

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18, 2022

St. Teresa of Ávila

“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

Baptism Preparation Team:
CWL President: Mary Alice Zister
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Kim Voelzing
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Herb Altman – 519-893-4793 or
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Prayer Group:
Magie Navaleza - 519-588-8668
Finance Council Chair:
Don Pickett, Jr.
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Barbara Daly
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Bernie & Rosemary Pickett
519-749-1501

St. Teresa School
Principal: Mr. Chris Luciani
Secretary: Connie Rawski
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

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel (Luke 16:1-13) this Sunday speaks about stewardship. A steward is a person who is made responsible to handle the goods and property of his employer. The steward in the Gospel today was a bad steward because he was wasteful of his master’s property. He was going to be fired so he took steps to guarantee his future employability. And “the master praised the dishonest steward for his shrewdness”.

Jesus obviously told this story not to encourage dishonesty but to draw attention to the foresight of the steward. And so, I tell you this: **“use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity.”** Jesus’ choice of a “steward” in today’s passage is altogether to the point. We need to be constantly reminded that we are the stewards and never the owners of what we possess. We have no absolute right to anything we have. “I can do what I like with my money and property because it’s mine” is not a statement any committed Christian can make. So, the question of a successful life is not “How much did you make?” but “How did you use what you had to creative purposes for the general welfare of all?” That is the way to make the friends Jesus talks about in the Gospel.

“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much.” (Lk 16: 10)

The passage concludes with three morals for the listeners. The first exhorts the listener to be prudent about the use of wealth. Like the steward in the parable, those who would follow Jesus must put transitory affairs in proper perspective. Christians should handle the affairs of temporal life with an eye toward eternal life.

The second concerns trustworthiness. Those who can be trusted in small things can also be trusted in great things. If Christians handle money and other passing things responsibly, then they can also be trusted with the affairs of the Kingdom of God.

Finally, Jesus tells his listeners that no one can serve two masters simultaneously. God must be put ahead of money.

Family Connection

Talk with your children about some things that they have done to show that they can be trusted. Talk a bit about what it means to be responsible. Responsibility often means that we put aside something of passing value for something of greater value.

Accustom yourself continually to make many acts of love, for they enkindle and melt the soul. St. Teresa of Ávila

Diocese of Hamilton
Prayer Calendar

- September 19 – Rev. Francesco Cucchi
- September 20 – Rev. Mark Gatto
- September 21 – Chancery Staff
- September 22 – Rev. Patras Samuel Masih
- September 23 – Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.
- September 24 – Rev. Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba
- September 25 – **Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Vocations

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 18, 2022**

We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact:

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton,

(905-528-7988)

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

or

**Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate
Vocation Office**

71 Indian Trail, Toronto, ON M6R 2A1

vocations@omiap.org

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.

The Divine Mercy Chapel – Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place in the Divine Mercy Chapel, **Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.** Please see the Chapel Guidelines as you enter the chapel. **We are currently in need of someone for Wednesdays from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.** If you can assist with this hour or would like to sign up for one of the other hours, please call the parish office at 519-743-4525.

Records/New Parishioners – If you are new to the parish – Welcome! Please call the office and we would be pleased to forward a Parish Registration form to you. If you are a parishioner, it would be greatly appreciated if you could notify the office of any changes.

Mass Intentions for 2022 – 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.

Pamphlets, Posters, Articles – If you wish to leave articles, posters or pamphlets in the narthex or on the bulletin board, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Thank you to Jack Pigeau & Coffee Sunday

This Sunday, **September 18th**, following the 10 a.m. Mass. Please join us for treats and fellowship with other parishioners in the Parish Hall, as we thank our Facilities Manager, Jack Pigeau, who is retiring. This is not good-bye, but thank you! We thank Jack for his dedication and for the tremendous amount of work he has done here in the parish. We hope Jack will continue worshipping in our community and sharing his talents with all of us; and we wish him God's richest blessings.

