

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

February 4, 2018  
Fifth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter,  
1851.

**Pastor:** Rev. David Lewis  
**Office Administration:** Donna Vollmer  
**Sacramental Preparation:** Iris Miltenburg

**Office Hours:**  
Monday to Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm



### Mass Times

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 9:30am

### Weekday Masses

see inside

### Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30pm - 7:00pm,  
or by request.

### Sacrament of Baptism (4th 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

Andrea Visneskie  
Barb Vodicka  
Frank McGuire  
Fr. David Lewis  
Leona Weishar  
Lisa Denomme  
Marty Merlihan  
Peggy Kelly  
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#### Vocations

Contact [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca) or  
[www.resurrectionist.net](http://www.resurrectionist.net)

#### New Parishioners

New parishioners, welcome!  
Please register at the office or pick up  
registration package in the church foyer.

#### Bulletin Deadline

Written submissions by Monday noon.

### St. Teresa of Avila School

75 First St. W., Elmira  
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### 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



✠ Please remember our benefactors and those who have left bequests in your prayers. ✠

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>

#### **Tuesday, February 6, No Mass**

*Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you. All things are passing away. God never changes. – St. Teresa of Avila*

#### **Wednesday, February 7, 10:30 a.m. – Heritage House**

**+Kazimiera Poczatek**; Estate

*If you do not live what you believe, you will end up believing what you live. – Archbishop Fulton Sheen*

#### **Thursday, February 8, No Mass**

*I suffered a lot but my soul was singing! I have nothing left, but I still have my heart and with that I can always love. – Bl. Chiara Luce Badano*

#### **Friday, February 9, No Mass & No Adoration**

*What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God. – Hans Urs von Balthasar*

#### **Saturday, February 10, 5 p.m.**

**+Walter Kieffer**; Sharon Both

**Intentions of Marcella Furlong**; Furlong Family

#### **Sunday, February 11, 9:30 a.m.**

#### **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Our Parish Community**

#### **READINGS FOR February 10/11**

First Reading: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46

Second Reading: 1 Cor 10:31-11:1

Gospel Reading: Mk 1:40-45

#### **THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**TUE – FRI** Office Closed

**WED** 7:00 pm **5 p.m. Choir Practice** – Church

7:00 pm **9:30 a.m. Choir Practice** – Seminar

#### **HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR**

##### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Mon., February 5	Rev. Jozo Grubisic, O.F.M.
Tues., February 6	Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.
Wed., February 7	Discalced Carmelite Fathers
Thurs., February 8	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Fri., February 9	Very Rev. John Van Hees
Sat., February 10	Rev. Ilija Petkovic

#### **MINISTRIES for February 10/11**

##### **Eucharistic Ministers**

5pm Phil Milan, Kieran Kelly, Kevin Dupuis  
9:30am Charlotte Mueller, Pat Ditner, Sandi Hutchinson

##### **Hospitality**

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Jodi Sereres, Greg & Brent Goetz  
9:30am Ray Denomme, Sharon Both, Paul & Diane Shutts

##### **Altar Servers**

5pm Natalie Pfanner Groves  
9:30am Katelyn Grosz, Evan Grosz, Andrew Zettler, Casey Dronick

##### **Lectors**

5pm Peggy Kelly  
9:30am Lisa Denomme  
Isabella Maher

##### **Commentator**

Colleen Weber  
Iris Miltenburg

#### **Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)**

Feb 11 Marianne Kieswetter

#### **Sign Ministry**

Feb 5 Sandi Hutchinson

#### **Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister**

Feb 7 Colleen Weber

#### **LIVING ROSARY INTENTION**

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

#### **FOODBANK NEEDS**

Juice Boxes and Canned Fruit (not pineapple)

**BAPTISMS** – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Olivia Anne Mainland**, daughter of Brian and Valerie and **Asher Bruce St. Louis**, son of John and Leanne. *We pray that God will help these children to grow in holiness and wisdom.*

**PRAYER SHAWL DISTRIBUTION** – Our Prayer Shawl Ministry will have blessed shawls available for you to pick up for people you know who need support through prayer for difficult times in their lives. The shawls will be in the library and this will give you the chance to meet our crafters who work throughout the year to make them. This will be done next weekend (**February 10/11**) after each Mass. We ask you tell us the name of the recipient because we will then continue to pray for that person.

**SPECIAL LENTEN PROJECT** – St. Teresa Parish, Elmira will be offering a series of talks on Medieval Art and Architecture during the season of Lent on Thursday evenings, **February 15<sup>th</sup>**, **February 22<sup>nd</sup>**, **March 1<sup>st</sup>** and **March 8<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. in the church. The talks with power point visual display will be given by Dr. Joan Coutu, Professor of Art History at the University of Waterloo. Please join us.

**Beginning in the New Year** we will be offering **SESSIONS COVERING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH** for those who would like to explore the possibility of being Baptized and/or Confirmed in the Catholic faith. These sessions would be especially helpful to those who often attend Mass with their families and would like to receive Communion with them. No commitment is called for to begin. The sessions are offered as an opportunity to explore. All of the teachings are summaries of the essentials of our new Catechism. If you are interested please speak to Father David or pick up a registration form from Donna in the parish office.

