

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

March 12, 2017  
Second Sunday  
of Lent

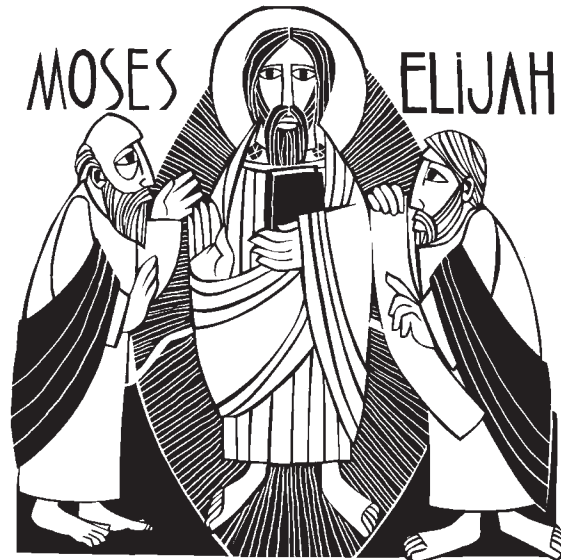
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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter,  
1851.

**Pastor:** Rev. David Lewis  
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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  
any 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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Al Vodicka

#### 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

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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. ✠

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>**

<p><b>Tuesday, March 14, 7:05 pm</b>                  +Mary Martin; Cheryl &amp; Gord Dunn  <i>Take yourself off to the garden of olives or the foot of the cross, and stay there. Our Lord will speak to you; and you listen to him. – St. Bernadette</i></p>
<p><b>Wednesday, March 15, 10:30 am - Chartwell</b>                  + Beatrice Walter; Doris Runchey  <i>We must fast with our whole heart, that is to say, willing, wholeheartedly, universally and entirely. – St. Francis de Sales</i></p>
<p><b>Thursday, March 16, 12:05 pm</b>                  Intentions of Michael, Sal &amp; Lisa Bertin; Armand &amp; Lucy Bertin  <i>Heaven is filled with converted sinners of all kinds, and there is room for more. – St. Joseph Cafasso</i></p>
<p><b>Friday, March 17,</b>                  9:00 am +Bernard Dietrich; Estate                  9:30 am – Noon Adoration                  6:45 pm – Stations of the Cross (led by Knights)  <i>I pray to God to give me perseverance and to deign that I be a faithful witness to him to the end of my life for my God. – St. Patrick</i></p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 18,</b>                  9:00 am Living &amp; Deceased Members of the Catholic Women's League                  5:00 pm +Margaret MacBeth; Helen &amp; Stew Logan                  +Inez Haid; Mary &amp; Ron Dickert</p>
<p><b>Sunday, March 19, Third Sunday of Lent</b>                  9:30 am Our Parish Community</p>

**READINGS FOR March 18/19**

First Reading: Ex 17:3-7  
 Second Reading: Rom 5:1-2, 5-8  
 Gospel Reading: Jn 4:5-42

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

<b>MON-THU</b>	<b>Office Closed</b>
<b>TUE</b> 7:35 pm	<b>C.W.L. General Meeting</b> - Hall
<b>WED</b> 7:00 pm	<b>Choir Practice (5 pm)</b> – Church
	<b>Choir Practice (9 :30 am)</b> - Seminar
<b>THU</b> 10:45 am	<b>Quest Scripture Study</b> – Library
	6:45 pm <b>Knights of Columbus Executive Mtg</b>
	7:30 pm <b>Knights of Columbus General Meeting</b>
<b>FRI</b> 9:00 am	<b>Set-up for Regional Meeting</b> – Hall
	11:00 am <b>Liturgy Committee Meeting</b>
<b>SAT</b> 8:00 am	<b>C.W.L. Regional Meeting</b>
	10:30 am <b>R.C.I.A.</b> - Rectory

**HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:**

Mon., March 13	Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Tues., March 14	Rev. Patrick Giguere, L.C.
Wed., March 15	Soeurs du Sacre-Coeur de Jesus
Thurs., March 16	Rev. Todd Arsenault, L.C.
Fri., March 17	Rev. Thomas Murphy, L.C.
Sat., March 18	Very Rev. John Van Hees

**MINISTRIES for March 18/19**

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
 5pm Stewart Logan, Tim Baillargeon, Judy Furlong  
 9:30am Pat Ditner, Peter & Laura Antonello

**Hospitality**

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Jodi Sereres, Kieran & Geoff Kelly  
 9:30am Carol & Ed Kieswetter, Ron & Joyce Stemmler

**Altar Servers**

5pm Alexis Zettler, Natalie Pfanner Groves  
 9:30am Felicia Groechel, Jordyn Kelly, Daniel Kelly

**Lectors**

5pm Peggy Kelly  
 9:30am Lisa Denomme  
 Paul Shutsa

**Commentator**

Patsy Pond  
 Dianne McGuire

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

Mar 19 Trudy & Ray Denomme

**Sign Ministry**

Mar 13 Kieren Kelly

**Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister**

Mar 15 Tom O'Marra

**FOODBANK NEEDS**

Sidekicks and Canned Fruit

**LIVING ROSARY INTENTION**

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

This summer's **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** at St. Teresa's Church will be **July 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>**. Registration for "A Wilderness Adventure Through The Sacraments" will take place in April.