Stewardship Report September 11, 2022

Envelopes	\$ 1813.00
Loose	\$ 329.10
Building and Maintenance	\$ 80.00
Votive Candles	\$ 34.35
Easter	\$ 5.00
Pre-Authorized Giving – August ..	\$ 1817.00

Thank you for your support of our parish.

Mass Intentions

September 19, 2022 – September 25, 2022

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 – **7:00 p.m.**
Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, Priest; and Paul Chõng Ha-sang, and Companions; Martyrs

Group Mass Intentions

+ **Maria Heydel-Mankoo** – *Elisabeth*
 + **Krystyna Feliksik** – *Elisabeth*

Wednesday, September 21, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**
Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
 + **Mary Helen Stroeder** – *Joan Wismer*

Thursday, September 22, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**
Theresa Hutflusz – *Estate of Theresa Hutflusz*

Friday, September 23, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
 + **Mary Helen Stroeder** – *Fil Sawarna*

Saturday, September 24, 2022 –
9:00 a.m. + **Mila Navaleza** – *Friend*
5:00 p.m. – + **Carl Hergott** – *Barb Hergott*

Sunday, September 25, 2022 – **10:00 a.m.** –
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time –Year C – 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>

SPECIAL COLLECTION – Next weekend, September 24/25, 2022, there will be a second collection for the Needs of the Canadian Church, which will take place after Holy Communion. This collection is taken up on the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time and gives support to Catholic Missions in Canada.

**First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion
Confirmation
Registration Meetings**

Registration forms have been sent home with Grade 2 students and Grade 7 students at St. Teresa School and we wish to remind parents and candidates of their upcoming meetings. The meeting for **First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion** takes place next Sunday, **September 25, 2022** following the 10 a.m. Mass. The meeting for **Confirmation** will take place **October 2, 2022** following the 10 a.m. Mass. These are mandatory meetings and we ask that you bring the completed registration forms to the meeting. If your child does not attend St. Teresa School and you wish them to receive either of these sacraments, please call the parish office.

Mass – Sunday, September 25, 2022 – We invite all staff, students and teachers at St. Teresa School to join us next Sunday, September 25th for the 10 a.m. Mass. We will pray for them, in a special way.



Evenings with His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, continue this fall at St. Ann's Parish, Ancaster. Class is the second Friday of each month, beginning September 9th at 7:00 p.m. For more information, visit the Parish website: <https://stannparish.ca/>. The next class is October 14th.



**Hamilton Diocese
Marian Days 2022
Basilica of Our Lady
Immaculate, Guelph**



Join brothers and sisters from around the Diocese in honouring Our Blessed Lady, for the last Marian Day of the year, with Bishop Crosby, on October 1, 2022, at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. Join us for Confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Holy Mass with Bishop Crosby at 10:00 a.m., the Solemn Crowning of Our Lady with Rosary at 11:00 a.m., and The Queen's Tea at 12:00 p.m., honouring the crowning of the image of Our Lady. Cost for lunch is \$20.00 payable at the door. Call the Basilica to reserve your spot: (519) 824-3951.

**Memorial Mass for
Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II**

A Memorial Mass for Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, will be celebrated at the **Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate**, Guelph on **Monday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome.

Parish & Community Fun Day – St. Agnes Parish, 75 Bluevale St. N., Waterloo is very pleased to invite you and your family to a Parish and Community fun day on **Saturday, October 1st from 12-7:00 p.m.!** Enjoy a fabulous German meal from the Berlin 95 Food Truck and finish with dessert from Funnel Cloud Food Truck! The kids will be invited to join in on the fun on a Bouncy Castle! In addition to the fun outside, we will be holding a Used Book and Puzzle Sale downstairs in the Parish Centre. All are welcome to join the fun! For more information, contact the parish office: 519-885-4480

ReStart – Start over after separation or divorce with care and tools for your journey. We invite you to check the Diocesan website at:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php> to see the programs and to find the dates of programs for the fall of 2022. Finding support and gaining strength can help as you journey forward. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.



