

Fifth Sunday of Easter

EASTER IS THE TIME when we both remember and celebrate the new life which has come to us through our Risen Lord. What do we mean by this “new life”? Can you say that you have experienced this “new life” this Easter or, for that matter, in any previous Easter? Are you aware of becoming changed in any way – for the better – over the years? Or has the Easter experience simply passed you by?

The word “new” appears several times in today’s readings. The “new life” that the Scripture speaks of is also referred to as “conversion”, a turning round, or, in Greek meta-noia. In the Gospel Jesus speaks of the foundation and heart of his teaching and message. These are his parting words to his disciples before he goes to his passion and death. What is this message? He tells us is to love other people – and to love them as he has loved us. This, he says, is a “new” commandment. The Hebrew Testament told us to love God with our whole heart and soul and so on; and to love our neighbours as ourselves. Jesus has added a new element in telling us that the true test of discipleship is to love other people in the same way that he has loved us.

Be gentle to all and stern with yourself.
St. Teresa of Avila

Vocation

The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

 **Prayer Network:**

For those not on the internet there is an envelope on the bulletin board at the main entrance marked ‘PRAYER NETWORK’. Please take a copy of the prayer intentions inside this envelope and pray for fellow parishioners.

Pope’s Pastoral Works Collection May 25/26

This collection is taken up in the Easter Season to support the Pope’s Pastoral Services as head of the Church and to contribute to his works of charity. There will be extra envelopes in the pews if you do not have church envelopes.

Family Day Blessing at both Masses on May 25/26. Each family will receive a special blessing. Continuing through the rest of the year, there will be a family blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

Mass Intentions – On Father’s Day, **June 16th**, we will accept multiple mass intentions. Call the office if you would like to make a request at 519-743-4525.

Mass Intentions May 20 - 26, 2019

<p>Tuesday, May 21 - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, May 22 - 8:30 a.m. +Leona Grobe – <i>Peter Grobe</i></p> <p>Thursday, May 23 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. +Betty Millen – <i>MH & Hugh Stroeder</i></p> <p>Friday, May 24 – 8:30 a.m. +Maria Canhoto – <i>Quilting Group</i></p> <p>Saturday, May 25 - 9:00 a.m. +Richard Campeau – <i>Jane Richard</i></p> <p>Saturday, May 25 - 5:00 p.m. +Leona Grobe – <i>Peter Grobe</i></p> <p>Sunday, May 26 - 10:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish</p>
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**Stewardship Report
 May 5, 2019**

Envelopes.....	\$2,159.00
Loose.....	214.25
Building and Maintenance.....	60.00
Easter.....	10.00
Votive Candles.....	24.75

Building and Maintenance Collection

We had the extra ‘Building and Maintenance’ collection this weekend due to the Pope’s Pastoral Works Collection being next weekend, May 25/26. This is to help the parish with many repairs and upgrades needed to keep the church in good condition. We would really appreciate your help. There will be extra envelopes left in the pews.

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar 2019

- Monday, May 20 – Rev. Frank Freitas
- Tuesday, May 21 – Rev. William Foote
- Wednesday, May 22 – Institute of Kkottongnae Sisters of Jesus
- Thursday, May 23 – Rev. Lourdy Dorismond
- Friday, May 24 - Rev. Michael Isabelle
- Saturday, May 25 – Rev. Antonio Cunha
- Sunday, May 26 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Save-the-Date – CWL’s 60th Anniversary

St. Teresa Catholic Women's League is celebrating 60 years of service to God and to Canada on **Saturday, June 8th**. We will have Mass at 11 a.m. followed by a Vincenzo's catered lunch in the Parish Centre. Tickets for the lunch will be sold after both Masses for the next three Sundays. Tickets are \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. We hope you will help to make this a great celebration. Because this is a catered, event tickets will be sold no later than June 2nd. Please join us! For more information please call Pat Crawford at 519-885-9593. All member and former members are invited to attend.

