

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

March 11, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Lent

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter,
1851.

Pastor: Rev. David Lewis
Office Administration: Donna Vollmer
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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
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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
registration package in the church foyer.

Bulletin Deadline

Written submissions by Monday noon.

St. Teresa of Avila School

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St. David Catholic Secondary School

4 High Street, Waterloo
519-885-1340 Website: stdavid.wcdsb.ca

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. ✠

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 12TH

Tuesday, March 13, 6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Parish Council) 7:10 p.m. +Ed Huber; Gord & Cheryl Dunn <i>No act of devotion on the part of the faithful gives God more pleasure than that which is lavished on his poor. – Pope Leo the Great</i>
Wednesday, March 14, 12:05 p.m. +Kay Logel; Linda & Vince Spilek <i>Let your love lead you to Christ wounded, to Jesus crowned with thorns. – St. Bonaventure</i>
Thursday, March 15, 12:05 p.m. +Tom Mayne; Maurice Downey <i>The beginning of holiness is a good confession. – St. Teresa of Kolkata</i>
Friday, March 16, 9:00 a.m. Irene Geier; Linda & Murray Buchan 9:30 – 12:30 a.m. Adoration <i>I believe that all my crosses come from God. – St. Anthony Mary Claret</i>
Saturday, March 17, 5 p.m. +Daniel Furlong; Marcella Furlong & Family +Teresa Hahn-Siemon; Leroy Siemon
Sunday, March 18, 9:30 am – Fifth Sunday of Lent Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR March 17/18

First Reading: Jer 31:31-34
 Second Reading: Heb 5:7-9
 Gospel Reading: Jn 12:20-33

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE	6:30 pm	C.W.L. Executive Meeting - Seminar
	7:45 pm	C.W.L. General Meeting - Library
WED	7:00 pm	5 p.m. Choir Practice – Church
	7:00 pm	9:30 a.m. Choir Practice – Seminar
THU	10:45 am	Scripture Study - Rectory
	6:45 pm	Knights of Columbus Executive Mtg
	7:30 pm	Knights of Columbus General Meeting

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., March 12	Rev. Toby Collins, C.R.
Tues., March 13	Rev. Daniel Lobsinger, C.R.
Wed., March 14	Ursuline Sisters, o.s.u.
Thurs., March 15	Rev. Martin Mikulski, S.A.C.
Fri., March 16	Rev. Msgr. Edward House
Sat., March 17	Rev. William Trusz

MINISTRIES for March 17/18

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Peggy Kelly, Steve & Patsy Pond
 9:30am Ron & Joyce Stemmler, Charlotte Mueller

Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly, Marilyn Hurlburt, Bill Strauss
 9:30am Leona & Rick Weishar, Ed & Carol Kieswetter

Altar Servers

5pm Natalie Pfanner Groves
 9:30am Isabella Maher, Andrew Zettler, Casey Dronick, Joseph Ditner

Lectors

5pm Kevin Dupuis
 9:30am Wally Malcolm
 Paul Shutsa

Commentator

Phil Milan
 Dianne McGuire

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Mar 18 Trudy & Ray Denomme

Sign Ministry

Mar 12 Ray Denomme

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Mar 21 Jane Goll

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Juice Boxes and Sidekicks

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: In our MINI MAGAZINE

this 4th week of Lent, read about our Development and Peace partner that works with minority indigenous communities to help them get their rights recognized by the government and defend their land against corporate interests as well as develop sustainable economic activities for them. Please check out the Lenten suggestions for March 18th – March 24th in your **SOLIDARITY CALENDAR**. Next week is **SOLIDARITY SUNDAY**. Our Share Lent collection will take place then in our Parish. Please be generous.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.....DIVE INTO GOD'S

WORD - This summer's Vacation Bible School here at St. Teresa's Church will be from July 16th – 20th from 9 a.m. – 12 Noon. This program is for children ages 4-11. The cost is \$30/child or \$75/family. Registration will take place after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on April 8th & 15th. You can also register at the parish office (9 a.m. – 1 p.m.) during the week. If you have any questions, please contact Donna at 519-669-3387.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Confirmation: A Parent Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 20th at 7:45 p.m.** Please join us for the 7:10 p.m. Mass followed by the meeting. If your child attends a public school please contact the Parish Office.

