

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

January 21, 2018  
Third 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  
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Fr. David Lewis  
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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  
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



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

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>

<b>Tuesday, January 23, 7:05 p.m.</b> <b>+Pat Wintermeyer;</b> Sharon & Peter Both & Family <i>Christ made my soul beautiful with the jewels of grace and virtue. I belong to him whom the angles serve. – St. Agnes</i>
<b>Wed., January 24, 10:30 a.m. – Barnswallow Place</b> <b>+Bernard Dietrich;</b> Estate <i>Have patience to walk with short steps until you have wings to fly. – St. Francis de Sales</i>
<b>Thursday, January 25, 12:05 p.m.</b> <b>+Clare Logel;</b> Cheryl & Gord Dunn <i>Make me a captive, Lord, then I shall be truly free. – St. Augustine</i>
<b>Friday, January 26,</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Delphine Stemmler;</b> Donna & Wayne Vollmer <b>9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.</b> Adoration <i>The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church. – Tertullian</i>
<b>Saturday, January 27, 5 p.m.</b> <b>+Andreas Schwarz;</b> 5 p.m. Choir <b>+Susan Gohl;</b> Mary Ellen & Chip Sherrer
<b>Sunday, January 28, 9:30 a.m.</b> <b>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Our Parish Community</b>

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

Jan 28 Debbie Yutzi

#### Sign Ministry

Jan 22 Lucier Family

#### Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Feb 7 Colleen Weber

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.

#### FOODBANK NEEDS

Family-Sized Juices and Crackers

The **CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS** are available in the hallway for pick-up. If you or anyone in your family experienced one of the Sacraments in 2017, they are a souvenir for your tree at home - Baptism (silver), First Communion (blue/white), Confirmation (red), Marriage (gold), RCIA (green) or death (purple).

#### 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.

**MULTICULTURAL MASS** - The Diocese of Hamilton will be hosting our annual Multicultural Mass on **Sunday, January 21, 2018** at 1:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. This is sure to be a beautiful celebration. All are welcome to join us for the Mass and the social event which will take place in McNally Hall after the celebration. There will be performances by various ethnic groups, as well as a chance to sample some delicious foods from around the world.

**COME JOIN US TO FIND THE "KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS"** - "Keys" is a nine week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. **starting January 23<sup>rd</sup>**, at St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Ave., Kitchener. The cost is \$45.00. For more information, please call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

**REEL JUSTICE – A JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL** - The Church teaches that social justice is an integral part of evangelization, a constitutive dimension of preaching the Gospel, and an essential part of the Church's mission.

#### READINGS FOR January 27/28

First Reading: Dt 18:15-20  
 Second Reading: 1 Cor 7:32-35  
 Gospel Reading: Mk 1:21-28

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**TUE** 7:35 pm **Finance Meeting** - Church  
**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., January 22	Rev. Timothy Higgins
Tues., January 23	Rev. Romelito Guillen
Wed., January 24	Order of Preachers, O.P.
Thurs., January 25	Rev. Francis Hubilla
Fri., January 26	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Sat., January 27	Rev. Duy Van Nguyen

#### MINISTRIES for January 27/28

##### Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Patsy & Steve Pond, Erl Andersen  
 9:30am Carol Kieswetter, Matthew Griffin, Iris Miltenburg

##### Hospitality

5pm Brent & Greg Goetz, Mike & Doris Snelling  
 9:30am Joyce & Ron Stemmler, Diane & Paul Shutts

##### Altar Servers

5pm Alexis Zettler, Andrew Zettler  
 9:30am Ellen Siebel-Achenbach, Michèle Siebel-Achenbach,  
 Matthew Deyell, Reid Deyell

##### Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin  
 9:30am Isabella Maher  
 Joan Coutu

##### Commentator

Phil Milan  
 Tom Fahey

There are so many issues of injustice all over our world. It is hard to know where to begin. Start by joining us for a movie and discussion evening at a parish near you! The January Screening of Romero is at St. Michael Parish, 240 Hemlock St., Waterloo on **January 26, 2018** from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

The next **LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE** is on **Friday, January 26, 2018** at Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre, St. Jerome's University at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Austen Ivereigh, DPhil, a writer, journalist and commentator will speak about "Communicating The Church In The Age Of Francis".

