# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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# **Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

September 12, 2021

# St. Teresa of Avila

"To have courage for whatever comes in life - everything lies in that."



# **Parish Staff & Organizations**

**Pastor:** Fr. Marian Gil, OMI **Parish Secretary:** Mary Steffler

Business Administrator: David Agnew

Facilities Manager: Jack Pigeau

Volunteer Gardeners: Jim Weber, Stella Lemieux, Fatima Pacheco, Magie Navaleza, Betty Skinner Baptism Preparation Team:

**CWL President:** Mary Alice Zister **Lector Co-ordinator:** Mary Steffler **Eucharistic Minister Co-ordinator:** 

Kim Voelzing

# **Adoration Chapel Co-ordinators:**

Herb Altman – 519-893-4793 or Rosemary Mussar – 519-743-5656

# Prayer Group:

Mila Navaleza - 519-574-8534 or 519-900-0250

## **Finance Council Chair:**

Don Pickett, Jr.

# **Pastoral Council Chair:**

Barbara Daly

# St. Vincent de Paul:

Bernie & Rosemary Pickett 519-749-1501

# St. Teresa School

Principal: Mr. Brian Goodyear

Secretary: Mary Lavigne

519-743-2131



### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday - Office Closed

# Saturday Liturgy:

Sunday Liturgy:

weekly schedule

Weekday Schedule

Please check inside for

9:00 a.m. (except in August) 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

**Confession:** 30 min. before Mass; Sat., 4:15 – 4:45 p.m.

**Healing Mass:** First Friday of each month

(September – June) – 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting: Temporarily suspended

# 24<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's reading is the turning point in Mark's Gospel (Mark 8:27-35). In the presentation of the life and ministry of Jesus found in the Gospel of Mark, the deeds of Jesus have shown Jesus to be the Son of God. Yet many, including Jesus' disciples, have not yet realized His identity. In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the disciples for a field report by asking what others say about Him. He then turns the question directly to the disciples and asks what they believe. Peter speaks for all of them when he announces that they believe Jesus to be the Christ.

# "BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU?" HE ASKED. "WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?" PETER ANSWERED, "THE CHRIST OF GOD."

Now that the disciples have acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, Jesus confides in them the outcome of His ministry: He will be rejected, must suffer and die, and will rise after three days. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely. The image of Christ that Jesus is giving is not the image of the Messiah that Peter was expecting. Jesus then teaches the crowd and the disciples about the path of discipleship: To be Christ's disciple is to follow in the way of the cross. This is the kind of radical commitment and sacrifice that Jesus calls us to adopt for the sake of the Gospel.

Prayer is an act of love; words are not needed. Even if sickness distracts from thoughts, all that is needed is the will to love.

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# Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar 2021

September 13 – Rev. Roger Yaworski, S.J.

September 14 – Rev. Daniel Syauswa Musondloi, S.J.

September 15 – Salesians of St. Don Bosco (S.D.B.)

September 16 – Rev. William Clarke, S.J.

September 17 – Rev. Gregory M. Kennedy, S.J.

September 18 – Rev. Paul Panaretos, S.J.

September 19 – Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **Vocations**

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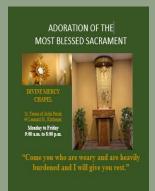
"Who do people say that I am?" Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Most Reverend Wayne Lobsinger, VG, EV, Auxiliary Bishop & Vocations Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 x2222.

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

# Serra Prayer for the Perseverance of Vocations

O God, You have constituted Your onlybegotten Son supreme and eternal Priest for the glory of Your majesty and the salvation of mankind; grant that those whom He has chosen ministers and dispensers of His mysteries may be found faithful in fulfilling the ministry that they have received.

Amen.



# **Adoration Chapel**

The Divine Mercy Chapel is now open for Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The Chapel will be open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. If you are willing to dedicate even 15 minutes of your time, please contact the parish office and

we will place you on the list. We require at least one person per hour for adoration. Following the restrictions of the Ontario Health Ministry, we can have a maximum of 2 people in the chapel at a time

Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to come and spend some time with the Lord! Jesus is waiting for you!

Mass Intentions for 2021 – The offering of Mass for the deceased, the sick, a personal intention, in thanksgiving, a special intention such as an anniversary, birthday, etc. is an act of deep faith and a most excellent way of remembering a loved one. Please call the parish office if you would like to request a Mass.

**Parish Records** – We would be most grateful if you could notify the office of any changes you have experienced, most especially any changes to your address, phone number and email. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

# **Pastoral Care of the Sick**

If a loved one or family member is seriously sick, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office early, so that the sick person is able to make a good Confession and receive the sacraments while he/she is fully aware. Thank you for your assistance in ensuring we provide good pastoral care to your family and loved ones.

# Parish Office – Important Up-dated Information

Our Parish Office is open Mon., Tues., Thurs. and Fri. from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. As parish offices reopen, protocols have been established by the Diocese of Hamilton to do this safely. At this time, admittance to the parish office is by appointment only and you are required to wear a mask. Please call or email the parish office at 519-743-4525 or st.teresa@stteresakit.ca to make an appointment, if you need any assistance.