Join the **"CALL FOR CONSCIENCE"** in the Hamilton Diocese - The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to participate in ending the lives of their patients. The Diocese of Hamilton wants to protect the rights of all healthcare workers. Visit [www.CanadiansforConscience.ca](http://www.CanadiansforConscience.ca) to learn more, write a letter to your Provincial Member of Parliament and consider adding your e-mail address to the Conscience Coalitions

network to receive future information. We all need to join the "Call for Conscience" taking place between February 6th and March 31st. Next week a letter will be in the bulletin for you to sign and send to our MPP, Mr. Michael Harris for Kitchener-Conestoga.

**SENIOR'S STUDY SESSION - *Amoris Laetitia*** - This 5 week study session will give you an opportunity to study carefully Pope Francis' encyclical. The course consists of a series of well-made videos and discussions facilitated by Mr. David Dayler, Director of the Office for Discipleship and Parish Life. Pope Francis invites us to study this document carefully when he says, "...I do not recommend a rushed reading of the text. The greatest benefit...will come if each part is read patiently and carefully..." Join us we explore this important text for Adult Faith Formation. The course will be held at the Chancery Office, Mondays 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. on **February 5, 12, 26, March 5 and 12**. Cost is \$35.00. To register contact Monica at [mverin@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mverin@hamiltondiocese.com) or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2238.

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors is on **Thursday, February 8, 2018** from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 Charles Street East, Maryhill. Admission is \$2 per person. Lynn Weimer will talk about "Advanced Care Planning – a Conversation Worth Having". For information contact Joan Haid at 519-648-2742 or [jehaid@netflash.net](mailto:jehaid@netflash.net).

**VALENTINE DINNER** – It is a Rolled Rib Dinner to be held on **Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>** with two sittings – 5 & 7 p.m. at the Maryhill Heritage Community Centre Complex. Cost is \$20 per person, children aged 7-12 is \$10 and 6 years and under is free. For tickets please contact Mike Runstedler at 519-648-3394, Mary Campagnaro at 519-822-9287, Tim Vegh at 519-648-3952 or Doug Zinger at 519-648-2939. Please note: if you call for tickets please indicate the time you would like to attend. Advance tickets only! Sponsored by the Maryhill Knights of Columbus and the St. Boniface C.W.L.

You are invited to a **VALENTINE'S DANCE** hosted by the Campus Ministry at St. Jerome's University on **Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>** from 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo. This dance is in support of the renovations to Notre Dame Chapel. The evening will include music provided by Michael Kelly alternating with DJ Dennis Wallace. It promises to be a fun evening! A light lunch will be provided. The cost of tickets is \$20 for adults and \$15 for students. For tickets please contact Martha Fauteux, Director Campus Ministry at [mfauteux@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:mfauteux@uwaterloo.ca) or by phone at 519-884-8111 ext 28215.

**2018 FEBRUARY POTATO BLITZ** in support of the House of Friendship - the **SUPERMARKET BLITZ** is on **Saturday, February 10, 2018** from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Volunteers are needed at local grocery stores collecting spuds and donations. If you can help contact Dawn at 519-742-8327 ext. 119 or [specialevents@houseoffriendship.org](mailto:specialevents@houseoffriendship.org).

**MEDICALLY ASSISTED SUICIDE AND EUTHANASIA IN CANADA: WHERE ARE WE NOW? WHERE ARE WE GOING?** Join us on **February 11, 2018** from 2 - 4 p.m. at St. Michael's, Waterloo. Ever wonder what is happening in Canada with respect to medical assistance in dying (MAID) and euthanasia in Canada from a faith-based Christian perspective? And what does the medical community have to say about this newly adopted practice? How are we to respond and talk about medically assisted suicide and euthanasia since it has become legal in Canada just over a year ago? Find out the facts. This interactive workshop (lots of time for questions and comments) will present the current laws and medical practices, as well as future proposed developments, so that we are able to understand better the issues at stake from a Christian faith-based perspective. Presenters: Father David B. Perrin, Ph.D., Professor at St. Jerome's University, Waterloo and teaches courses in Christian Ethics and Spirituality and Dr. Donna Ward, M.D., a physician with expertise in Palliative Care and End-of-Life medical issues.

**PANCAKE DINNER** – Join us on **Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>** from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. at Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre. Free will offering. Menu of pancakes, syrup, sausage, dessert, coffee or juice. Everyone welcome.

**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS** – Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 10, 2018** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster on the bulletin board for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

**VOCATION SEEDS** – Jesus created much excitement in His day through His preaching, teaching, and healing. Today, the Church communicates that same wonder and grace by those active in priesthood, religious life, and lay ministries. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext 2246 or email [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

**Lk 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you... For the measure you give will be measured back to you."**

**Offertory collection for January 20/21: \$2,613.15**

**Average per envelope: \$23.69**

**Electronic funds for the week: \$1,143.75**

**(based on 4 Sundays per month)**

**Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,632.00**

**Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$25,475.00**

**Thank you!**

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