

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Roman Catholic Church

March 26, 2017  
Fourth 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  
Barb Vodicka  
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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

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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. ✠

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### MASSES FOR WEEK OF MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>

**Tuesday, March 28,**

**7:05 pm** +Jim Furlong; Sylvester & Tena Moser

**7:35 pm** Confirmation Class

*Do you fast? Give me proof of it by your works. If you see a poor man, take pity on him. If you see a friend being honoured, do not envy him. Do not let only your mouth fast, but also the eye, and the ear, and the feet, and the hands, and all the members of our bodies. – St. John Chrysostom*

**Wednesday, March 29, 10:00 am – School Lenten Mass**

+ Mary Visneskie; Louise Roe & Family

*Charity is certainly greater than any rule. Moreover, all rules must lead to charity. – St. Vincent de Paul*

**Thursday, March 30, 12:05 pm**

+George Szewczyk; Rita Lorbetzki

*We always find that those who walked closest to Christ were those who had to bear the greatest trials. – St. Teresa of Avila*

**Friday, March 31,**

**9:00 am** +Doris Hahn; Mary Dewar

**9:30 am – Noon** Adoration

**6:45 pm** – Stations of the Cross

*The ultimate goal of fasting is to help each one of us to make a complete gift of self to God. – Pope Benedict XVI*

**Saturday, April 1, 5:00 pm**

+Walter Kieffer; Sharon Both

+Karen Downey; The Family

**Sunday, April 2, Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**9:30 am** Our Parish Community

**During 9:30 am Mass** First Communion Class

### Altar Servers

5pm Phil Milan

9:30am Connor Kroetsch, Cody Kroetsch, Makenna Kroetsch, Brookelynn Kroetsch

### Lectors

5pm Colleen Weber

9:30am Tracy Kroetsch

Dianne McGuire

### Commentator

Ann Staines

Joan Coutu

### Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Apr 2 Marianne Kieswetter

### Sign Ministry

Mar 27 Sandi Hutchinson

### Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Apr 5 Ann Staines

### 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.

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE:** In our **MINI MAGAZINE**, this 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent, meet Hannan, a Syrian woman, who tells us how the partners' Training Centres sponsored by Development and Peace, are helping to change the female work force and the financial autonomy of women where she lives. Hannan can now dream of teaching sewing and running a learning centre. Please check out the Lenten suggestions for March 26<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup> in your **SOLIDARITY CALENDAR**. Next week is **SOLIDARITY SUNDAY**. Our Share Lent collection will take place then in our parish. Please be generous.

We would love your child(ren) to be a part of this summer's **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** "A Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments" here at St. Teresa's, July 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> for ages 4-11. Registration will take place **Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** after the 9:30 a.m. Mass by the narthex. Cost is \$30/child or \$75/family. Cheques are payable to St. Teresa of Avila Church.

### READINGS FOR April 1/2

First Reading: Ez 37:12-14

Second Reading: Rom 8:8-11

Gospel Reading: Jn 11:1-45

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**WED** 7:00 pm **Choir Practice (5 pm)** – Church  
7:00 pm **Choir Practice (9 :30 am)** - Seminar  
**THU** 10:45 am **Quest Scripture Study** – Library  
7:00 pm **Seminar of Hope** - Library  
**SAT** 10:30 am **R.C.I.A.** - Rectory

### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:

Mon., March 27 Rev. Peter Watters  
Tues., March 28 Rev. Czeslaw Kolasa, S.A.C.  
Wed., March 29 Chaplains  
Thurs., March 30 Rev. Frank Ruzza, C.R.S.P.  
Fri., March 31 Rev. Alessandro Tirelli, C.R.S.P.  
Sat., April 1 Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.

### MINISTRIES for Apr 1/2

#### Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Peggy Kelly, Steve & Patsy Pond

9:30am Barb Vodicka, Ray Denomme, Sharon Both

#### Hospitality

5pm Debbie Yutzi, Marilyn Hurlburt, Bill Strauss, Jane Goll

9:30am Pat & Linus Ditner, Ed & Carol Kieswetter

### PENITENTIAL SERVICE DATES

Wed., March 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Agatha, St. Agatha

Thurs., March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Clements, St. Clements

Thurs., April 6<sup>th</sup> 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, April 13<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m.

### GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m.

### HOLY SATURDAY (Easter Vigil)

Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 p.m.

### EASTER SUNDAY (Resurrection of the Lord)

Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.

The Catholic Women's League is spearheading a **SPECIAL LENTEN PROJECT**. We will be collecting donations for Monica Place for Pregnant and Parenting Youth. Instead of "giving something up" for Lent, here is a way of "giving" for Lent. For ideas see the notice on the bulletin board.

**"THINE IS THE GLORY" CONCERT** - On **Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**, celebrate the power and glory of Easter with the Wayne Gilpin Singers in the Notre Dame Chapel at St. Jerome's University, 290 Westmount Road North, Waterloo. "Thine is the Glory" Concert will feature the performance of sacred music of the season. The concert begins at 2:00 p.m. and parking is available. All are welcome to attend with a freewill offering and all proceeds will be donated to the Notre Dame Chapel renovations. For more information, contact Martha Fauteux at 519-884-8110 ext 28220 or email [mfautuex@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:mfautuex@uwaterloo.ca).

