St. Teresa of Avila Roman Catholic Church

October 27, 2024
Thirtieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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Office Administration: Donna Vollmer
Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

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
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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

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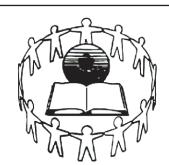
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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 OCTOBER 28th

Tuesday, October 29,

The spirit of humility is sweeter than honey. – St. Anthony of Padua

Wednesday, October 30,

With God nothing is empty of meaning. – St. Irenaeus of Lyons

Thursday, October 31,

All that should be sought for in the exercise of prayer is conformity of our will and the divine will, in which consists the highest perfection. – St. Teresa of Jesus

Friday, November 1,

One cannot possibly understand the teaching of the saints unless one has a pure mind and is trying to imitate their life. – St. Athanasius

Saturday, November 2, 5:00 pm

- + Dianne Hibbs Connie Voll
- + Gary Martin Peter & Peggy Swainston

Sunday, November 3, Thirtieth-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR November 2/3

First Reading: Dt 6:2-6 Second Reading: Heb 7:23-28 Gospel Reading: Mk 12:286-34

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR :

Mon., Oct 28 Rev. Thomas Manninezhath C.M.I.

Tues., Oct 29 Rev. Grayson Hope. Wed., Oct 30 Consecrated Virgins Thurs., Oct 31 Very Rev. David Reitzel

Fri., Nov 1 All Saints Day

Sat., Nov 2 Commemoration of All the Faithful

Departed

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE 6:00 p.m. First Reconciliation Prep - Hall

MINISTRIES for November 2/3

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kieran Kelly, Steve Pond

9am Barb Vodicka, Pat Ditner, Ray Denomme

Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Marianne Kieswetter

9am Linus Ditner, Ed Kieswetter, Adrian Miltenburg

LectorCommentator5pmConnie KasterPatsy Pond9amMike NoelJoan Coutu

Altar Servers

9am Shawn, Isabelle, Allyson

Sign Ministry

Oct 28 Linda Bruder

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion, and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Canned Vegetable/Canned Tomatoes

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The garden party was a great success again. Our profit was \$8,279.13. Thank you all.

I ask for your prayers as I am on retreat, from Sunday to Friday.

This week is All Saints Day on November 1st and All Souls Day on November 2nd. All Saints Day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. All Souls Day is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven. Let us pray to the saints for help and guidance in our lives. Let us also pray for all our deceased relatives and friends during this month of November.

Father Peter

YOUTH CHOIR – We are looking for new members to join our Youth Choir. We practice 2 Wednesday evenings a month @ 6:00 pm. in the Church. We sing on the 4th Sunday of the month. Please email or call the church for more information. Thanks Iris & Ken.

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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Volunteer Schedule Sunday November 3 – Teacher #1 Anna Jakeman Teacher #2 Ken Gallipeau

SATURDAY SOUPS ON coming soon! The CWL is inviting everyone to Saturday Soups On, **November 16** following Mass. Like last year, 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

C.W.L. Ladies - it's time to renew your membership! Membership fees remain the same at \$40 and can be dropped off at the office, placed in the collection or you can e-transfer to stteresaelmirafund@gmail.com indicating "For C.W.L. Membership". Not a member? This is a personal invitation for all women of our parish ages 16 and up to join us!

Five Top Reasons to Belong to the C.W.L.:

- 1. We pray for one another as part of a sisterhood.
- 2. We are Catholic women of faith and action.
- 3. We care for the less fortunate through charitable works.
- 4. We support our parish.
- 5. We are a powerful force of Catholic women across Canada lobbying the government for social justice.

If you have any questions, please contact Barb Vodicka 519-497-3162.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE – Reaping Our Rights Campaign- Defending Peasants Rights- UNDROP concerns everyone involved in small-scale agriculture, livestock rearing, pastoralism, fishing, forestry, hunting or gathering. It also includes Indigenous, nomadic, seminomadic, and landless people. Why **UNDROP**? In addition to the effects of climate change, peasant, Indigenous and rural peoples around the world face numerous challenges. These include land grabbing, resource theft and air, water and soil contamination by profiteering corporations. UNDROP aims to make **people**, not profit, the driving force of food systems and obliges states to protect communities' rights to; equality, land, food, social security and justice. For more information visit www.devp.org/act

ST. JOSEPH PARISH ANNUAL BAZAAR in FERGUS -Saturday November 2nd from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. There will be a Toonie Table, Bake Table, Silent Auction and Bazaar Raffle. First prize in the Raffle is \$1000.00, and the Silent Auction has more than 100 items to bid on! There will be a Café to purchase beverages and sweets, as well as Vendors in the Narthex. Come out and enjoy the fun and do your Christmas shopping early. Admission is FREE

CHRISTMAS GOODWILL HAMPERS- It's again that time of year when we think of the Woolwich Community Services ("WCS") Christmas Goodwill Hampers. The need is always great. Please note there will be NO DOOR-TO-DOOR FOOD DRIVE.

Funds are needed to replace the food that would otherwise be put in the Goodwill Hampers. WCS will be replacing the food with Gift Cards for Foodland and Food Basics. Set out below is a brief summary of how this fundraising will be accomplished.

- 1. Area Service Clubs are joining together to offer you an opportunity to donate (either cash or by cheque) at certain businesses in Woolwich Township on Friday, November 1 and Saturday November 2, 2024.
- 2. As an alternative at any time before December 9th, 2024: A. donations of cash, cheques or gift cards for Foodland or Food Basics will be accepted at WCS' office located at 5 Memorial Ave, Elmira; or

B. online donations may be made at woolwichcommunityservices.org/ or by using the QR **Code** below for **WCS**. To donate please use the dropdown under FUND as Christmas Goodwill (Food).



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") for more information on these upcoming retreats:

- NEW! The Treasure Within Us All One-Day Retreat - November 20.
- NEW! The Examen of Consciousness One-Day Retreat – November 21.

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

GRIEF SUPPORT WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN The workshop will be held at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. West in Hamilton, from 1 - 4 PM on Monday, November **18th**. There will be no charge for the workshop as a result of the combined support of the Hamilton Diocese and Arbor Memorial. Our speaker for the day will be Andrea Warnick, MA, RN, RP, Education Director, Co-Owner & CEO AWC Grief Support. Andrea is a Registered Psychotherapist and Registered Nurse whose passion lies in helping individuals, families and communities support people of all ages who are grieving an illness or death in their lives. The death of a significant person represents one of the most powerful disruptions in all aspects of a child or youth's emotional existence. In this workshop Andrea will share practical and creative grief support strategies that can be used by anyone who finds themselves in the position of supporting a grieving child or youth, whether personally or professionally.

A TASTE OF DIVERSITY - Local bounty on your plate! November 13 - Service 5pm, Dinner 6pm Tickets -\$100/dinner Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre

Enjoy the warmth of great food and better community this November...sign up for the Taste of Diversity dinner today! Register online at https://ignatiusguelph.ca/event/taste-ofdiversity-dinner-2024-11-13/ or by calling 519-824-1250 ext.

FRESH CHRISTMAS TABLE CENTERPIECE FRIDAY. **DECEMBER 20, 2024 - AT 2:00 PM**

To register please contact via email Patrycja at pwiecek@hotmail.com, cost of workshop is \$50, everything will be provided. Please join us at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Waterloo in the parish hall. Space is limited. Must be registered to attend.

TINY HOMES TAKEOUT is in need of men's and women's winter clothes, coats and boots. If you have any items they may be dropped off in the cloakroom in the green box. Thank you for your generosity.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for Oct 19/20: **Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:** Thank you!

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