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **FISH FRY** on **Friday, March 23, 2018** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating – 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Take out will be at 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Cost is Adults \$16.00; Children (12 & under) \$8.00; and Take-out is \$16.00. Advanced tickets are available until March 21st. Purchase your tickets at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m. or call (519) 669-3387. 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 March 22nd and 23rd. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Please consider volunteering your time to help out with this worthwhile event. Thank you.

GARDEN PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS – For this year's Garden Party to be held on Friday, June 8, 2018 we are in need of prizes with a value of at least \$100 or more. Prize donations may be dropped off at the church office by calling the church office at 519-669-3387 or emailing teresagardenparty2013@gmail.com to **commit to supplying a prize.** The **deadline** to record all prizes is **Wednesday, March 28, 2018.** Thank you for your support.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE DATES

Tues., March 20th at 7 p.m. at St. Agatha, St. Agatha
Thurs., March 22nd at 7 p.m. at St. Clements, St. Clements
Tues., March 27th at 7 p.m. at St. Teresa, Elmira

MINISTERS are needed for the various ministries on **Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.** If you are able to help please call the Parish Office (519) 669-3387 or email StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com.

HOLY THURSDAY (Last Supper)

Thursday, March 29th – 7:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Friday, March 30th – 11:00 a.m.

HOLY SATURDAY (Easter Vigil)

Saturday, March 31st – 8:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY (Resurrection of the Lord)

Sunday, April 1st – 10:00 a.m.

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. To learn more visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca, 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. This "Call for Conscience" takes place between February 6th and March 31st.

The next Elmira and District Ministerial Association **WEDNESDAY EVENING ECUMENICAL LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE** for Wednesday, March 14th at 7:00 p.m. is at Gale Presbyterian Church with speaker Rev. Hans Borch.

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. 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 March Screening of "After the Last River" is at **St. Paul the Apostle Parish**, 2265 Headon Road, Burlington on **March 20, 2018** from 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. and the film "True

Cost" is at **St. Agatha Parish**, 1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha on **March 23, 2018** from 7:00- 9:00 p.m.

The next **ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE WITH TAIZE SONGS** is on **Sunday, March 25th** at 7:30 p.m. at St. Agatha Catholic Church, 1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha.

LIVING EASTER TODAY, THE CALL TO GRACE, GREATNESS & GLORY is a musical sermon, which will be presented on **Sunday, March 25th** at 7:00 p.m. at Gale Presbyterian Church, Elmira with Rev. Mark Curtis. In word, song and spectacular videos, this musical sermon introduces us to a newer understanding of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection for today's discipleship, empowering your faith with a greater desire to love the Lord through joyful and meaningful service to others. Join us for this inspirational celebration which invites us to look beyond Easter as a season and embrace Easter, as a lifetime call to joyful service with His grace, for His greatness and for His glory! Free Will Offering.

WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP SENIORS LUNCH CLUB – Join us for a hot light lunch and fellowship with old and new friends at the Woolwich Memorial Centre, 24 Snyder Avenue, Elmira on **Monday, March 26, 2018.** Register by 10 a.m. on the Thursday morning before the lunch. Cancellations are to be made by 2 p.m. the Thursday before the lunch. Lunch is served at 12 noon. The cost is \$6. Call Community Care Concepts at 519-664-1900 to register.

CURSILLO WEEKENDS FOR 2018 - The Secretariat for Hamilton Diocese has approved the following dates for Cursillo Weekends. There will be one series in the Spring and one in the Fall. The Spring weekends are April 12-15 for the Men's Weekend and April 26-29 for the Women's Weekend. The Fall Weekends are September 27-30 for the Men's Weekend and October 11-14 for the Women's Weekend. Cursillo is a great opportunity to share and enrich your faith and have a lot of fun doing it. If you would like more information please contact Danielle Pilon at 519-669-2606 or e-mail at malida@rogers.com.

VOCATION SEEDS – St. Paul reminds us that we are "created in Christ Jesus for good works". If you think God's plan for you could be to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email 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 March 3/4: \$3,118.05
Average per envelope: \$25.85
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: \$27,337.00
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