

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

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St. Teresa of Ávila

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



Parish Staff & Organizations

Pastor: Fr. Marian Gil, OMI

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Taek Jong (TJ)
Maximus Han

Parish Secretary: Mary Steffler

Business Administrator: David Agnew

Custodian: Scott Piggott

Baptism Preparation Team:

CWL President:

Lector Co-ordinator: Mary Steffler

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519-590-5348

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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.
No Sunday Confession

Healing Mass: First Friday of each month
(September – June) – 7:00 p.m.

June 11, 2023 – Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (*Corpus Christi*)

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day was once called Corpus Christi, which is Latin for “Body of Christ.” In a way we have already celebrated this feast. We did so on Holy Thursday, in Holy Week. On that occasion, the emphasis was on the institution, the gift of the Eucharist, to us, as one of Jesus’ last acts before His suffering and death. Now the emphasis is on practical implementation of this gift. In many parts of the world, there will be a solemn and joyful procession of the Blessed Sacrament through the parish grounds or even through the public streets. **“Going to communion” is not a private “receiving” but a sharing,** an eating together of the one Bread and the shared drinking of the one Cup.

This one Bread and one Cup represent Jesus in His Risen Body; it includes not only Jesus, but the whole community present. We recognize in the sharing, not just the individual Jesus coming to me, but Jesus in His Body, of which we are all part. Some people ask why they have to come to Mass and why they cannot pray at home. Of course, they can pray at home and sometimes that is a better place to pray - but, Mass is not just a time for praying; it is a time for celebrating community. That cannot be done at home; we can only do that together. **A good Eucharist is the sign of a living community.** A boring Eucharist is the sign of a dead one. The more we become aware of Christ living and acting in and through us as His Body, the more meaningful will be our gathering around His table.

Today’s Gospel is taken from the Gospel according to John (J6:51-58). The reading is part of a discourse between Jesus and a crowd of Jews. **Jesus tells the crowd that He is the bread of life.** He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now, God has sent new manna, that will give eternal life.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus

On the Friday after the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Church was born from the pierced heart of Jesus on the cross. In the first creation, Eve was born from the side of Adam. In the new creation, the Church was born from the side of Jesus. The Bride from the Heart of the Bridegroom! When the soldier thrust his lance into Jesus’ side, immediately blood and water flowed out. Every Year, on this Solemnity, the Church celebrates the Sanctification Day for the Clergy. **Please pray for your parish priests and make some spiritual sacrifices on that day, in their intention.**

Mass Intentions June 12, 2023 – June 18, 2023

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 – **No Mass**
Memorial of St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Wednesday, June 14, 2023 – **No Mass**

Thursday, June 15, 2023 – **No Mass**

Friday, June 16, 2023 – **No Mass**
Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, June 17, 2023 – *Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

9:00 a.m. – In thanksgiving for and for the intentions of Father Marian Gil, O.M.I. and all priests

5:00 p.m. – + Tom Hennebry – Chris Hennebry & Family

Sunday, June 18, 2023 – **10:00 a.m.**

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A – Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish.

Vocations

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained, religious or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate religious or consecrated life, contact:

Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations:

905-528-7988; vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

June 12 – Rev. Bernard Carroll, S.J.

June 13 – Rev. William Clarke, S.J.

June 14 – Discalced Carmelite Fathers (O.C.D.)

June 15 – Rev. Eric Jensen, S.J.

June 16 – **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus –**

World Day of Prayer for Priests

June 17 – **Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

June 18 – **Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visiting & Holy Communion to the Sick – All those who are visiting the sick and taking Holy Communion to them or family members are asked to come to the Sacristy before Mass and sign in. Please leave your pyx in the Sacristy. You will receive the pyx in the new hand-painted pouches after the Communion Prayer, before the Final Blessing.

Farewell BBQ for Father Marian Gil, OMI

All are invited to our farewell BBQ for Father Gil which will take place on the last Sunday of June – June 25, 2023 after the 10 a.m. Mass. This is an opportunity to thank Father Gil for his ministry here at St. Teresa Parish and wish him well as he leaves to take up his new pastoral duties at St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish, Hamilton. Thank you to the Parish Pastoral Council and the Finance Committee for organizing this event. Father Gil has requested no monetary gifts, but would be very pleased to receive cards with messages as to how his ministry has influenced your life.

