St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

November 10, 2024 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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

Office Administration: Donna Vollmer Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

Office Hours:

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

(3rd Sunday of the month

Parents, please pick up Baptism

package from the parish office.

Please contact office six months

Please notify the parish office of

or in the hospital so they may receive the comfort of the Church's

loved ones who are housebound

Sacrament of Marriage

prior to desired date.

Marriage Prep offered.

Sacrament of the Sick

sacraments and prayer.

Outreach Ministry

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

or by request.

outside of Lent)

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



Colleen Jack Debbie Yutzi Dianne Brenner Fr. Peter Meyer Karolina Amos

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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

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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 contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know would like a visit by the Outreach Ministry.

(A Ministry of Visitation)

MASSES FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 11TH

Tuesday, November 12, 7:05 pm

+William & Betty Walter; Estate

We become saints not by violently overcoming our own weakness, but by letting the Lord give us the strength and purity of God's Spirit in exchange for our weakness and misery. – Thomas Merton

Wednesday, November 13, 9:00 am - Maryhill

In Greek, the root meaning of repentance is not the confession of a sin but a changing of the mind. - Tertullian

Thursday November 14, 12:05 pm

+Jerome McInnis: Mike & Doris Snelling

One word or a pleasing smile is often enough to raise up a saddened and wounded soul. – St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Friday, November 15, 9:00 am - Maryhill

In your search for a closer union with God, you must allow yourself no rest, no slipping back. – St. Albert the Great

Saturday, November 16, 5:00 pm

+Allen Hanley; Bill & Anne Hanley

+Marian Haid; Cecilia & Art Moser

Sunday, November 17,

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Maryhill 1:00 pm Baptism

READINGS FOR November 16/17

First Reading: Dn 12:1-3 Second Reading: Heb 10:11-14, 18 Gospel Reading: Mk 13:24-32

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR :

Mon., Nov 11 Remembrance Day

Tues., Nov 12 Rev. Msgr. Martin Vallely

Wed., Nov 13 Deceased Members of our Parish

Community

Thurs., Nov 14 Rev. Paul Patrick

Fri., Nov 15 Rev. Paul Niesiobedzki

Sat., Nov 16 Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean-Pierre

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

7:35 p.m. C.W.L. General Meeting - Library
 3:15 p.m. Altar Server Meeting - Church
 6:00 p.m. Saturday Soups On - Hall

MINISTRIES for November 16/17

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Judy Furlong, Kieran Kelly

9am Ron Stemmler, Sandi Hutchinson, Barb Vodicka

Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt, Debbie Yutzi 9am Rick & Leona Weishar, Paul Shutsa

Lector Commentator
5pm Kevin Dupuis Lisa Denomme
9am John Bruder Linda Bruder

Altar Servers

9am Nathan, Evan, Andrew

Children's Liturgy

Nov 17 Nikki Totten, Leona Weishar

Sign Ministry

Nov 11 Sandi Hutchinson

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For anyone who has lost a child – We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Kraft Dinner, Pasta, Pork & Beans, Tuna, Chunky Soup

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We encourage you to sign up for our Saturday Soups On which is being held next Saturday, November 16th after the 6 p.m. Mass. Come out and enjoy a bowl of soup that will warm you up and have some social time with other parishioners. A freewill donation is accepted to support the Tiny Homes Takeout Program. Hope to see you there.

AN INVITATION- Father Peter is inviting parishioners to join our Parish Council. This is an important service for our church community. If interested, please email the church.

THANK YOU for your generous participation in this year's **Baby Bottle Campaign**. Your congregation raised an incredible \$1,227.21! This amount is representative of 3 departure bins for a mother transitioning into independent living, or 5 welcome bins filled with thoughtful essentials that help our residents feel at home. And, of course, it helps provide many other vital services that Marillac Place offers to the mothers and children we serve. We truly appreciate your continued support and generosity. It is through efforts like yours that we can continue to offer life-changing assistance to those in need.

Hilary Zorgdrager, Office Administrator

There will be an **ALTAR SERVER MEETING** for those currently involved in the ministry on **Thursday, November 14**th at 3:15 p.m. Please join us at the church.

SATURDAY SOUPS ON coming soon! The C.W.L. is inviting everyone to Saturday Soups On, **November 16**th following Mass. There will be a variety of soups. No charge for the soup, but a freewill donation is appreciated which will go to Tiny Homes Takeout who support the unhoused in Kitchener. **Please sign the RSVP sheet** in the Narthex so we know how much soup to prepare. We welcome your contributions for dinner rolls, butter and cookies.

<u> ₩St. Teresa of Avila Christmas Pageant</u>



Sunday, December 22nd, after the 9 a.m. Mass with Coffee Sunday to follow. Children of all ages are welcome to participate!

