

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

March 25, 2018

Palm Sunday

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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

Phil Milan

#### Building & Finance Committee

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#### Catholic Women's League

Barb Vodicka

#### Knights of Columbus

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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 a  
registration package at the church entrance.

#### 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

519-885-1340 Website: [stdavid.wcdsb.ca](http://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.



# PALM SUNDAY

## MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>

**Tuesday, March 27,**

**12:05 p.m. +Ron Weber;** Kay Bouzane

**7:00 p.m. Penitential Service**

*When we wish to reverse the direction of our lives there must be a pause, or a death, to mark the end of one life and the beginning of another. – St. Basil*

**Wednesday, March 28, 10:30 a.m. – Barnswallow Place**

**+Kazimiera Poczatek;** Estate

*The darkness does not simply not know the light; it does not want to know it. – Hans Urs von Balthasar*

**Thursday, March 29, Holy Thursday**

**10:00 am** Dramatization of the Passion

**7:00 pm** For the Clergy of the Diocese

**Adoration until 10 pm**

**Friday, March 30, The Passion of the Lord**

**11:00 am** Good Friday Service

**Saturday, March 31, Easter Vigil**

**8:00 p.m. For All Those Received Into the Church**

**Sunday, April 1,**

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**10:00 am Our Parish Community**

### READINGS FOR March 31/April 1

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Second Reading: Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8

Gospel Reading: Jn 20:1-18 or Lk 24:13-35

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**TUE Office Closed**

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

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

**FRI Office Closed**

### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., March 26 Rev. David Reilander

Tues., March 27 Rev. Tom Moisan

Wed., March 28 Chaplains

Thurs., March 29 Holy Thursday

Fri., March 30 Good Friday

Sat., March 31 Rev. Andrew Quarshie

### MINISTRIES for Mar 31/Apr 1

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

Apr 1 Jane Goll

#### Sign Ministry

Mar 26 Marty Merlihan

#### Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Apr 4 Cheryl Dunn

### 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** and Caritas Canada wish to thank everyone who donated to Share Lent last week. Our donations support 170 partners doing 202 projects, in 36 countries, in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. If you did not have a chance to make a donation last week, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory today or bring it to Donna in the office. Donna has extra envelopes if you need one. Please pray for the work of Development and Peace. We are making great efforts to build a world of justice and peace in the global south, in this 50<sup>th</sup> year of our founding by the Catholic bishops of Canada in 1967.

### PENITENTIAL SERVICE DATES

Tues., March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at **St. Teresa, Elmira**

The Knights of Columbus will host their **ANNUAL ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION PARTY** on **Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. at the Elmira Bowl. Altar Servers will get to enjoy some bowling, followed by pizza. All Altar Servers are welcome to attend and are asked to RSVP with the Parish Office either by email (StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com) or telephone (519-669-3387).

**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](mailto: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.

**WORKSHOP FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE A MINISTRY AT MASS** – On **Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** we are hosting a Workshop with Christina Ronzio from the Diocese for all those who are involved in a ministry at Mass. Please plan to attend and confirm attendance by either email at [StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com](mailto:StTeresaofAvila.Elmira@rogers.com) or call 519-669-3387 (9 a.m. – 1 p.m.) to confirm your attendance. We will be reviewing what the guidelines are from the diocese and what we do in our parish. Check-in is at 10 a.m. with the workshop running from 10:30 a.m. – Noon and concluding with lunch at Noon. Please plan on attending this informative and rejuvenating workshop.

We will have a **FOOD DRIVE** to support our local Food Bank. Food may be dropped off any time throughout Holy Week. On **Holy Week**, bins will be placed in the narthex and a basket of food will be brought forward during the offertory on **Holy Thursday** to represent all the food donated for the hungry of our community.

**STAMPS, STAMPS, STAMPS** – St. Teresa's Parish is still collecting used STAMPS. The **stamps must be cut about ¼ inch around the stamp** in order for them to be sold. We send them to Development and Peace in Montreal and they arrange for their sale to collectors and others. There is a red can on the cloakroom shelf for them. "Snail Mail" is not used as much as in the past so the stamps are more valuable.

We need your **HELP TO DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER** on **Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>** from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. If you can help, please sign the sheet in the narthex or call the Parish Office at 519-669-3387.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.....DIVE INTO GOD'S WORD** - This summer's Vacation Bible School at St. Teresa's Church will be from July 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**GOOD FRIDAY FISH FRY** – Join us at the Maryhill Heritage Community Centre on **Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>** between 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eat in or take out. NO reservations – First Come, First Served. Haddock with fresh hand cut fries served with coleslaw, tartar sauce and lemon. 1 or 2 piece dinner available. Dessert, bar & refreshments also available. Cash only. For information call (519) 648-2939.

St. Clement's Parish, St. Clements will be hosting a **SPRING CARD PARTY** at the St. Clement's Parish Hall, 3619 Lobsinger Line, St. Clements on **Wednesday, April 4, 2018**. Doors open at 6 p.m. Lunch will be served at 6:30 p.m. There will be lots of prizes, share the wealth and quilt raffle. Admission is \$10.00. Wheelchair Accessible. This event is sponsored by the St. Clement's Christian Mothers' Society. Everyone is welcome!

**SEEING THE WORD SESSIONS** – On **Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>** at the Chancery Office, you are welcome to ignite your spiritual imagination, praying with The Saint John's Bible, using the method of *visio divina* ("divine seeing"), to prayerfully reflect upon Scripture. The session running from 1:30-3:30 p.m. will feature the Illumination of the Resurrection as we glory in Christ's resurrection from the dead! Anyone interested in attending may contact Anthony De Feo at 905-528-7988, ext. 2336.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, April 5, 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](mailto:kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com).

The Knights of Columbus District 109 in support of Vocations presents **AN ANNUAL CHARITY EVENT WITH A HOCKEY GAME** with the St. Thomas More Senior Hockey Team versus The Hamilton Wentworth Regional Police on **Saturday, April 7, 2018** at the Dave Andreychuk Mountain Arena, 25 Hester Street, Hamilton. The game begins at 2 p.m. Tickets are adults \$12 – blue ticket and Children (12 & under) \$6 – yellow ticket. Please bring non-perishable goods. Door prizes are drawn with adult tickets.

**SPRING SOCIAL** hosted by St. Joseph's C.W.L., 1025 Wallace Ave. N., Listowel on **Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. The program starts at 7 p.m. The guest speaker is Dr. Barb Matthews who will speak on "Forever Young". There will be a penny table, main draw, and grocery hamper draw. Lunch is provided. Free admission.

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors is on **Thursday, April 12, 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. The New Horizon Band will talk about "Swing Into Spring". There will be music. For information contact Joan Haid at 519-648-2742 or [jehaid@netflash.net](mailto:jehaid@netflash.net).

**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS** – On **Sunday, June 10, 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). Please refer to the poster on the bulletin board for info on how to register for the celebration, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

**CURSILLO WEEKENDS FOR 2018** - The Secretariat for Hamilton Diocese has approved the following dates for Cursillo Weekends. There will be one series in 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](mailto:malida@rogers.com).

**VOCATION SEEDS** – Blessed are those who come in the Name of the Lord! Blessed are they who live their lives in the Name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call 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](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 March 17/18: \$2,163.25**  
**Average per envelope: \$28.21**  
**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: \$28,182.00**  
**Thank you!**

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