

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

March 24, 2019

Third Sunday
of Lent

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1851.

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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

Annamae Elliott
Deana Pfanner Groves
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Leona Weishar
Lisa Denomme

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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.

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. ✠

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 25TH

Tuesday, March 26, No Mass <i>Our sins are nothing but a grain of sand along the great mountain of the mercy of God. – St. John Vianney</i>
Wednesday, March 27, No Mass <i>Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. Amen. – St. Augustine</i>
Thursday, March 28, No Mass <i>We have been called to heal wounds, to unite what has fallen away, and to bring home those who have lost their way. – St. Francis of Assisi</i>
Friday, March 29, No Mass 9:30 am – 12:30 pm Adoration <i>Fasting and almsgiving are 'the two wings of prayer' which enable it to gain momentum and more easily reach God. – St. Augustine</i>
Saturday, March 30, 5:00 p.m. +Walter Kieffer; The Family Intentions of Marg Ditner; The Family
Sunday, March 31, Fourth Sunday of Lent 9:30 am Our Parish Community During Mass First Communion Class After Mass Coffee Sunday

READINGS FOR March 30/31

First Reading: Jos 5:9a, 10-12
 Second Reading: 2 Cor 5:17-21
 Gospel Reading: Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WED 7:00pm **5:00 p.m. Choir Practice** – Church
 7:00pm **9:30 a.m. Choir Practice** – Seminar
FRI 6:30pm – 8:00pm **Parish Lenten Retreat** – Church
SAT 10:00am – 1:00pm **Wood Project Day** – Hall
SUN After Mass **Coffee Sunday** - Hall

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., Mar 25 Rev. Chris Buda, C.R.
 Tues., Mar 26 Rev. Frederick Scinto, C.R.
 Wed., Mar 27 Chancery Staff
 Thurs., Mar 28 Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.
 Fri., Mar 29 Rev. Pat Aiello, C.R.
 Sat., Mar 30 Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R.

MINISTRIES for Mar 30/31

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Steve & Patsy Pond, Erl Andersen
 9:30am Ray Denomme, Sharon Both, Isabella Maher

Hospitality

5pm Geoff & Kieran Kelly, Marilyn Hurlburt, Jane Goll
 9:30am Peter Antonello, Ron Stemmler, Bill & Anne Hanley

Altar Servers

5pm Ailah Kauk, Lana Kauk, Andrew Zettler
 9:30am Caleb Antonello, Heike Elliott, Amber Elliott

Lectors

5pm Kevin Dupuis
 9:30am Tom O'Marra
 Wally Malcolm

Commentator

Marianne Kieswetter
 Joan Couto

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Mar 31 Marianne Kieswetter

Sign Ministry

Mar 25 Gord Walz

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Apr 3 Cheryl Dunn

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Sidekicks and Juice

GARDEN PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS – For this year's Garden Party to be held on Friday, June 7, 2019 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, April 3, 2019**. Thank you for your support.

PARISH LENTEN RETREAT – Friday, March 29th from

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the church - As we journey through Lent remember that this time of preparation is leading to the joy of the Resurrection! All members of the parish are invited to a Lenten Retreat where we will experience the story of Lazarus as it is illuminated in the Saint John's Bible, using the prayer method "Seeing the Word". This way of praying involves periods of silence, reading Scripture while focused on the illumination and optional sharing with the group. **Join us on Friday, March 29th**, beginning with Stations of the Cross lead by the C.W.L. at 6:30 p.m. in the church. The evening will end with refreshments. There is no cost. Materials will be provided. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.

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 Activity Room. Please join us.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: In our **MINI MAGAZINE "Share the Journey"** for this third week of Lent, read on pages 8 and 9, about how Development and Peace is helping the Rohingya People of Myanmar to preserve their dignity in Bangladesh, where they have fled, while they strive to live in peace. Please check out the Lenten suggestions for March 24th – 30rd in your Solidarity Calendar.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE DATES

Thurs., March 28th at 7 p.m. at St. Clements, St. Clements
 Tues., April 2nd at 7 p.m. at St. Agatha, St. Agatha
 Tues., April 16th at 7 p.m. at St. Teresa, Elmira

St. Teresa of Avila is hosting **A WOOD PROJECT DAY** on **Saturday, March 30th** from 10-1 p.m. in the church hall. For \$55 you can choose between 4 wood crafts to make and keep, with all materials provided. Light snacks will be served. Seating is limited to 35 people. Registration can be completed at <https://naileditnite.typeform.com/to/rXfVim>. Proceeds will go to the Building Maintenance Project.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.....FLYING HIGH FOR THE GLORY OF GOD - This summer's Vacation Bible School at St. Teresa's Church will be from **July 15th – 19th** from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon. This program is for children ages 4-11. The cost is \$25/child or \$60/family. **Registration will take place after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on April 7th & 28th**. You can also contact Donna at the parish office at 519-669-3387 between 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. during the week. "Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you." James 4:8

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, April 18th – 7:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Friday, April 19th – 11:00 a.m.