Baptism

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

Xavier McKinley Ringwald

son of

Jesse Ringwald and Whitney McKinley

Flowers and Gardens – Thank you to all those who have volunteered to assist with maintaining our church gardens: Michael Felinczak and Diana Valdes Valle – lower parish office flower bed; Magie Navaleza – upper parish office flower bed; Ann and Michael Onn – Grotto; Angela McNeill – right hand side of church flower bed. We are still in need of 3 families for the St. Teresa flower bed, the chapel flower bed and for the combined little flower bed in front of Grotto and lower driveway flower bed. Please contact the parish office at 519-743-4525, if you would like to assist. For those who would like to aid in covering the costs of the flowers, envelopes are available at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

Pierogies Fundraiser in support of World Youth Day

Thank you to all those who purchased pierogies in support of World Youth Day. A special thank you to Supreme Pierogies (Mr. Joseph Wilk) for supporting this project and to all those who have made donations. A summary of our fundraising efforts will be coming soon.

The Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle for the Religious and Laity - All are invited to this Cenacle Prayer on **Tuesday evenings** from **7:30 - 8:30 p.m.**, following the evening Mass. For more info: <https://mmpcanada.ca/> or join us Tuesday evenings.

Stewardship Report – June 4, 2023

Sunday Offerings	\$ 1767.00
Votive Candles	\$ 65.85
Building Fund	\$ 60.00
Cura Pastorum	\$ 20.00
Pre-Authorized Giving – May 2023	\$ 1747.00

We are most appreciative of your ongoing prayerful and financial support.

HAMILTON DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS – These days will be celebrated on the first Saturday from June to October 2023 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The day will start with Confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by Mass at 10:00 a.m., Rosary Procession at 11:00 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 p.m., Holy Hour and Marian Catechesis at 1:00 p.m. The day will close at 2:00 p.m. with Benediction. Please see bulletin board for more information.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT – July 1st - Our diocesan Vocations Office invites all young adults (ages 20s & 30s) of our diocese to attend our Canada Day Young Adults Night. Arrival and Holy Hour in the church (6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.), social with food, testimony/talk and Compline (9:00 p.m.) in the Hall followed by Canada Day Fireworks from the Hill. Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). For more information: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

TO INFORM, ENCOURAGE AND HEAL – June is Indigenous History Month in Canada. We invite you to take time in this season to learn more about the Catholic Church's commitment to ongoing reconciliation efforts with Indigenous communities through a four-week learning opportunity through the VLCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation). To learn more about this study, visit: www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

IN PERSON VISITS WITH THE SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE ARE BACK! If you are interested in having The Saint John's Bible visit your parish or school, visit our website for programming information and booking details. Virtual and hybrid programming available, too!
<https://hamiltondiocese.com/stjohnsbible/>

Guelph Walking Pilgrimage: 20th Anniversary Aug 5 – Aug 12

Walk from Loyola House, Guelph to Martyr's Shrine, Midland. Participate for 1 day, a weekend or 8 days! Cost \$400 for 8 days or \$75 per day. We transport your camp equipment, provide meals, snacks, drinks. To register: www.ignatiusguelph.ca (under programs) or guelphwalkingpilgrimage@gmail.com
NOTE: registration deadline is June 20, 2023. See poster on our bulletin board.

St. Teresa Parish is proud to participate in the **Baby Bottle Campaign**, in support of **Marillac Place**. Marillac Place relies heavily on the donations from our community to help mothers and mothers-to-be who are facing homelessness. The Baby Bottle Campaign will be primarily virtual. Please provide your support for the campaign by donating online or sending a cheque directly to Marillac Place. Thank you so much for your support. To donate now, scan this QR code with your smartphone camera. For more info: (519) 571-0722 x 2, or email: admin@marillacplace.ca; www.marillacplace.ca
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