There is a **FUNDRAISER IN SUPPORT OF MENNOHOMES** on **Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>** at Floradale Mennonite Church. The roast beef dinner is at 5:30 p.m. followed by a **RESCUE JUNCTION CONCERT** at 7 p.m. Tickets for the dinner are \$30, \$10 for children 10 and under. The concert is open to all with a freewill offering. Floradale Mennonite will double offering collection (up to \$5,000). Pre-purchased dinner tickets are required for dinner only. Tickets are available from Floradale Mennonite Church from Monday to Friday from 9 a. to 1 p.m. at 519-669-2861.

Join us for **GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE LIGHT CHAIN** on **Sunday, January 28, 2018** at 7 p.m. in front of Guelph City Hall or the **KW RIGHT TO LIFE CANDLE-LIGHT PRAYER VIGIL** at 6 p.m. in front of Kitchener City Hall (skating rink). All are invited to gather for prayer and witness marking the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision that struck down Canada's abortion law. With a striking display of numbers, this event will raise awareness of the nearly four million lives that have been lost through abortion in Canada. Please take an hour to remember and help our community realize the value of each and every human life! For information, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311/info@guelphforlife.com or contact KW Right to Life at 519-746-5433/kwrtl@golden.net.

**ADORATION FOR LIFE** – Come, let us adore Jesus in the Eucharist – Console His Heart Wounded by abortion and sins against the Sanctity of Life. Come join us on **Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018** from 7:00 – 8:15 p.m. at St. Teresa of Avila Roman Catholic Church, 44 Leonard Street, Kitchener and **Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018** from 11 a.m. – 12 noon at St. Mary Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Roman Catholic Church, 56 Duke Street West, Kitchener (side entrance). Call KW Right to life for more information at 519-746-5433 or how you can start an Adoration for Life at your church. Prayer and fasting are the first and most effective weapons against the forces of evil. Mt 4:1-11

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, February 1, 2018** from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com.

**LOVE, HENRI - Letters on the Spiritual Life Presentation** will be held on **February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018** at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Parish, 175 Emma St, Guelph. Join us for this rendition of **Henri Nouwen's** letters and an introduction to the celebrated author and pastor by archivist Gabrielle Earnshaw. This is a presentation with musical accompaniment and is sponsored by The Henri Nouwen Society, Loyola House, and Holy Rosary Parish (Guelph). Freewill offering.

KW Right to Life **CHARITY DINNER GALA** - Culture vs. Christ: In Search of Authentic Love with Jonathon Van Maren on **February 8, 2018** at the Polish Legion Hall, 601 Wellington St. N., Kitchener. Dinner is at 6 p.m. The speakers begin at 7 p.m. There will be a cash bar and silent auction. Tickets are \$40. You can obtain tickets at [kwrtl.ticketleap.com/love](http://kwrtl.ticketleap.com/love) or KW Right to Life Office at 519-746-5433.

Steve Bell will be in Toronto on **Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>** hosting his **FOR THE JOURNEY DAY-RETREAT** at Knox Presbyterian Church, 630 Spadina Avenue, Toronto. The cost is \$129. Visit [www.stevebell.com/events](http://www.stevebell.com/events) for more information.

**VOCATION SEEDS** – The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext 2246 or email [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).

**MARRIAGE TIP** - Love flourishes when we understand the three critical components of every relationship: firm commitment, excellent communication skills and disciplined conflict resolution styles. Love demands that we model these three skills for our spouse and includes a healthy dose of forgiveness when either one of us doesn't manage a situation quite right. When we work on building these skills together, our love can't help but to grow strong.

#### 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 6/7:	\$2,518.60
Average per envelope:	\$25.48
Offertory collection for January 13/14:	\$2,873.50
Average per envelope:	\$27.89
Electronic funds for the week: (based on 4 Sundays per month)	\$1,143.75
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,632.00
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project:	\$23,265.00

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