St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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Office Administration: Donna Vollmer
Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

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 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 5, 2021

Twenty-Third

Sunday of Ordinary Time



St. Teresa of Avila School

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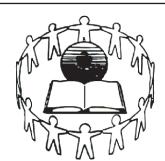
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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



MASSES FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6TH

Tuesday, September 7, 7:05 pm

Intentions of Elinor Martin; John & Linda Bruder You aspire to great things? Begin with little ones. – St. Augustine

Wednesday, September 8, 9:00 am

+Lucy Bertin; Armand Bertin

If according to times and needs you should be obliged to make fresh rules and change current things, do it with prudence and good advice. – St. Angela Merici

Thursday, September 9, 12:05 pm

+Frank Walter; Helen Palach & Family

To do the will of God one must renounce their own; the more one dies to oneself, the more one will live to God. – St. Peter Claver

Friday, September 10, 9:00 am

+Ron Eagle; Tony & Bernice Omahen

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, fountain of eternal life, your heart is a glowing furnace of love. You are my refuge and my sanctuary. – St. Gertrude the Great

Saturday, September 11, 5:00 pm

Intentions of Kevin & Christine Dupuis; Jeya & John Harrison

+Bryan Foerster; Barb Grosz

Sunday, September 12, 9:30 am

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR September 11/12

First Reading: Is 50:4c-9a Second Reading: Jas 2:14-18 Gospel Reading: Mk 8:27-35

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 6 Rev. Hayden Starczala Rev. Fulbert Jonas Ahouansou Wed., September 8 Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate,

S.O.L.I.

Thurs., September 9 Rev. Ian Duffy

Fri., September 10 Rev. Msgr. Dennis Noon Sat., September 11 Rev. Vernon P. Boyd, S.J.

MINISTRIES for September 11/12

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Peggy Kelly-Kulaga 9:30am Peter Antonello

Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt & Marianne Kieswetter 9:30am Leona & Rick Weishar, John Bruder

Lectors

5pm Peggy Kelly-Kulaga 9:30am Iris Miltenburg

Commentator

Judy Furlong Lisa Denomme

Sign Ministry

Sep 7 Sandi Hutchinson

their journey of faith.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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

Please note that when you come up for communion you can now say Amen on an individual basis. For those who wish to receive on the tongue, please come up to me only after all those who have received communion in the hand. For those needing assistance Father or the Eucharistic Minister will come to you.

We look forward to the move towards normal and look forward to seeing you at Masses.

Be assured of my continued support and prayer.

Father Peter

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Gwen Joanne McKee**, daughter of William and Sara. We pray that God will help her to grow in holiness and wisdom.

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.

Trinity United Church, Elmira is holding an **ONLINE AUCTION** beginning on Wednesday, September 1st, 2021.
As they prepare for their redevelopment project and the move to their temporary location at Floradale Mennonite Church, they have catalogued their excess "stuff" and are having an online auction. The auction will take place **from Monday, September 1**st **to 8**th. Check out this link and get ready to bid!

https://timewellauctions.hibid.com/catalog/302442/trinity-united-church-liquidation-in-elmira/

WALK FOR LIFE IN GUELPH & FERGUS - September

11, 2021 – It is not easy to stand up for life, but together, our voices can make a difference! Join the pro-life walkathons in Fergus or Guelph on Saturday, September 11th at 10:00 a.m. Walks are approximately 45 minutes long, and signs are provided. For more information and to R.S.V.P., visit guelphforlife.com or call Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311.

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.

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.

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.

ANNUAL ELMIRA CHARITY QUILT AUCTION in support of the Elmira and District Association for Community Living is on **Saturday, October 30**th from 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the Elmira Produce Auction Cooperative Inc., 7400 Reid Woods Drive, Elmira (subject to Public Health Guidelines at the time of the sale). The General and Quilt auctions will be held live at EPAC in tandem with an on-line auction hosted by Jantzi Auctions.

On **Friday, October 29**th there will be a silent auction. Join them for a yummy BBQ Beef Brisket Dinner from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. or until sold out. Take out is also available. Beef dinner tickets are \$15 in advance and a limited quantity will be sold at the door for \$18. A child's meal is \$5.

Items are needed. For the Quilt Auction – guilts, wall hangings and mats. Reimbursement is offered for the cost of the materials used in the projects. Receipts must be provided. For the Live & Silent Auctions – donate a product that you manufacture, or items that you sell, or perhaps a gift certificate for services that you offer in your business. For the New Furniture Area – new furniture items or any wood craft would be appreciated. For the Bake Table donations of homemade baking, preserves, produce, etc. Bring to the Elmira Produce Auction Cooperative (EPAC) on Friday after lunch or early Saturday morning of the sale. A monetary donation towards the operating expenses would be gratefully accepted - If you are able to support, please make the cheque payable to Elmira District Community Living and write 'for auction' in the memo section. A charitable income tax receipt will be provided for monetary donations. Call Wendy at 519-669-32105 ext 228 to arrange a pick-up. Delivery of items by Thursday, October 14th so items can be listed in the on-line auction would be appreciated.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR POSITION AVAILABLEGuelph & Area Right to Life is looking for a volunteer to help with their Caring Hearts, Sharing Hearts program, which connects local youth with seniors in their area, in order to help show students and seniors the dignity, worth and value

of all human life. The volunteer position requires a commitment of 5 hours per week, with volunteers having the option to complete most of the tasks from home, if desired. For more information, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311.



The Waterloo Catholic
District School Board is
currently accepting
applications for Lunch
Hour Supervision.
Please visit the website for
job details and application

criteria: www.wcdsb.ca

As the **K-W ECUMENICAL SERVICES WITH TAIZE SONGS** begin to resume, hopefully in-person, with some changes. The service will be on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at the same location, St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Kitchener. The format is going to change. Access to the space will be between 3 - 6 p.m. with music practice from 3 – 4 p.m., the service from 4 - 5 p.m. and concluding from 5 - 6 p.m. with time to enjoy a pizza supper and fellowship with others. The Tiny Home Take-Out program will include a chef-prepared, pay-as-you-can pizza for after the service. The prayer service will have a dedicated time that focuses on our children/youth.

To implement this new format we need a community of support as we begin this endeavour; a dedicated group of musicians/choristers to support the music-end of things; help to set up/take down the cross, candles, etc.; a small team of people who are willing to be trained to help in the kitchen and funds to pay for the cook (cost is about \$50-\$100/week).

On the 2nd Sunday in September (September 12, 2021) you are invited to join St. Mary's for their open house. This will be a great opportunity to meet Father Toby, get to know the space and try out their Tiny Home Pizza. We aim to formally start our services on the 4th Sunday in September (September 26, 2021), and then will continue on the 2nd and 4th Sundays thereafter.

VOCATION SEEDS – Did not God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a priest, religious or deacon. If you feel you have such a vocation, call Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for August 21/22: \$4,117.75
Offertory collection for August 28/29: \$3,190.00
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,724.64
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$66,421.51
Thank you!



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