

St. Teresa of Avila

Roman Catholic Church

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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

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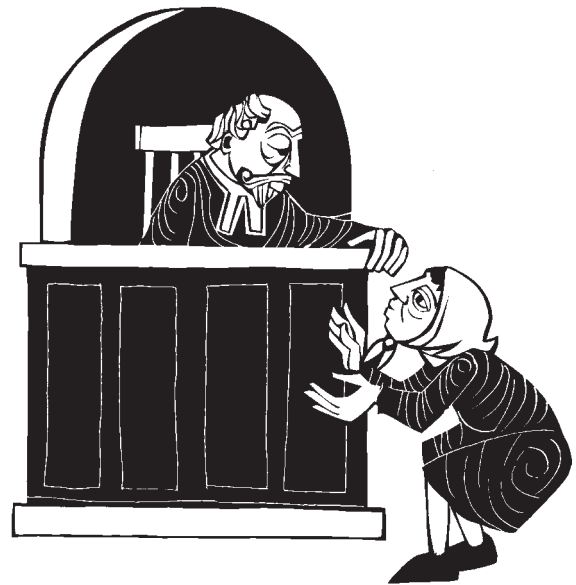
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Basil Markides

Office Administration: Donna Vollmer

Sacramental Preparation: Iris Miltenburg

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

Building & Finance Committee

Fr. Peter Meyer Diane Smith
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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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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. ✠

TWENTY-NINETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 20TH

Tuesday, October 21, 7:05 pm +Gerry Buckle; Debbie Yutzi <i>Whatever you do, think not of yourself, but of God. – St. Vincent Ferrer</i>
Wednesday, October 22, 10:30 am +William & Betty Walter; Estate at St. Jacob's Place <i>Conversion to God always consists in discovering God's mercy. – St. John Paul II</i>
Thursday, October 23, 12:05 am +Wayne Vollmer; Sheila Matthews <i>Those who are called to the table of the Lord must glow with the brightness that comes from the good example of a praiseworthy and blameless life. – St. John of Capistrano</i>
Friday, October 24, 9:00 am – Maryhill <i>Choose now what you would wish to have chosen at life's end. – St. Anthony Mary Claret</i>
Saturday, October 25, 5:00 pm +Doug Furlong; The Family +Allen Hanley; Marie Hanley
Sunday, October 26, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Our Parish Community After Mass Coffee Sunday 11:00 am Maryhill

READINGS FOR October 25/26

First Reading: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

Second Reading: 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel Reading: Lk 18:9-14

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR :

Mon., Oct 20	Rev. Paul Niesiobedzki
Tues., Oct 21	Rev. Paul Patrick
Wed., Oct 22	Consecrated Virgins
Thu., Oct 23	Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean Pierre
Fri., Oct 24	Rev. Archange Kebe
Sat., Oct 25	Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE	10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg – Library 7:35 p.m. First Reconciliation Parent Meeting
THU	9:30 a.m. Fish Fry Set-up – Hall 3:15 p.m. Children's Choir Practice – Church 7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A.
FRI	5:00 p.m. Fish Fry – Church

MINISTRIES for October 25/26

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm	Patsy & Steve Pond
9am	Cheryl Dunn, Ron Stemmler, Iris Miltenburg

Hospitality

5pm	Marilyn Hurlburt, Marianne Kieswetter
9am	Linus & Pat Ditner, John Bruder

Lector

5pm	Tom O'Marra
9am	Ellen Siebel-Achenbach

Commentator

Judy Furlong
Wally Malcolm

Altar Servers

9am	Breea, Scarlett, Allyson
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Children's Liturgy

Oct 26 Sandi Hutchinson, Anna Jakeman

Sign Ministry

Oct 21 Sandi Hutchinson

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For collaboration between different religious traditions – Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Corn Niblets and
Canned Meat (Ham, Turkey or Chicken)

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today is World Mission Sunday. At the initiative of Pope Pius XI in 1926, the second last Sunday during October became known as World Mission Sunday. Catholics through the world are invited to pray for and give to the missions. The collection today is organized by the Pontifical Missions Society. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples.

Thank you to all those who helped with the Feast Day to make it a very fruitful and beautiful celebration.

R.C.I.A., the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, is a process of learning about the Catholic Faith. We invite those interested in discerning about the Catholic Faith and/or joining the Catholic community to contact me, Iris or the Parish Office.

We will see you all at the Fish Fry.

Fr. Peter Meyer

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH VOLUNTEER

APPRECIATION on Sunday, November 2nd at the St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall from 1 – 3 p.m. All volunteers are welcome to come and join us. Volunteers from: Coffee Sunday, Choir, Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus, Prayer Shawl Program, Altar Servers, Finance Committee, Sacristans, Money Counters, Parish Pastoral Council, Children's Liturgy, Sacramental Preparation for First Communion, Confirmation and R.C.I.A., Gardening Committee, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Commentators, Christmas Pageant organizers, Hospitality Ministers, Decorating Committee, Youth Group Committee, Funeral Ministry, Sign Ministry and Garden Party Committee. We very much appreciate your volunteering of time and talent and would like for you to come and enjoy our reception.