**AGING WELL IN WOOLWICH INFORMATION & ACTIVE LIVING FAIR** – Join us for this free event on **Tuesday, March 28, 2017** from 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the Breslau Community Centre, 100 Andover Drive, Breslau. There will be speakers talking about Age Friendly Community, Aging Well & Maintaining and a Health Panel. There will also be information displays, lunch, door prizes and transportation to the event. **For lunch and/or transportation you must register by March 24<sup>th</sup>** at 519-664-1900/1-855-664-1900.

Development and Peace **SOLIDARITY QUILT**: As part of D & P's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, a giant solidarity quilt is being created in dioceses all across Canada by our members and partners in the Global South. Each diocese is creating a square, and a pilgrimage will take the pieces across the country from west to east and east to west. The quilt will be assembled in the centre of the country. The pieces of the quilt will be on display at **St. Michael's Parish**, 240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo on **March 29<sup>th</sup>**, with evening prayer at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

The next **ELMIRA AND DISTRICT MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE** is on **Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>** at the Trinity United Church at 7 p.m. with speaker Gary Knarr. All are welcome to attend.

In honour of our Bishop, the Reverend Douglas Crosby, the Waterloo Region Catholic Schools Foundation is presenting the **12TH ANNUAL BISHOP'S BANQUET** on **Wednesday, March 29, 2017** in the historic St. Mary's Parish Hall, 35 Weber Street West, Kitchener. The keynote speaker is Bishop Douglas Crosby. Tickets are available by contacting Jody L. Fritz by email at [jody.fritz@wcdsb.ca](mailto:jody.fritz@wcdsb.ca), by telephone at (519) 578-3660 ext. 2373 as well as the website at [www.wrcsf.ca](http://www.wrcsf.ca). Tickets are \$100 each or \$800 for a table of eight. A charitable receipt will be issued for a significant portion of the ticket price. Proceeds go to support program needs in our Catholic Schools.

**WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT** at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga for the **weekend of March 31<sup>st</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup>**. The theme is "The Call To Peace". The

retreat will be preached by the Centre Team. For further information or registration please call 905-278-5229.

COLF'S upcoming **SEMINAR ON LIFE AND FAMILY** will be held **March 30-31, 2017** in Gatineau (just across the river from Ottawa). The theme of the seminar is "Sex, Gender and Ideology". Contact 513-241-9461 extension 161 or by email at [colf@colf.ca](mailto:colf@colf.ca) for further information.

The Waterloo Catholic District School Board is hosting **THE IMPORTANCE OF PARENT INVOLVEMENT WORKSHOP** on **Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>** at St. Mary's High School, 1500 Block Line Road, Kitchener from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with keynote speaker, Ms. Denis Dwyer, Assistant Deputy Minister of Education. Participants may choose three workshops which can include: The transition from Elementary to Secondary School – staying in touch with your child; Why is parent involvement so important?; Elementary Math and many more. To register please go to [www.wcdsb.ca](http://www.wcdsb.ca), or email [alice.figueiredo@wcdsb.ca](mailto:alice.figueiredo@wcdsb.ca) or call 519-578-3660 ext. 2299.

**FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES** - Families are kindly reminded to remove all wreaths on stands and other winter decorations from their lots **by April 1<sup>st</sup>** to facilitate the Spring clean-up. Any wreaths and decorations remaining after April 1<sup>st</sup> will be removed and discarded. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

There will be a **WORSHIP CAFE** on **Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** at Floradale Mennonite Church, 22 Florapine Road, Floradale at 7 p.m. Come out and join us in the foyer to spend time in worship through music and scripture. Coffee, tea and deserts will be served. Feel free to bring a friend and an item for the Woolwich Food Bank.

The next 2016–2017 **LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE** at St. Jerome's University is on **Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>** when Mark McGowan, a professor of history at the University of Toronto, will be with us to confront the fact that very little has been written on how the Christian churches of Britain's North American Colonies engaged with the movement to federate the colonies. Dr. McGowan will look at the concerns of the Christian churches at the time, and highlight some of the local issues that were affected by the proposed Confederation. The lecture is at Vanstone Lecture Theatre, Academic Centre (SJ2 1004), St. Jerome's University at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Free of Charge. Free Parking. Wheelchair Accessible. Refreshments Served.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

**Lk 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you... For the measure you give will be measured back to you."**

<b>Offertory collection for March 18/19:</b>	<b>\$2,508.15</b>
<b>Average per envelope:</b>	<b>\$21.66</b>
<b>Electronic funds for the week: (based on 4 Sundays per month)</b>	<b>\$1,141.25</b>
<b>Weekly parish operating expenses:</b>	<b>\$4,632.00</b>
<b>Thank you!</b>	



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