

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate  
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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 7, 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:**

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

**Weekday Schedule**  
Please check inside for weekly schedule

**Sunday Liturgy:**

10:00 a.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

**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The gospel reading (Mk 12:38-44) today presents a great faith of a widow. Here a poor widow made the highest donation in the Temple with just two small coins even though there were also the well-offs who doled considerable sums of money. Jesus praised her action in contrast to the rich who gave greater sums because she gave from her heart and with love. "Love is more precious than gold." The bible emphasized that it was not just that she gave two small coins, but "all she possessed".

**“Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”**

The central message of today’s gospel is the overwhelming faith of this poor widow. In her poverty, she was enormously courageous. She took hard decisions by emptying her reserves and investing them in God believing that He will not disappoint her. The action for her was a special kind of prayer and investment. By giving what she had, she offered also all her needs and worries to God. It really paid off, God never disappointed her.

**“You pay God a compliment by asking great things of Him.”**

St. Teresa of Ávila

**Prayers for the Faithful Departed** – Masses were celebrated from November 2 – 6, in their intention. You are also invited to light a candle in their intention and place it into the special light container in front of the altar. Throughout the month of November, we will be praying the rosary, before each Mass, in the intention of our loved ones. Please join us in these spiritual exercises.

**Plenary Indulgence** – The Vatican has extended the period of time when people can earn a plenary indulgence for visiting a cemetery and praying for the souls of the faithful in purgatory. The indulgences traditionally obtained during the first week of November can be gained throughout the entire month of November. Indulgences are granted when a Catholic, visits a cemetery to pray for the dead, goes to Confession, attends Mass and receives the Eucharist and prays for the intentions of the pope.

An indulgence is a remission of the temporal punishment one deserves for one's sins; people often will seek the indulgence on behalf of a loved one who has died or, for an unknown soul in purgatory. The church teaches that prayer, particularly the Mass, and sacrifices may be offered on behalf of the souls in purgatory.

Diocese of Hamilton  
Prayer Calendar 2021

- November 8 – Rev. Jeffery Oehring
- November 9 – Rev. Francesco Cucchi
- November 10 – Deceased Members of our Parish Community
- November 11 – Rev. Mark Gatto
- November 12 – Rev. Paul Patrick, O.M.I.
- November 13 – Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.
- November 14 – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Vocations**

**Thirty-second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
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How are you contributing to the treasury? God knows what gift we give to Him in love. Let us then be faithful to whatever vocation God calls us to live. Does Jesus want you to give your life to the Church? If you think that God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, call Most Reverend Wayne Lobsinger, VG, EV, Auxiliary Bishop & Vocations Director, Diocese of Hamilton at:  
(905) 528-7988 x2222

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

*Serra Prayer for Vocations*

O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech You, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Saint Joseph her spouse, Saint Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of labourers for Your church, fellow labourers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever. Amen.

## Adoration Chapel



The Divine Mercy Chapel is now open for Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament,

**Monday to Friday,  
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

Please see the Chapel Guidelines as you enter the chapel. To sign up, please call the parish office - 519-743-4525.

**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 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](mailto:st.teresa@stteresakit.ca) to make an appointment.

**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 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.

### PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION

**November 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.** Holy Mass with the Rite of Enrollment for Communion Candidates.

### Mass Intentions

**November 8, 2021 – November 14, 2021**

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 – **7:00 p.m.**  
*Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*  
+ **Maria Genyk - CWL**

Wednesday, November 10, 2021 – **8:30 a.m.**  
*Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church*  
**Ann & Joe Pickett – 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**  
– *Judi Murray*

Thursday, November 11, 2021 – **8:30 a.m.**  
*Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop*  
**For healing for Mike Lefevre - Ken**

Friday, November 12, 2021 – **8:30 a.m.**  
*Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr*  
**For healing for Aeryn Paradis & Family – Lolo, Lola, Tita Magie & Marlowe**

Saturday, November 13, 2021 –  
**9:00 a.m.** – + **Marlene Fritz** – Bob & Marlene Crane  
**5:00 p.m.** – + **Ludwig Ceh** – *Theresa Ceh & Family*

Sunday, November 14, 2021 – **10:00 a.m.** –  
**Thirty-third 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:

<https://zoom.us/j/5887658626>

Password: 274733

### Daily Readings:

Lectors may find daily readings at this link:

<https://readings.livingwithchrist.ca>

## Daylight Saving Time Ends

**Sunday, November 7, 2021**

**2:00 a.m.**

Remember to turn your clocks back **one** hour before retiring for the evening, on Saturday.



**Sunday Missals – 2021-2022** –The Living with Christ Sunday Missal will be available beginning this Sunday. We encourage parishioners to purchase a copy of the 2021/2022 Sunday Missal, as we begin the new Liturgical Year on November 28, 2021. The missals will be available on the table at the back of the church. The charge is \$5 and we ask that you please bring the exact change.

