St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

July 20 & 27, 2025
Sixteenth & Seventeenth
Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. Peter Meyer

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Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., or by request.

Sacrament of Baptism (3rd 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

Colleen Jack Debbie Yutzi Fr. Peter Meyer Jim McInnis John Bruder Ken Gallipeau

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Vocations

Contact hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/ or resurrectionists.com/vocations

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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St. David Catholic Secondary School

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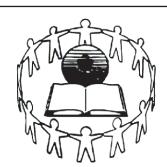
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

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



SIXTEENTH & SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF JULY 21ST

Tuesday, July 22, 7:05 pm

+Theresa Cassel; Estate

Your love has gone before me; it has grown with me, and now it is an abyss whose depths I cannot fathom. – St. Therese of Lisieux

Wednesday, July 23, No Mass

When it is in your power to do good, do not hold back! – St. Polycarp

Thursday, July 24, 12:05 pm

+Colleen & Ron Weber; Estate

The crown will be given neither to beginners, nor to the advanced, but to the victorious, to those who persevere to the end. – St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

Friday, July 25, 9:00 am - Maryhill

You pay God a compliment by asking great things of him. – St. Teresa of Avila

Saturday, July 26, 5:00 pm

Intentions of Kay Bouzane; Friends of St. Teresa Church

+Mike O'Reilly; Mike O'Reilly Sr.

Sunday, July 27, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR July 26/27

First Reading: Gen 18:20-32 Second Reading: Col 2:12-14 Gospel Reading: Lk 11:1-13

MINISTRIES for July 26/27

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kathy Ziegler, Kieran Kelly 9am Barb Vodicka, Carol Kieswetter

Hospitality

5pm Marilyn Hurlburt, Marianne Kieswetter 9am Rick & Leona Weishar, John Bruder

Lector Commentator
5pm Tom O'Marra Kevin Dupuis
9am Joan Coutu Iris Miltenburg

Altar Servers

9am Andrew, Daniel, Allyson

Sign Ministry

July 22 Kieran Kelly

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR :

Mon., Jul 21 Rev. David Mowat, C.R.
Tues., Jul 22 Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.
Wed., Jul 23 Society of Christ, S.Chr.
Thu., Jul 24 Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.
Fri., Jul 25 Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.
Very Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For formation in discernment – Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

MASSES FOR WEEK OF JULY 28TH

Tuesday, July 29, 7:05 pm

+Carol Rice; Marcella & Judy Furlong

Going to Mass will prosper the whole day. – St. Peter Julian Eymard

Wednesday, July 30, No Mass

Love the truth sincerely to attain that peace and harmony on which depends all real prosperity. – St. John XXIII

Thursday, July 31, 12:05 pm

+Theresa Hahn-Siemon; Leroy Siemon

They who carry God in their heart bear heaven with them wherever they go. – St. Ignatius of Loyola

Friday, August 1, 9:00 am - Maryhill

You either belong wholly to the world or wholly to God. – St. John Mary Vianney

Saturday, August 2, 5:00 pm

Intentions of Ray & Trudy Denomme; Knights of Columbus

+Audrey Kropf; Marianne Kieswetter

Sunday, August 3, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Our Parish Community

11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR August 2/3

First Reading: Ecc 1:2, 2:21-33 Second Reading: Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Gospel Reading: Lk 12:13--21

MINISTRIES for August 2/3

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Patsy & Steve Pond

9am Rick Weishar, Iris Miltenburg

Hospitality

5pm Geoff & Kieran Kelly

9am Paul Shutsa, Mike & Sharon Noel

LectorCommentator5pmConnie KasterPatsy Pond9amTracy KroetschWally Malcolm

Altar Servers

9am Xander, Libby, Evan

Sign Ministry

Jul 29 John Bruder

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR :

Mon., Jul 28 Rev. Philip Reilly, C.R. Tues., Jul 29 Rev. Pawel Jamroz

Wed., Jul 30 School Sisters of Notre Dame, S.S.N.D.

Thu., Jul 31 Engaged Couples

Fri., Aug 1 Most Rev. Anthony Tonnos Sat., Aug 2 Rev. Stephen Gilbert

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Pasta, Canned Fruit, Canned Meat (ham, chicken)

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly (WDGE) 2025 will be celebrated on Sunday, July 27, 2025, close to the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, grandparents of Jesus (July 26). The theme is

"Blessed are those who have not lost hope." (cf. Sirach 14:2). Let us take this opportunity to uplift grandparents and the elderly, cherishing them as blessings in our faith community!

