

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

August 25, 2024
Twenty-first Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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Office Hours:
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
Dianne Brenner Fr. Peter Meyer
Karolina Amos Ken Gallipeau
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Building & Finance Committee

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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.

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. ✠

TWENTY-FIRST & TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 26TH

Tuesday, August 27, No Mass <i>Nothing is far from God. – St. Maria</i>
Wednesday, August 28, No Mass <i>Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility. – St. Augustine</i>
Thursday, August 29, No Mass <i>Woe to me if I should prove myself but a half-hearted soldier in the service of my thorn-crowned Captain. – St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen</i>
Friday, August 30, No Mass <i>Let us clean hearts ready inside us for the Lord Jesus, so that he will be glad to come in. – St. Clements of Alexandria</i>
Saturday, August 31, 5:00 pm +Vreny Richarson-Aschwanden; Theres Wuersch +Gary Martin; Peter & Peggy Swainston
Sunday, September 1, World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR August 31/September 1

First Reading: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8
 Second Reading: Jas 1:17-18, 216-22, 27
 Gospel Reading: Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR :

Mon., Aug 26 Rev. Roque Concepcion
 Tues., Aug 27 Rev. Stanley Nwokeji
 Wed., Aug 28 Ursuline Sisters (o.s.u)
 Thurs., Aug 29 The Passion of St. John the Baptist
 Fri., Aug 30 Rev. Toby Collins, C.R.
 Sat., Aug 31 Catholic Youth

MINISTRIES for August 31/September 1

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Deacon Basil Markides, Kathy Zeigler
 9am Deacon Basil Markides, Sandi Hutchinson, Barb Vodicka

Hospitality

5pm Kieran Kelly, Geoff Kelly
 9am Ed & Carol Kieswetter, Paul Shutsa

Lector

5pm Tom O'Mara
 9am Maria Diemert

Commentator

Lisa Denomme
 Iris Miltenburg

Altar Servers

9am Andrew, Shawn, Hannah

Sign Ministry

Aug 26 Sandi Hutchinson

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For political leaders, We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

MASSES FOR WEEK OF September 2nd

Tuesday, September 3, No Mass <i>The only true riches are those that make us rich in virtue. – St. Gregory the Great</i>
Wednesday, September 4, No Mass <i>God is the living light in every respect. From God all lights shine. Therefore, we remain a light that gives off light through God. – St. Hildegard of Bingen</i>
Thursday, September 5, No Mass +Marian Haid; Marg Walter <i>We should not want to see or do anything that could not be done in the presence of God and of God's creatures. And so, we will always keep aware in imagination of being present before God. – St. Ignatius Loyola</i>
Friday, September 6, No Mass <i>Our actions have a tongue of their own. They have an eloquence of their own, even when this tongue is silent. For deeds prove the lover more than words. – St. Cyril of Jerusalem</i>
Saturday, September 7, 5:00 pm +Tobler Hans; Klara Looser & Theres Wuersch +Andy Schlupp; Gord & Cheryl Dunn
Sunday, September 8, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Our Parish Community 11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR September 7/8

First Reading: Is 35:4-7a
 Second Reading: Jas2:1-5
 Gospel Reading: Mk 7:31-37

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR :

Mon., Sept 2 Rev. John Yang
 Tues., Sept 3 Rev. Stefano Lee
 Wed., Sept 4 Our Parish Community
 Thurs., Sept 5 Rev. Brendan McGrath
 Fri., Sept 6 Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo
 Sat., Sept 7 Catholic Teachers

MINISTRIES for September 7/8

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Tim Baillargeon, Judy Furlong
 9am Ken Gallipeau, Ray Denomme, Pat Ditner

Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Marilyn Hurlburt
 9am John Bruder, Rick & Leona Weishar

Lector

5pm Kevin Dupuis
 9am Joan Coutu

Commentator

Judy Furlong
 Wally Malcolm

Altar Servers

9am Libby, Malaise, Allyson

Sign Ministry

Sept 3 Pat Ditner

FOODBANK NEEDS

Meal Helpers, Canned Fruit and Condiments.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I will be back from holidays on August 30th.

Also, let us pray for our students and teachers as they embark on a new school year, full of learning and fun.