Clean up of Church Grounds and Gardens – Saturday, May 25th. All ages are invited to come even if just for a couple of hours. (Young children must be supervised). Bring rakes, shovels, brooms and gardening tools. Light lunch will be provided. We need your help!! Let's start to make our lawns and gardens beautiful!

The Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) is coming to St. Teresa Parish. Fr. Marian Gil has been involved in LSS retreats and has seen the heart-warming transformation it can work in people's lives -- bringing peace to individuals, and reconciliation to families. YOU can experience the joy of having a personal relationship with the Lord. All it takes is your openness to the Holy Spirit.


The LSS will run over 7 weeks, every Friday evening from 7:00 - 9:00 pm beginning **May 17, 2019**. This event is open to all, including non parishioners, 19 years and older -- and it's free! In the next few weeks we will be hearing more about LSS. Please keep an open heart and an open mind.

Got questions? Contact Mila Navaleza at 519-579-8276 or email Mila at mlnavaleza@gmail.com. You can also email Fr. Marian Gil: mariangil@icloud.com.

KW Right to Life Walk for Life on May 25th. Registration 10 a.m. at Historic St. Paul’s, 137 Queen St. S. Kitchener. The Walk begins at 10:30 a.m. (3 km) Prizes – Draws – Good Food - Win a \$150 Gift certificate. Special guest; Stephen Woodworth. Call 519-746-5433 for pledge and walk information or email jane@kwrtl.ca

Marymount Cemetery Spring Memorial Mass

On **Saturday, May 25th** at 11:00, Most Reverend Matthew Ustrzycki, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton, will celebrate the Spring Memorial Mass at Marymount Cemetery in Guelph. All are welcome to attend! For more information, please call (519) 836-8814, or visit www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca.

 Matinee at 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. on **Saturday, June 8th** at the Charities Bingo Hall, 510 Krug Street, Kitchener.

Baby Bottle Campaign

Today is Mother’s Day and St. Teresa’s is proud to participate in the 20th anniversary of the Baby Bottle Campaign! Marillac Place relies heavily on the generosity and assistance from our community to keep its doors open. Volunteers will be handing out baby bottles at the back of our church today. Please support this significant cause by filling it with your spare change and return it to the Church on Father’s Day! All proceeds from the campaign will go directly to the operations of Marillac Place and creating an immediate impact on the residents.

Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region 40th Anniversary - The Catholic Charities Lottery:

Please join us for appetizers and refreshments, while mingling with past and present board members of The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region, and regional dignitaries in celebration of our 40th Anniversary on **Tuesday, May 21st** from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at The Atrium, St. Jerome's University, 290 Westmount Rd. N., Waterloo. Speeches and cake cutting ceremony at 5:15 p.m. Don't forget to register you and your guest!

Mission Appeal for “Daughters of the Sacred Heart”

Daughters of the Sacred Heart is a religious institute founded by Madre Maria Teresa Nuzzo in Malta. Our ministry includes education, both academic & moral, caring for the poorest of the poor, young and less privileged children, victims of AIDS, formation of youth and social activities in rural and remote areas in India, Kenya, Tanzania and Philippines. The sisters spread the devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus into the hearts of everyone. The sisters from the congregation will be here at St. Teresa’s at our weekend Masses on **June 1st/2nd**, preaching a mission appeal to support their mission.

SRI LANKA RED CROSS Fund Raiser Concert at St. Agnes Parish in Waterloo on Sunday, May 26th at 2 pm, will host a fundraising concert event featuring award-winning recording artist, Chris Bray. Also featuring local rising star and winner of Wellesley Idol, Rachel Regier, from St. David’s HS. There are no tickets required to attend, a free-will offering will be accepted at the door with all proceeds going towards helping victims & families of the recent Easter attacks. All ages welcome! <http://bit.ly/pluginstagnes>

 **Euchre Results**

- High Score – Bob Schmidt
- Most Lone Hands – Bill Zister
- Low Score- Derek Nakluski
- 1st Draw – Mary Alice Zister / 2nd Draw – Erma Williams

Next game night will be **Friday, June 14th** at 7 p.m.