**Act II for Separated and Divorced
Monthly Sessions –
3rd Tuesday of every month**

Has your marriage ended? Are you in need of support to adjust to your new life? Act II is a new, informal support group for those who are experiencing separation, or divorce. With the support of others, you can begin to heal the emotional, social, and spiritual devastation of divorce.

**Join us: The 3rd Tuesday of every month
beginning September 20, 2022**

Time- 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Place – St. Michael Catholic Church (Parish basement)

Address – 80 University Ave. W. Waterloo, ON

Relax, experience support, make new acquaintances and see a glimmer of hope for a healthy and satisfying life. You are not alone. There is no fee. Join when you can. Bring a friend. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced), or contact our Parish office for more information (parish@stmichaelw.ca, or call 519-884-9311).

**Heartache to Healing
Six Week Program - Fall 2022**



Heartache to Healing - Grief Support Group
St. Michael Parish, 80 University Ave. W., Waterloo
Wednesday evenings – October 19 - November 30
7-8:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

To register by October 5th, contact our Parish office
519-884-9311 or email parish@stmichaelw.ca

All in need are welcome to this program which is designed to assist people after the death of a loved one, or after another significant loss. The program follows a process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an expert in grief and an experienced leader in grief counselling. Everyone is welcome. There is no fee, but you must register by October 5th. Visit our website for more information at www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support.

**Heartache to Healing
Monthly Support Sessions**



Heartache to Healing at St. Michael Parish – a Monthly Grief Support Group – Beginning September 14th

Join Us on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 7-8:30 p.m.!

This group is open to anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one, or another significant loss. The group allows for more sharing with one another, which is proven to be beneficial for healing. The 6-week Spring and Fall program St. Michael's runs offers more theory with some sharing and group support, so is a different program. You can attend when you're able to, or monthly, whatever works best for you. For more information visit www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support or contact our Parish office (parish@stmichaelw.ca).

Career Opportunity: St. Francis of Assisi Parish is now accepting resumés for the position of Administrative Assistant/ Bookkeeper at St. Francis Parish, Kitchener. You can view the [Job Description by clicking here](#). Interested parties, please send your resumé to stfranciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com.

40 Days for Life, Kitchener – This year, our annual campaign aimed at saving lives of those who can't speak for themselves, will take place between September 28th - November 6th. Please join us for the Opening Rally to Kick-Off this year's 40 Days for Life at St. Anthony Daniel Parish, 29 Midland Dr., Kitchener, on Tuesday, September 27th with Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by refreshments, fellowship and an opportunity to sign up for hours.

Pilgrimage Mass at St. Agatha Shrine of Our Sorrowful Lady will be held **this Sunday**, September 18th at 3 p.m., inside and outside the Chapel Shrine. The Seven Sorrows Rosary will precede the Mass at 2:30 p.m. The celebrant will be Father George Nowak, C.R. Bring a lawn chair, as the chapel has limited seating. Archangels Sacramentals will have a table set up, should you wish to purchase precious Sacramentals. Our Lady of Sorrows Shrine is open every Sunday from 1-4 p.m. until the end of September.

Rosary to Pray for Canada with a statue of Our Lady of Fatima – Every Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the corner of King and Benton St., Kitchener.



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Heritage Day
Sunday, September 18, 2022**

11 a.m. Mass – 11:45 a.m. Mary Grotto – 12 noon car tour of the area shrines – 1:00 p.m. lunch (hosted by the CWL). Presentations, 50-50 Draw & Silent Auction. Tickets required for lunch – \$15. Email: maryhillroots@gmail.com or (519) 242-9595 or any board members.



We are currently accepting applications for the following opportunities:

- **Occasional Teachers**

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