

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

April 6, 2025
Fifth Sunday
of Lent

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Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.,
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

Colleen Jack Debbie Yutzi
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Vocations

Contact hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/
or resurrectionists.com/vocations

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

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. ✠

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 7TH

Tuesday, April 8, 6:15 pm Stations of the Cross (Led by the Catholic Women's League) 7:05 pm +Marilyn Audrey Campbell; Paul Shutts & Diane Smith <i>If we cannot restrain our tongue, or control our bodies and employ them in good works, can we complain that God does not call us to higher things? – St. John of Avila</i>
Wednesday, April 9, 7:00 p.m. - Confirmation <i>The fullness of joy is to behold God in everything. – Julian of Norwich</i>
Thursday, April 10, 12:05 pm +Eva Dreher; Millie & Al Selmenci <i>Let us not put off until the end of our life the care that we ought daily to take of our soul. – St. John Mary Vianney</i>
Friday, April 11, 9:00 am - Maryhill <i>We are born to love, we live to love, and we will die to love still more. – St. Joseph Cafasso</i>
Saturday, April 12, 3:30 – 4:30 pm – Confessions 5:00 pm +James & Lincoln Furlong; Marcella Furlong & Family +Vincent Kraemer; Nancy Kamberidis
Sunday, April 13, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR April 12/13

First Reading: Is 50:4-7
 Second Reading: Phil 2:6-11
 Gospel Reading: Lk 22:14-23:56

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR :

Mon., Apr 7	Rev. Deaha (John) Kim
Tues., Apr 8	Rev. Marian Gill, O.M.I.
Wed., Apr 9	Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada, C.S.J..
Thu., Apr 10	Rev. Jan Wadolowski, O.M.I.
Fri., Apr 11	Rev. Lajos Angyal
Sat., Apr 12	Rev. Joseph Durkacz

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE	7:35 p.m.	C.W.L. General Meeting with Pin Ceremony – Church & Library
WED	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation – Church

MINISTRIES for April 12/13

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm	Judy Furlong, Kieran Kelly
9am	Carol Kieswetter, Ken Gallipeau, Iris Miltenburg

Hospitality

5pm	Debbie Yutzi, Marilyn Hurlburt
9am	Pat & Linus Ditner, Paul Shutts

	Lector	Commentator
5pm	Tom O'Marra N – Lisa Denomme S – Kevin Dupuis	Marianne Kieswetter
9am	Ellen Siebel-Achenbach N – Tracy Kroetsch S – Will Jakeman	Mike Noel

Altar Servers

9am Daniel, Evan, Allyson

Children's Liturgy

Apr 13 Tessa Heffernan, Anna Jakeman

Sign Ministry

Apr 8 Sandi Hutchinson

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For the use of the new technologies – Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Peanut Butter, Jam, Canned Meat (Ham/Turkey/Chicken)

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The 5th Sunday in Lent highlights God's mercy and our journey in faith. The readings guide us to reflect on new beginnings and leaving behind our old ways.

Let us pray for our Confirmandi as they are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit that they will be strengthened for service to the Body of Christ this Wednesday.

We invite you to come to the Stations of the Cross on Tuesday evening at 6:15 p.m.

Father Peter

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Leonora Elowen Schull**, daughter of Alexander and Stephanie. *We pray that God will help this child to grow in holiness and wisdom.*

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: This Lent, please give generously. This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's Turn Debt into Hope campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. "As we work together toward a better world, your support strengthens not only our efforts, but the shared hope that we can bring about lasting change through solidarity and love. Your generosity is a testament to the boundless compassion that unites us all as one human family. May we continue to walk together in faith and action, creating a brighter future for all." — The Most Rev. Jorge Izaguirre, Bishop of Chosica, outgoing president of CEAS, a partner in Peru. Help create hope for and fulfil the dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection. Thank you for your solidarity!

If your family or friends are **in the hospital and need a visit** from Father Peter please **CALL** the Parish Office at 519-669-3387.

The Catholic Women's League will begin on **Tuesday, April 8th** with the **Stations of the Cross** at 6:15 p.m. **Mass** will be at 7:05 p.m. followed by the **C.W.L. Pin Ceremony** and a short **General Meeting**.