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE:** In our **MINI MAGAZINE**, this 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Lent, meet 22 year old Risya from Indonesia. She has been blind since adolescence. Thanks to a workshop in journalism offered by a partner of Development and Peace called "The Association of Independent Journalists", Risya started a blog where she writes about discrimination faced by women with disabilities. She encourages them to believe in their own potential. Please check out the Lenten suggestions for March 12<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> in your **SOLIDARITY CALENDAR**.

The Catholic Women's League is spearheading a **SPECIAL LENTEN PROJECT**. We will be collecting donations for Monica Place for Pregnant and Parenting Youth. Monica Place empowers young women who are pregnant, parenting or choosing adoption to make informed and healthy choices for themselves and their children. Instead of "giving something up" for Lent, here is a way of "giving" for Lent.

**WILLS & POWER OF ATTORNEY INFORMATION**

**NIGHT:** The Catholic Women's League is hosting an information night on **Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. in the library. All parishioners are welcome.

**REMINDER:** Please sign up to **help with the KITCHENER REGIONAL MEETING** being hosted at St. Teresa's on **Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.

**GARDEN PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS** – For this year's Garden Party to be held on Friday, June 9, 2017 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](mailto:teresagardenparty2013@gmail.com) to **commit to supplying a prize**. The **deadline** to record all prizes is **Wednesday, March 15, 2017**. Thank you for your support.

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **FISH FRY** on **Friday, March 24, 2017** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, Elmira. There will be two sittings – 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Take out will be at 6:00 p.m. Cost is Adults \$15.00; Children (12 & under) \$8.00; and Take Out is \$15.00. Advanced tickets are available until March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Purchase your tickets after Masses or 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 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**. Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex. Please consider volunteering your time to help out with this worthwhile event. Thank you.

The Catholic Women's League will be leading the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Wednesday of Lent at Chartwell at 3:15 p.m. in the Retirement Home Chapel. Please join us. We will also have a Garage Sale in April, so please save items to donate.

Come out and bring a few friends to the **ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARD PARTY** at St. Agatha RC Church Hall on **Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017** at 2:00 p.m. Door Prizes, Draws and a delicious Beef Stew Luncheon. Admission is \$10/person includes stew, rolls, beverage & dessert squares. Cash Draw & Raffle Draws during luncheon at 4:30 p.m. For more info email: [stagathacwl@gmail.com](mailto:stagathacwl@gmail.com).

The next **ELMIRA AND DISTRICT MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE** is on **Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>** at the Elmira Mennonite Church at 7 p.m. with speaker Paul Dyck. All are welcome to attend..

Men interested in the vocation to the **priesthood are invited to the COME AND SEE RETREAT** at **St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto on the weekend of March 17 – 19** or at **St. Peter's Seminary in London on the weekend of March 24 – 27**. This is a unique opportunity to spend time with those studying for the priesthood, hear their stories, and pray for your vocation. More details at [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com).

**LES MISERABLES: A LENTEN RETREAT** at the Ignatius Jesuit Centre, 5420 Highway 6 North, Guelph on **March 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. This guided weekend retreat will use the movie/musical "Les Miserables" to help us explore the grace of God alongside our fallen state or brokenness and the opportunities we have for redemption. Space is limited to 10 participants. Cost is \$260 for live-in or \$160 as a commuter.

**STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?** – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a **weekend on March 24, 2017**, please call 905-664-5212 or email: [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

The next **ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE WITH TAIZE SONGS** is on **Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 p.m. at Church of the Good Shepherd, 116 Queen Street North, Kitchener. All are invited.

**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 27, 2017**. Register by 10 a.m. on the Thursday morning before the lunch. Cancellations are to be made by 2 p.m. the Friday before the lunch. Lunch is served at 12 noon. The cost is \$6. Call Community Care Concepts at 519-664-1900 to register.

**VOCATION SEEDS** – Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our life. If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or or email [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).

**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS** – On **Sunday, June 25, 2017**, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 p.m. The Mass is for couples married 25, 40, 50, 60 or 60 plus years in the year 2017. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required.) To register for the celebration please see the poster on the bulletin board of the church or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.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 February 25/26:	\$2,472.80
Average per envelope:	\$21.40
Electronic funds for the week: (based on 4 Sundays per month)	\$1,141.25
Weekly parish operating expenses:	\$4,632.00

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