HOLY SATURDAY (Easter Vigil)

Saturday, April 20th – 8:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY (Resurrection of the Lord)

Sunday, April 21st – 10:00 a.m.

PRAYING WITH THE LABYRINTH: The Catholic Women's League of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Waterloo invite everyone to a **LENTEN PILGRIMAGE** in our parish hall on **Thursday, March 28th**, after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Centuries ago, pilgrims who were unable to go to Jerusalem, would make a symbolic pilgrimage, following the path of the labyrinth in their own cathedrals. On March 28th, we invite you to try this prayerful experience by putting on your indoor walking shoes and joining us in making that journey on a labyrinth in the parish hall. Praying with the labyrinth may help us see our own faith journey towards God and how we carry that faith to the world. Charlie Van Alphen, a retired principal and religion consultant in the Catholic School Board, will be our facilitator. Everyone is welcome.

ADORATION FOR LIFE – Come join us on **Thursday, April 4th** from 11 a.m. to 11:40 a.m. at St. Mary Our Lady of Seven Sorrows R.C. Church, 56 Duke Street West, Kitchener with Mass at 12 Noon, **Thursday, April 4th** at 6 p.m. followed by the 7 p.m. Mass at St. Agnes R.C. Church, 75 Bluevale Street North, Waterloo or **Friday, April 5th** from 6 – 7 p.m. at St. Teresa R.C. Church Adoration Chapel, 44 Leonard Street, Kitchener followed by Mass at 7 p.m. Call K-W Right to Life for more information at 519-746-5433.

The next **LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE** is on **Friday, April 5, 2019** at Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre at St. Jerome's University Academic Centre at 7:30 p.m. Janna Levitt will speak on "Architecture as Social

Transformation". Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Free of charge but please register at www.sju.ca/lce. Free parking. Wheelchair accessible. Refreshments served.

We are inviting all parishes to a **LENTEN PROJECT** on **Saturday, April 6, 2019** at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre, 58 St. Charles St. E., Maryhill from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Guest speaker, Anna Krysciak, chaplain at the University of Guelph, will speak on "How do we save ourselves – Our Salvation". Refreshments and a snack will be provided at break. A small free will offering would be appreciated. All welcome. Please call (519) 648-2939 with numbers so we have an approximate idea of attendance.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, April 7, 2019** 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.

You are invited to a **SPRING SOCIAL** hosted by St. Joseph's C.W.L., 1025 Wallace Ave. N., Listowel on **Monday, April 8th**. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. The program starts at 7 p.m. The guest speaker is Anja Noordam and will speak on "Walking in Israel". There is a penny table, main draw, and grocery hamper draw. Lunch is provided. Free admission.

A 140 Voice Community Choir presents **HANDEL'S MESSIAH** on **Friday, April 12th and Saturday, April 13th** at 7:30 p.m. at Woodside Church, Elmira and **Sunday, April 14th** at 3 p.m. at Floradale Mennonite Church. Tickets are \$5 per person. Tickets are available at Foodland, Woodside Church, Floradale Mennonite Church and Living Waters Book Store. All proceeds will go towards local charities. For full details visit woodsidechurch.ca/messiah.

TREES FOR WOOLWICH – 8TH ANNUAL CHURCH CHALLENGE TREE PLANTING! Mark your calendar for **Saturday, April 27th** to plant trees. More information to follow in the bulletin.

The **11TH ECUMENICAL PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY GATHERING** is on **Tuesday, June 11th, 2019** from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. It will be hosted by St. James Anglican Church, Fergus. The theme for this year's gathering is "Pilgrimage". Pauline Head, retired Anglican priest, will be speaking about her experiences walking the Camino de Santiago. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

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 16/17: \$3,132.77
Average per envelope: \$28.87
Electronic funds for the week: \$1,151.25
(based on 4 Sundays per month)
Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,632.00
Total to Date Building Maintenance Project: \$60,760.15
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