APRIL 6, 2025

CONGRATULATIONS to the C.W.L. members who will be receiving their **Service Pins on April 8th:**

Susan Goetz 5 yrs	Helen Scheel 40 years
Audrey Stemmler 5 yrs	Marg Ditner 45 years
Monique Conlin 10 yrs	Gloria Kittel 45 years
Alice Langdon 15 yrs	Carol Kieswetter 50 years
Lynn Wicks 15 yrs	Cecilia Moser 60 years
Jane Graff 30 yrs	Joyce Zinger 60 years
Carol Knarr 30 yrs	Anne Hanley 65 years

As you may be aware, St. Mary's Hospital Chapel had their final Mass a couple of weeks ago. We have **postcards with a picture of the chapel with a prayer on the back.** If you wish to have a copy of this postcard please contact the Parish Office and we will set one aside for you.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, April 12th – 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 15th at 7:30 p.m. (After Mass)

HOLY THURSDAY (Last Supper)

Thursday, April 17th - 8:00 p.m. (St. Boniface only)

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Friday, April 18th - 11:00 a.m. (St. Teresa)

- 3:00 p.m. (St. Boniface)

HOLY SATURDAY (Easter Vigil)

Saturday, April 19th - 8:00 p.m. (St. Teresa only)

EASTER SUNDAY (Resurrection of the Lord)

Sunday, April 20th - 9:00 a.m. (St. Teresa)

- 11:00 a.m. (St. Boniface)

We will have a **FOOD DRIVE** to support our local Food Bank from **April 2nd to April 17th.** Food may be dropped off during office hours or before or after Masses. This will be our Lenten project in support of those who are less fortunate in our community.

St. Teresa of Avila presents **THE GOSPEL** at St. Teresa of Avila Church on **Holy Thursday, April 17th** at 10 a.m. All are welcome. Costumes are designed by Pat Ditner and Cecilia Moser.

The C.W.L. are happy to announce our **TRADITIONAL TEA** on **May 3, 2025** at 1 p.m. Get your tickets soon to avoid disappointment! Limited number of tickets to be sold. Cost is adults \$25.00 and children 12 and under \$10.00.

Join us for an exciting evening of fun, fellowship, and giving back! On **May 29th,** bring your dabbers to the Elmira Lions Hall for an unforgettable night of **LIONS BINGO.** Our **Knights of Columbus Council is honoured to be one of the recipient organizations** for this special event, with proceeds directly supporting our mission to enrich both our church and community. Bring your friends and family—18 years of age or older—for a memorable night of bingo while making a meaningful difference. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the games begin at 7 p.m. We can't wait to see you there!

THE CANADIAN CATHOLIC BIOETHICS INSTITUTE is hosting a free webinar on **Religious and Spiritual Aspects of Suffering** on **April 9th,** from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Hosted by Dr.

Moira McQueen, the speakers are Charles Lewis and Dr. Ann Sirek. Well worth joining in! Register at bioethics.usmc@utoronto.ca.

GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 9th at 7 p.m. - 40 Days for Life Mass with Bishop Lobsinger at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate

May 8th - March for Life Bus from Guelph

May 24th - Walk for Life Guelph

Contact our office for any questions at (519) 836-6311 or email info@guelphforlife.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE IS HERE! Join 40 Days for Life in Guelph and be part of this worldwide movement of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. Join us in prayer outside the Guelph Cenotaph, Woolwich St. & Eramosa Rd., from **7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily until Sunday, April 13th.** Learn more and sign up at 40daysforlife.com/guelph or contact Joe Montague at info@guelphforlife.com.

MARYHILL PARK FISH FRY FUNDRAISER is at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre, 58 St, Charles St. E., on **Good Friday, April 18th** from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Eat in or take out. **NO RESERVATIONS.** First come- first served. Come and enjoy fresh cut fries and gravy, with haddock, coleslaw, tartar sauce and lemon. Cost is 1 pc. for \$16 or 2 pc for \$19. Children 12 & under may buy a half price 1 pc for \$8.00 dining in-house only! Hot Dogs also are available. Dinner includes coffee and tea. Dessert is extra. Cash only please! Call ahead take out orders are most welcome. For more information contact (519) 648-2939.

You are invited to a **LADIES TEA PARTY** on **Sunday, April 27, 2025** at 12:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Church, 1025 Wallace Avenue North, Listowel. Tickets are \$15 for ladies, \$10 for children 10 years and under. Contact Lisa at the Parish Office at 519-291-4400 ext. 0. Advance tickets only. Seating is limited so get your tickets early. **Deadline for tickets is Tuesday, April 15, 2025.**

COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE! Move from the daily routines of everyday life and journey in solitude and silence to deepen your relationship with God, creation and others.

The Enneagram for Organizational Leaders - May 1

Day of Quiet (lunch provided) - May 9

Prayer of the Senses - May 9

Birds Weekend Retreat - May 9-11

Songs of Joy, Doubt & Hope Weekend Retreat-May 9-11

Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or by calling 519-824-1250 ext. 266.

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