Fr. Peter

Leona Weishar has a challenge for the whole Parish Family! If all the work sheets are filled; tags for Tombola; Adult and kids Penny Table are taken, she will let Father Peter **SHAVE HER HEAD!**

Garden Party Raffle Ticket returns may be handed in at the office, after Mass on the weekend or placed in the collection plate at the offertory on the weekend. Please place ticket stubs and money in a sealed envelope with your name and the amount enclosed on the envelope. All tickets, whether sold or unsold, must be handed in and accounted for as a condition of receiving the lottery license. Thank you.

This year's **GARDEN PARTY** will be held on Friday, September 13th and we need your help!

- **PLEASE SIGN UP** in the Narthex **to help at this year's Garden Party.** We have jobs for all abilities and ages.
- **Please choose a leaf from one of the trees in the Narthex for the children's penny table, adult penny table, the children's fishpond or tombola game.** We are looking for new items priced between \$15 - \$25 (for both adult and child penny tables). Please **deliver the items to the church by September 9th.** Any questions please email teresagardenparty2013@gmail.com or call the parish office.
- The **RAFFLE** is a big part of the fundraising for our parish. The **tickets are ready for pick up.** We ask you to return all **sold and unsold** tickets by September 9th. Thank you and please pray for good weather.
- **Please donate your gently used books** to aid in the fundraising at our Garden Party. Donations may be dropped off at the church after August 14th. Please **NO** magazines or DVDS.

We will be making a **PHOTO DIRECTORY OF OUR PARISH FAMILY.** We invite you to be a part of this endeavour. Please book your photo appointments. Each appointment is ½ hour in length and includes both the photography and viewing of the poses. There is also an opportunity for families to update and purchase photos for their families. Each family who has their photo taken will receive a free copy of the Photo Directory. One copy per household. This is a great way to get to know the families in the parish. For those going off to university/college, this is a great opportunity to get your family's photo taken before they leave. There will also be photography days from Tuesday, October 1st to Friday, October 4th from 1:30 – 8:30 and Saturday, October 5th from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Lecture in Catholic Experience Presents Michael Higgins **September 12th @7:00 p.m.** St Jerome's University -Notre Dame Chapel. The event is free, all are welcome. Register for tickets <https://www.sju.ca/event/lectures-catholic-experience-presents-michael-w-higgins-lecture-and-book-launch>

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. If you or someone you know is interested in RCIA or Adult Confirmation please contact the office.

SCOTLAND & NORTHERN ENGLAND TRIP, May 4-17, 2025: Join us for an almost all-inclusive 12-day trip to Stirling, Durham, Lake District, and the surrounding countryside. Open to members of the parish community and their friends and family. \$4,695; deposit due mid-July. See the parish website **Events Page** for itinerary and details. Organized by Joan Coutu with Fr. Peter.

Join us for **HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS** every Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **August 30th** the trucks will be at **Elmira Pentecostal Assembly** and **September 6th back here at St. Teresa of Avila.** Proceeds support our group of participating churches. Check out each week.

www.facebook.com/HeavenlyEatsFoodTrucks.

GREIF SUPPORT GROUP: Have you experienced the loss of a loved one, or another significant loss? Learn, share and socialize with others who are on a similar journey. St Michael's Catholic Church in Waterloo offers a monthly group that meets every second Wednesday (Sept 11, Oct 9, Nov 13, Dec 11). They also have a **Fall Grief Support Group** (Theory and Sharing) Wednesday evenings 7:00-8:30 p.m. Oct 16 - Nov 20, 2024. Contact St. Michael Catholic Church to register 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca

St. Joseph's Church is having a **Roast Beef Dinner** on Thursday, October 24 from 4-7p.m. **Take out only,** at St. Joseph's Parish Centre, 1025 Wallace Avenue North, Listowel. Adults \$25. **Pickup Times 4-5, 5-6, 6-7 p.m.** (Only 350 tickets available.) for tickets please call: Barb Beier 519-343-5815, John Bjman 519-291-3164, Judy Givens 519-291-2224, Mary Ann Hurst 519-418-8081, or the St. Joseph's Church Office 519-291-4400 ext. 0.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for Aug 3/4:	\$ 4,687.25
Offertory collection for Aug 10/11:	\$ 4,119.25
Offertory collection for Aug 17/18:	\$ 2,709.70

Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$86,643.64
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