.m.

+Douglas Furlong; The Family

+Bento Barcelos; Carlos Barcelos & Family

Sunday, October 4,

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Our Parish Community

10:45 a.m. Baptism

READINGS FOR October 3/4

First Reading: Is 5:1-7

Second Reading: Phil 4:6-9

Gospel Reading: Mt 21:33-43

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 7:35pm Parish Pastoral Council Mtg - Library

FRI 4:30pm-7:00pm Food Trucks

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., September 28 Rev. Mark Morley
Tues., September 29 Rev. George Nowak, C.R.
Wed., September 30 Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate,
S.O.L.I.
Thurs., October 1 Rev. Ireneusz Koziak, S.A.C.
Fri., October 2 Rev. William Trusz.
Sat., October 3 Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo

MINISTRIES for October 3/4

Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly

9:30am Ron Stemmler, Bill & Anne Hanley

Lectors

5pm Peggy Kelly-Kulaga

9:30am Wally Malcolm

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Our parish this past week has celebrated our first First Communion and Confirmation. Our families have received these special sacraments that had been postponed because of the pandemic. These families have been enriched by the life of Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Please continue to pray for these families.

We also have been able to resume our Baptisms this past week. It is a joy that we are able to again baptize our future leaders in the Catholic faith. May God watch over these families.

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.

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.

Father Peter

Dear Parishioners,

In these times of Covid-19 a few people have asked about **VIRTUAL** programs to help with spiritual growth and of course, community connections. I think this is a great idea and in time, can develop into spiritual studies and programs. I think the best way to start is to establish a list of people who would be interested. This will begin if there is only one participant. The **ROSARY** should only last about 30 minutes max.

If you would like to join, please email me at bmarkides@rogers.com and I can connect with you. I will need your email address when I send out the zoom link. In your email please state what is the best day and time that you think the virtual rosary should take place (i.e. morning, afternoon or in the evening. When I have received some ideas, I can set up the actual time it will take place, taking your preferences into account.

Please don't be concerned about zooming I will lead you through the process. Zoom is totally free and can be run on a computer or your cell phone and is safe and relatively easy to use.

If you are interested please send me an email, with your ideas and concerns.

Yours in Christ.

Deacon Basil

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Cecilia Gizella-Lynda Jakeman**, daughter of William and Anna. *We pray that God will help her to grow in holiness and wisdom.*

ONE HEART, ONE SOUL COMES TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA - The Diocese of Hamilton's *One Heart, One Soul* Campaign has raised more than \$16 million so far, with most of it benefiting parishes and the projects of their choosing. Our parish will kick off its participation in the campaign on October 17th-18th. For the next few weeks, we'll feature Frequently Asked Questions about the campaign, beginning with questions related to COVID-19. For the full list of FAQs and much more about the campaign, visit www.oneheartonesoul.ca.

Why are we doing the campaign? With the virus, shouldn't we be focused on other priorities? From the beginning, this campaign has been primarily about strengthening our parishes. Because of the pandemic, our parishes have even greater needs than when we started. Because the campaign is in place, we are in a better position than almost any diocese in North America to help our parishes recover from the blows suffered from COVID-19. The campaign offers parishes the opportunity to better fulfill their missions. There is no greater priority than that.

How can we ask for money from people who lost their job or are otherwise hurting financially because of the virus? We certainly are very sensitive to the struggles parishioners are facing, whether related to the virus or not. That's why we work with pastors and leaders at parishes to set and review request amounts. That process will be even more important throughout the rest of the campaign. It is not foolproof, though. Pastors do not know every parishioner's situation. But there is never an intention to be insensitive to a parishioner's suffering. Meanwhile, some parishioners are in a position to give now, and they want to help. The campaign gives them the opportunity to help and the confidence of knowing how the money will be used. Be assured that only those who are able to give are expected to do so, and ultimately the decision is between the donor and the Lord.

REACHING OUT OF ALL OUR WONDERFUL LADIES AT ST. TERESA'S CHURCH!

The Catholic Women's League invites you to become a new member or to renew your membership in our organization, founded in faith and service.

The month of October is our membership drive. With all that is going on around us, we are not able to plan or participate in quite a few of our annual events; however, in these times, it is nice to know our sisters are there for us, supporting one another and the community in modified ways but always in prayer.

The CWL is changing. A 5 year plan started in 2019 will review almost every aspect of the league and it is a very exciting time for the organization to grow and adapt. To join or renew, provide your name, address, phone number and email address along with a cheque for \$25 in a envelope marked CWL and mail it to the church or drop it in the church mailbox by the front door during the week or in the collection basket on the weekend. If you would like to e-transfer, please contact Barb.

As President of our council I extend a personal invitation to each of the ladies (and young ladies age 16 and up) in our parish to be a part of our CWL council. I am proud to say we are 90 members strong which is such a blessing when other councils have had to fold so I'm hoping you will join us. If you have any questions about the league please reach out to Barb Vodicka, CWL President, St Teresa of Avila, Elmira by telephone at 519-497-3162 or by email at barbvodicka@gmail.com.

HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS HAVE EXTENDED THEIR DATE – THEY WILL BE AT ST. TERESA'S Every Friday until October 23rd!

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** has started. If you are able to help please sign up. 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. 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.

One hour could save a life! Join the **PRO-LIFE PRAYER CHAIN** on **Sunday, October 4th**. This is happening in over 1500 cities across North America. All are invited to come together for an hour of peaceful prayer and witness. **In order to adhere to the new outdoor gathering limits, everyone who plans to attend must RSVP by Thursday, October 1st**, by emailing info@guelphforlife.com or calling Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311. Locally, Life Chain will be happening in Guelph (1-2pm), Rockwood (2-3pm), and Fergus (4-5pm). For more details on locations, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life.

VOCATION SEEDS – The invitation to serve often comes more than once; are you prepared with your answer? Consider ministry as a priest. Are you being invited? Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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| Offertory collection for September 19/20: | \$4,516.75 |
| Weekly parish operating expenses: | \$4,724.64 |
| Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: | \$110,759.25 |

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