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:

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.

October 6, 2024 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Teresa of Avila School

75 First St. W., Elmira 519-669-8843 Fax 519-669-4509

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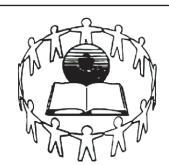
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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 OCROBER 7TH

Tuesday, October 8, 7:05 pm

- +Karen Bertin Kay Bouzane
- +Laverne Logel John & Linda Bruder

Oh, Mary, what a companionship yours is. Truly, truly, being familiar with your is by far better than life. - St. Gertrude the Great

Wednesday, October 9, No Mass

We shall be God's temples, and God will be the God within us. - St. Ignatius of Antioch

Thursday, October 10, 12:05 pm

+Jerome McInnis- Mike & Sharon Noel

Beware of angling for compliments, lest you lose God's favour in exchange for people's praise. - St. Jerome

Friday, October 11,

Love the truth sincerely to attain that peace and harmony on which depends all real prosperity. - St. John XXIII

Saturday, October 12, 5:00 pm

+Bill van Trigt - Emmeline Runstedler & John DeWildt

Sunday, October 13, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary **Time**

Our Parish Community 9:00 am

11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR October 12/13

First Reading: Wis 7:7-11 Second Reading: Heb 4:125-13 Gospel Reading: Mk 10:17-30

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., Oct 7 Rev. Jeff Bergsma Tues., Oct 8 Rev. Michael Anderson

Wed., Oct 9 Felician Franciscan Sisters (C.S.S.F.)

Thurs., Oct 10 Rev. Patrick Ohl Fri., Oct 11 Rev. Laszlo Amaszka Sat., Oct 12 **Chancery Staff**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Practice - Church FRI All Day - Faith Day for the School Board

MINISTRIES for October 12/13

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Patsy & Steve Pond

Iris Miltenburg, Rick Weishar, Sandi Hutchinson 9am

Hospitality

Grea Goetz. Sue Goetz 5pm

Mike & Sharon Noel. Ron Stemmler 9am

Lector Commentator Connie Kaster Judy Furlong 5pm Leona Weishar John Bruder 9am

Altar Servers

9am Divine, Isabelle, Hanah

Sign Ministry

Oct 7 John 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

Our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive is here, please give generously if you can to those in our community who are less fortunate.

On Thanksgiving Day, we bow our hearts to You in prayer. We give You thanks for all You have done, mostly for the gift of Jesus Christ, Your Son. For beauty in nature, in which we see Your Glory, for joy and health, friends, and family.

Father Peter

GARDEN PARTY WRAP UP MEETING- We will be having a meeting on TUESDAY OCT 8TH following Mass at 7:05.

JOIN US FOR ST. TERESA OF AVILA FEAST DAY. **OCTOBER 15TH –** You are invited to join us on Tuesday Oct. 15 at 7:05 p.m. for the Mass Celebrating our Patron Saint, St. Teresa of Avila. All are invited to attend this mass and please join us for a small reception afterwards.

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.

ALTAR SERVERS – This important Ministry is looking for new Altar Servers to join our team. Young people from Gr. 3 and up are encouraged to become part of this Ministry. Please email or call the church office for more information. Thank you, Allyson, Evan & Iris

R.C.I.A.- The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the way adults come to learn about and experience the Christian life, specifically our Roman Catholic tradition, and become initiated into the life of our Church through the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please contact the parish office if you would like to join our R.C.I.A classes starting soon.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Volunteer Schedule Sunday October 13 – Teacher #1 Anna Jakeman Teacher #2 Ken Gallipeau

Our ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY FOOD DRIVE is from Saturday, October 5th until Wednesday, October 9th. We can have a significant impact on our area, in an effort to make it hunger-free. Please consider once again donating to our Thanksgiving Day Food Drive.

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL FISH FRY -The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a FISH FRY on Friday, October 25, 2024, at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Take-out will be at 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Please bring your own take-out bag as we are trying to save the environment. Advanced tickets are available until October 23rd. Purchase your tickets by calling Rick Weishar at 519-577-5928, or at the Parish Office between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. (Tuesday to Thursday) or by calling the Parish Office at 519-669-3387. Cost is Adults \$20.00; Children (aged 6 to 12 years) \$12.00; Children (aged 5 and under) Free; and Take-out is \$20.00. Don't miss out on this popular annual dinner. Proceeds go to the Knights of Columbus Charities.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help with the Fish Fry on October 24th and 25th. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Please consider volunteering your time to help out with this worthwhile event. Thank you!

TINY HOMES TAKEOUT is in need of men 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.

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 <u>all</u> 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.
- 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 or Deirdre Ward

at h094.cwlpresident@gmail.com.



From **September 25th to November 23rd, 2024**, we invite you to be part of the annual 40 Days for Life campaign, a powerful global movement to pray for the end of abortion. Over these 40 Days, you are encouraged to join us in Prayer and Fasting for an end to abortion, as well as attending a Peaceful Vigil outside of Freeport Hospital for an allocated hour between 7am- 7pm, 7 days per week. Your prayers can make a difference. We encourage volunteers to consider Adopting-an-Hour a week, which is only 6 hours over the span of the campaign, and this would greatly help the campaign. It is vital to spread the message that human life is sacred, to provide hope to those in need, and have laws that protect innocent babies.

<u>Opening Rally:</u> Join us on Tuesday September 24th at 7pm at Sacred Heart Parish, 66 Shanley Street, Kitchener. Parking is found at the back of the church. We will begin

with Holy Mass at 7pm. Refreshments and sign-ups will follow; please come to pray for the success of this Campaign and the protection of all life in our country! You can also **sign up** for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing/calling Evy at 40DaysKW@gmail.com or 519-607-1550. It is very important that you sign up BEFORE coming to the vigil site as this prevents one of the committee members from driving out to the site.

It's again that time of year when we think of the <u>Woolwich</u> <u>Community Services</u> ("WCS") Christmas <u>Goodwill</u> <u>Hampers</u>. 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.
- 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)**.



Join us for **HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS** every Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **October 11**th **they** will be here at **St. Teresa of Avila.** Proceeds support our group of participating churches. Check out each week. www.facebook.com/HeavenlyEatsFoodTrucks

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 upon registration. See the parish website **Events Page** for itinerary and details. Organized by Joan Coutu with Fr.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for Sept 21/22: \$ 3,401.80 Offertory collection for Sept 28/29 : \$ 2,454.80

Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$85,881.59

Thank you!

Peter.



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