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **FISH FRY on Friday, October 24, 2025** here at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall. There will be continuous seating from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Take-out will be at 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Please bring your own take-out bag as we are trying to save the environment. Purchase your tickets by calling Rick Weishar at 519-577-5928, after weekend Masses or at the Parish Office between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Tuesday to

Thursday) or call 519-669-3387. Cost is Adults \$20.00; Children (aged 6 to 12 years) \$12.00; Children (aged 5 and under) Free; and Take-out is \$20.00. 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 **October 23rd and 24th**. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Please consider volunteering your time to help out with this worthwhile event. Thank you.

Looking to serve your parish and community with purpose? Representatives from our Knights of Columbus Council will be available during the **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** on **Sunday, October 26th** offering free registrations to join the Knights of Columbus. As an online member, discover how you can become part of a brotherhood rooted in faith, charity, and fellowship. **After Mass, stay for Coffee Sunday, hosted by the Council.** Please join us.

AN INVITATION TO ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH - On **Sunday, October 26th** you are invited to learn more about the Catholic Women's League (C.W.L.) Council here at St. Teresa during our Membership Drive! We invite all women ages 16 and up to consider joining us where you can feel the strength of faith, love, friendship, and service that binds us together as Catholic women. Current members will be available to answer any questions you may have while you enjoy Coffee Sunday with the parish!

A **JUBILEE CELEBRATION** will be held on **Sunday, October 26, 2025** at 2:00 p.m. in St. Mary Church, Kitchener. Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will preside the Jubilee Mass. All parishioners of our Waterloo Deanery are invited to the celebration of this special Mass.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR TINY HOMES: men's jeans, men's and women's t-shirts, running shoes, sweatshirts, hoodies, track pants, rain and spring jackets, sleeping bags, tents and umbrellas. Please place items in the containers in the cloakroom.

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS MONTH – October is Diocesan Vocations Month. Please pray for the men and women of our diocese who are discerning their vocations to marriage, priesthood, the permanent diaconate, the dedicated single life, and consecrated life, that is, as a consecrated virgin living in the world, or as a religious priest or sister. Since it is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, you are encouraged to offer the Rosary, in particular, the Luminous Mysteries, for vocations. For more information about prayer for vocation, visit:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/pray-for-vocations/>. Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

ELMIRA DISTRICT COMMUNITY LIVING'S CHARITY AUCTION – **Friday, October 24th and Saturday, October 25th**, held at Elmira Produce Auction Cooperative, 7400 Reid Woods Drive, Elmira. On October 24th is the Beef Brisket Dinner for \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door which

includes brisket on a bun, beans, potato salad and a drink. A kid's meal is \$8.00 which includes a hot dog, drink and chips. You can purchase online at charityauction.bid/edcl or in person at 118 Barnswallow Drive, Elmira. On October 25th it is the Auction Day. Auction Day begins with Outdoor Auction at 9:30 a.m., General Auction at 10 a.m., Silent Auction from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., New Furniture Auction at 12 noon, Quilt Auction at 1 p.m. and a Treasure Table and Bake Sale Friday night and Saturday.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – From **September 24th to November 2nd, 2025** we invite you to join with over a million volunteers across North America who will simultaneously participate in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are encouraged to get involved by Prayer and Fasting for an end to abortion, as well as attending a Peaceful Vigil outside of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener for an allocated hour between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., seven days a week. You can sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing Evy at 40DaysKW@gmail.com or calling 519-970-0822. It is very important that you sign up BEFORE coming to the vigil site as this prevents one of the committee or emergency back-up members from driving out to the site.

Woolwich counselling is offering workshops this fall.

SUPPORTING CHILDREN WHO ARE ANXIOUS WORKSHOP, virtual parenting workshop on **Wednesday, October 29th** from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The fee is \$10.

EMOTION EXPLORERS GROUP, in-person group, ages 5-8 on **Thursdays, October 30th – November 27th** from 4:30 -5:30 p.m. The fee is \$150.

To register, please visit

<https://woolwichcounselling.org/upcoming-events/>. Further subsidies available if needed.

LECTURES IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE Presents "I have seen the Lord" The Transforming Power of Mary Magdalene's Proclamation on **Thursday, November 6th** at 7:30 p.m. at the SJ1 Classroom and Library Building, Notre Dame Chapel, St. Jerome's University. The speaker is Fr. Tim Uniack, C.R. He will uncover the transforming power of the story of Mary Magdalene, asking the questions about her life that often lie unanswered. A lady of such significance in Jesus's journey, yet someone whose profound story is so little mentioned, acknowledged, or understood. To learn more or to register for the lecture go to Ticketfi website. The lecture is also available to live-stream. This live-stream link will be emailed in a reminder email 24 hours prior to the lecture date. Please select "Live-stream ticket" at time of checkout. Space is limited so register now.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offertory collection for October 11/12:	\$ 4,958.25
Building & Maintenance Fund Balance:	\$75,320.81

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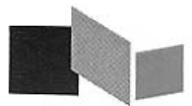
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