# Mass Intentions September 13, 2021 – September 19, 2021

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 - 7:00 p.m. Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

+ Howard Kavelman – CWL

Wednesday, September 15, 2021 – **8:30 a.m.** *Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows* 

+ Larry Wismer – Joan Wismer

Thursday, September 16, 2021 – **8:30 a.m.**Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,
Bishop, Martyrs

**For healing for Mikhael Montalban** – *Montalban Family* 

Friday, September 17, 2021 – **8:30 a.m.** 

+ Roque Montalban Sr. – Montalban Family

Saturday, September 18, 2021 –

9:00 a.m. – + Maria Genyk – Jean Giles

**5:00** p.m. – + George Tschirhart – *Pat Wilkins* 

Sunday, September 19, 2021 – **10:00 a.m.** – **Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time** – Year B – **Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish** 

# **Live-streaming on Zoom**

The **10 a.m. Sunday Mass** will be live-streamed. To join Father, click on the following link:

<a href="https://zoom.us/j/5887658626">https://zoom.us/j/5887658626</a>

Password: 274733

#### **Daily Readings:**

Lectors may find daily readings at this link: https://readings.livingwithchrist.ca

# **Baptism**

This Sunday, through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome:

Sawyer Ronald Sweeney Rowen Richard Sweeney

sons of

**Ronald and Stephanie Sweeney** 

# St. Teresa of Avila – Parish Feast Day

The Memorial of Saint Teresa of Avila, October 15, 2021, is fast approaching. If the weather permits, we would like to organize coffee and donuts following our celebration at the 10 a.m. Mass, on October 17, 2021. On this occasion, I would like to extend an invitation to all parents and students of St. Teresa School to join us for this solemn celebration honouring the patroness of our parish and school. A few weeks before this celebration, we'll have a registration form on our website and ask parents to register. If we have more people than we can accommodate in our church, then we will host an outdoor Mass on our parking lot. To help us prepare for this celebration we will pray a Novena to St. Teresa of Avila. Please continue to check the bulletin for news on this upcoming celebration.

**St. Teresa School Students** – Welcome back students and staff. We look forward to seeing you as you come to school and invite you and your families to join us for Mass, here in the Church.

# Parish Security and Keys – Important Information

As of July 28, 2021, following diocesan policy, we have replaced the locks to the church, parish hall and rectory. Since many people had keys and access to the buildings and due to recent times and vandalism in churches across Canada, we wanted to make sure that we provide a safe and secure environment for our parishioners and also provide security for this sacred space. Beginning September 2021, any parish group wishing to use our facility will need to pick up a key from the parish office and return it to the office following the meeting. If you have any questions or need more information, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

Masks and Safety Protocols – Responding to the needs and concerns of parishioners and following the instructions from the diocese, we have decided to assign the first pew on the left side of the church for those, who for medical reasons, are unable to wear masks. We encourage all parishioners to follow the protocols so that everyone feels welcome and safe at our church.

**Special Collection** – Next weekend, **September 18/19, 2021** there will be a special collection for The Needs of the Canadian Church. This collection is taken up on the 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time and gives support to Catholic Missions in Canada.

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the

# Novena to Little St. Therese, September 23rd to October 1st, 2021

Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to:

Carmel of Saint Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1 St. Agatha, ON NOB 2L0





We are currently accepting applications for the following opportunities:

### **Lunch Hour Supervision**

Please visit our website for job details and application criteria: www.wcdsb.ca

# Prayer to St. Joseph



Remember, O St. Joseph, loving and powerful protector, that according to the testimony of your faithful servant, great St. Teresa, no one who is truly devoted to you Has seen his petition rejected. Filled with confidence and hope I come to you, worthy Spouse of Mary Immaculate. Do not close your gars to my prayer, you who have the glorious title of father of Jesus, but graciously hear and intercede for me.

Amen.

# **Stewardship Report**

It is a wonderful blessing to once again gather as a parish community, in the church, albeit at a reduced capacity. We would ask you to continue to keep our parish in your prayers and prayerfully consider continuing your donations. Thank you to those who continue to remember the parish through financial donations - We appreciate your continued support!

We have several ways to support our parish - Pre-Authorized Giving, E-Transfer, credit card and donations can be dropped off in the collection basket after Mass or at the Parish Office.

For more information or if you require the necessary forms, please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish. This is an act of generosity and faith and we are very grateful for any contributions you may be able to make at this time

# Stewardship Report August 29, 2021

Envelopes\$	2851.00
Loose\$	114.00
Building and Maintenance\$	110.00



# Thank you, Thank you!!

A big thank you to the volunteers who helped us to clean the church this past week – Fatima Pacheco, Doris Paleczny, Marysia Baczek, Malgorzata Straszak, Magie and Marlowe Navaleza, Betty Skinner and Hugh McDonald. Your hard work and dedication are greatly appreciated!