Practices 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. in the church:

Sunday, December 1st,

Sunday, December 8th,

≜Sundav. December 15th

- Children do not need to know lines; they just need to wear the provided costume and look adorable!
- Please Register your child prior to November 15th,
 2024, email anna.gallipeaujakeman@wcdsb.ca, with the following information: Child's Name, Child's Size, Child's Grade, Guardian Name, & Guardian's Email.

C.W.L. MEMBERS - Please plan on attending our C.W.L. Memorial Mass on Sunday, November 24th at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, followed by coffee and refreshments in the hall. We honour all our sisters who sleep in Christ but especially the following members who have died in the past 3 years: Norma Hanley, Gloria Schoenhals, Jean Adams, Danielle Pilon, Teresa Day, Marian Haid, Elaine Forler, Betty Furlong, Theresa Cassel, Doris Runstedler, Rita Klein and Helman Mayne.

Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May our sisters rest in peace. Amen.

During the month of November, the **BOOK OF LIFE** is set up in the Church. Please remember to add the names of your deceased loved ones to the list so they will be remembered at the Masses during November.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE – Undrop and Due Diligence: A Necessary Connection – Peasant communities around the world have created UNDROP to enshrine and defend their rights. But can they really use it as they aspire to? What if a powerful foreign corporation contaminates the land water in a rural community in the Global South? What recourse do affected peasants have? How can they claim their rights? No Canadian company should be able to carry out such abuses with impunity. That is why we are calling for Canada to adopt strong mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence (mHREDD) legislation. Such a law would require Canadian companies to prevent, report, address and remedy human rights and environmental abuses across their global supply and value chains and provide the victims of any abuses access to justice in Canadian courts. No Canadian corporation would be allowed to stand in the way of people exercising their UNDROP rights.

Next week there will be cards available to sign asking the House of Commons to adopt human rights and environmental due diligence legislation.

Spread the word! Support Woolwich Community Services by purchasing your **HOLIDAY SMILE COOKIES** from **November 18**th – **24**th. Elmira Tim Hortons has partnered with Woolwich Community Services! WCS has been selected as the recipient of the proceeds from the Holiday Smile Cookie. 100% of proceeds from these uniquely decorated cookies are donated to WCS and Tims Camps. You can order cookies in bulk.

The Woolwich Counselling Centre presents **COPING WITH WORRIES FOR SENIORS** on **Tuesday**, **November 19**, **2024** from 1 – 2 p.m. at Gale Presbyterian Church. This workshop is presented by Janessa Bauman, (BSW/RSW), Woolwich Counselling Centre Clinical Program Coordinator. This 1-hour workshop will support you in learning practical

strategies for how to cope with the uncertainties we encounter as we age. Together we will discuss how to manage our fears and become more resilient as we enjoy life. Join us for lunch at 12:15 p.m. and stay for the workshop (lunch R.S.V.P. is needed by November 15th) or just join for the free workshop at 1 p.m. (no R.S.V.P. needed). For ham and scalloped potatoes lunch, R.S.V.P. to 519-669-2852 opt 3 or email richard.mcfadden@galespresbyterian.com. For dine-in arrive at 12:15 p.m. Cost is \$12 per person for lunch.

COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE! Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See our website at **loyolahouse.com** (under "Events").

Eating for Tomorrow: The Ecology & Politics of Food Weekend Retreat – Nov 22-24

The Creative Path: A One-Day Art Retreat – Nov 23 Advent 2024 Weekend Retreat – Nov 29- Dec 1 Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or call 519-824-1250 ext.

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As Catholic Christians our faith assures us that death is not the end...life has changed, not ended. Something beautiful is just beginning! We have hope and the promise of eternal life! As faithful Catholics, there are important spiritual matters we should include in our final wishes, for time of illness and when death occurs - particularly the importance of a Catholic Funeral. But what makes it a "Catholic Funeral"? Attend the ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ: THE CATHOLIC VIEW OF DEATH & THE BEAUTY OF THE CATHOLIC FUNERAL on Sunday, November 24th from 2-3:30 p.m.

MOUNT MARY OPEN HOUSE - All are welcome to the Annual Come Home for Christmas Festival at Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre on Sunday, December 1st, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. There will be activities for children including cookie decorating, face painting, and ornament making. We will also have refreshments and local vendors selling small items. There is no entry fee; however, we are accepting donations of unused socks, gloves, hats, scarves and soap for the DeMazenod Door Outreach Centre. For more information please visit www.mountmary.ca.

Join us at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Waterloo in the parish hall for making a **FRESH CHRISTMAS TABLE CENTERPIECE** on **Friday, December 20**th at 2:00 p.m. To register please contact via email Patrycja at pwiecek@hotmail.com. The cost of the workshop is \$50. Everything will be provided. Space is limited. You must be registered to attend.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for November 2/3: \$ 4,039.10 Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$91,995.76

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