I will be doing a blessing for Grandparents and the Elderly on the weekend of July 26/27.

Fr. Peter Meyer

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Parish Family: **Leonardo Garrett Noro Spracklin**, son of William and Amber and **Lukasz Vander Krzysztofik**, son of Nicholas and Alana. We pray that God will help these children to grow in holiness and wisdom.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: We are finishing the Church Directory which will be available this coming fall. It is imperative that you contact Donna at the office if you DO NOT WANT YOUR ADDRESS OR TELEPHONE NUMBER to be included in the directory. Otherwise, as a parishioner, your name, address and phone number will appear in the church directory.

If you would like to **REGISTER** as a member of the Parish, there are envelopes outside of the cloakroom on the shelf. There are registration forms in the boxed envelopes. If you would like to contribute to the church, you can use the envelopes or you also have the option of donating through Electronic Fund Transfer. You can get these forms off the website (stteresaelmira.ca) or contact the Parish Office (519-669-3387 or stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com).

You may have noticed that there are **CUSHIONS** at the back of the church that you can use at Mass. After Mass we ask that you please return them to the spot from which you took the cushion.

BOOK FAIR at the Garden Party – Please consider donating gently used books for the book sale at the Garden Party. Drop off the books at the church **from August 18**th **to September 5**th. Please no magazines or CDS.

Clothing, footwear, (etc.) donations to **TINY HOME TAKEOUT** may be made **over the summer by independent transportation** to St. Mary of Seven Sorrows
Church in Kitchener, back door to basement or main foyer donation bin.

Join us for **HEAVENLY EATS FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS** every Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. **July 25**th the trucks will be **at Gale Presbyterian Church** and on **August 1**st **here at St. Teresa of Avila Church.** Proceeds support our group of participating churches. Check out www.facebook.com/HeavenlyEatsFoodTrucks each week to see which church and what trucks are there.

Join us for a retreat at Loyola House, **WALKING WITH A WOUNDED WORLD: THE GIFT OF IGNATIUS LOYOLA** on **July 28 – 30, 2025.** Explore the gift that Spiritual Exercises has to offer for us in the 21st century, especially for helping us know how to be with a fragile world, accompanying the wounded.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, August 7**th from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. opposite 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 cmlamers@rogers.com or call 519-742-9025.

Help WOOLWICH COMMUNITY SERVICES with their Backpack Program which provides much-needed supplies for the less fortunate children and youth in Woolwich Township. A list of supplies requested for backpacks can be found posted on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church. The items must be delivered before August 13, 2025. Supplies can be dropped off at the Woolwich Community Services Office, 5 Memorial Avenue, Elmira from Monday to Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you know anyone in Woolwich Township who would benefit from this program, ask them to call the WCS office. Families can register from August 1 – August 15, 2025 by calling 519-669-5139. A time for pick up will be given when you register for the program. The pickup location is 5 Memorial Avenue, Elmira. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact 519-669-5139.

Woolwich Community Services at 5 Memorial Ave., Elmira

- VOLUNTEER DRIVERS are needed. They must be experienced, clean driving record, patient and supportive. There will be compensation for mileage. Email or drop in for a volunteer application form.
- HOT DOG WEDNESDAYS Join us every Wednesday in July and August from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. as we say thank you to our amazing community for your continued support. Stop by for a free hot dog, pop and apple. Our treat to you!
- JEANNÉ RENAULT CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT on August 14, 2025 at Arris Valley G & CC. Tee off is at 1 p.m. \$152 per player. This includes BBQ lunch, golf and cart, buffet dinner, exciting contests and prizes. This is all in support of WCS and our Family Violence Prevention Program.
- **BBQ FUNDRAISER** on August 8th and 9th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All proceeds support youth programs at the HUB. The BBQ is at the WCS building.
- BACK LOT BARGAINS PARKING LOT THRIFT SHOP SALE on Friday, August 8th and Saturday, August 9th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is 50% off clothing, 10 cent tables, unique and cool finds!

VOCATION SEEDS – We are like Martha. There's plenty to be anxious about but only one thing that is required of us. For five minutes today be like Mary, rest with Jesus and ask Him what He requires of you. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for July 5/6: \$ 4,024.70
Offertory collection for July 12/13: \$ 2,774.35
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance: \$95,549.84
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