**Hamilton Seminarians 2021-2022 – Prayer Cards**  
The Seminarian cards are now available at the back of the church. Please remember to keep our seminarians in your prayers; and if you pick up the prayer card, you can pray for each of them by name.

**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.

St. Teresa Parish  
Catholic Women’s League  
Presents  
An Online Silent Auction



**Consider Making a Donation**

Please consider donating new items, gift certificates, your skills or talents! We will be accepting items until Friday, November 12.

**Donation Drop Off**

Donations can be dropped off at  
862 Union St. Kitchener  
Please call or email Jenn before dropping off  
(519) 744-8284 jenreitzel@yahoo.com

Items can also be dropped off at  
483 Anndale Rd. Waterloo (off Lexington)

**Donation Pick Up**

If you would prefer to have your donation picked up, please email stteresacwl@gmail.com and we will arrange a time to come by.

**Auction Dates**

The auction will take place between Sunday, November 21 and Sunday, November 28.

More details to come!

Supporting this event, will help us to  
Provide gifts for sacramentals, support  
Local charities, our adopted family in  
India, Mass cards for the deceased and  
shut-ins

**Stewardship Report October 31, 2021**

Envelopes .....	\$ 2031.00
Loose .....	\$ 63.40
Building and Maintenance.....	\$ 510.00
World Mission Sunday .....	\$ 65.00
Candles .....	\$ 224.95

**Prayer to St. Joseph**



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH  
December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021

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 ears  
to my prayer,  
you who have the glorious title  
of father of Jesus,  
but graciously hear  
and intercede for me.

Amen.



**CWL Membership**

November is membership month. The membership fee continues to be \$25. Please place your membership into the envelope provided with your parish envelopes, into the collection basket.



**World Meeting of Families – Hamilton Diocese Speaker Series** - On March 19<sup>th</sup> we entered into the Amoris Laetitia Year of Family. Pope Francis, in calling this special year, reminded us that this is “a great opportunity for Catholics to renew their commitment to family ministry.” **Beginning in January of 2022**, the Diocese will be organizing a speaker series with a new topic each month through until June. The presentations will be by Zoom to allow for more involvement throughout the Diocese and to avoid any issues that COVID may cause for in person gatherings. We will start with a three-part series on Amoris Laetitia in January. Check the Diocesan website for more information about both the year and the Diocesan Speaker Series at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

**The 2021 – 2023 Synod of Bishops** brings an invitation from Pope Francis to embark on a journey together. How can you get involved? Offer your thoughts on how we can deepen our communion in the Lord and how all members of the Church can participate more fully in its mission. Visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about>.

**Arise and bear witness: A Young Adult Celebration of Diocesan World Youth Day 2021** - Join the young adults of Hamilton Diocese as we gather together to celebrate the Diocesan Day of Prayer for Young People on the Feast of Christ the King.

- **When:** Sunday, November 21, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- **Where:** St. Margaret Mary Parish – 20 Idlewood Ave, Hamilton
- **What:** Evening Mass with reflection by Msgr. Murray Kroetsch, PH, VG

This is an in-person and virtual event – for more details and registration please go to:

<https://bit.ly/DOHyoungadults>.

**Heartache to Healing  
St. Michael Grief Support Group  
Coping with Christmas**

Grieving the loss of a loved one at any time is difficult but it can seem all the worse as we approach the Christmas season. Join us for a video and discussion. **Wednesday December 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 - 7 p.m. – Parish Centre (doors open at 6:30 p.m.).**

**Registration is required by Wed., November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021** by phoning or emailing our Parish office at (519-884-9311 / [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca)).

All Covid precautionary requirements will be in place. Participants will be required to provide contact information and masks must be worn.



**Melissa K. Nelson, PhD**  
**RE-STORING THE  
MEDICINE LINE AS  
INDIGENOUS LAND  
GUARDIANSHIP**

Friday, November 12, 2021 | 7:30 p.m.

Native spiritual practices have always been about land. Today, First Nations groups in Canada and the US are engaged in significant political, cultural, and spiritual work to reclaim ancestral lands and their traditional roles as land guardians. At a time of profound climate disruption and converging crises, First Nations leaders are asserting and renewing their sacred relationships with other-than-human kin like totem animals and elements like water and fire. The revitalization of land guardianship roles and practices is often characterized as protecting the medicines of the land so that they can continue to give life to all of creation. This movement is a claim to territorial and spiritual sovereignty. Join us, by using the following link:

<https://www.sju.ca/lce>

**TAKE-OUT FISH FRY** – The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a TAKE-OUT FISH FRY on **Friday, November 19, 2021**. Pick up of orders will be at the St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall Entrance, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. Cost is Adults \$20.00; Children (12 & under) \$10.00. Orders will be available for pick up from 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. When you purchase your ticket, please indicate the time you plan on picking up your order. **Tickets are available until November 17<sup>th</sup>**. Tickets are on sale beginning November 6<sup>th</sup>. They can be purchased at the St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office, Elmira between 9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m. or call **(519) 669-3387**. Proceeds go to the Knights of Columbus Charities.