

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

Eucharistic Minister Co-ordinator:
Kim Voelzing

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Elizabeth Heydel- Quintanilla –
519-590-5348

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Finance Council Chair:
Don Pickett, Jr.

Pastoral Council Chair:
Barbara Daly

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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.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel (Matthew 9:36-10:8), Jesus shares His mission to proclaim the kingdom of heaven with His disciples. The signs of the kingdom's presence consist of the work that Jesus has already been doing: the sick are cured, lepers are cleansed, demons are driven out, and the dead are raised to life. The disciples are sent to continue doing the work that Jesus has begun. This is a moment of transition in Matthew's Gospel. The focus has shifted from the ministry of Jesus to the work of the community that He has inaugurated. More than any other Gospel, Matthew's Gospel elaborates on the work of the Church, which is to continue after Jesus' death and resurrection.

The Gospel reports that Jesus commissions twelve disciples. Many scholars believe that the twelve disciples symbolize the twelve tribes of Israel. It designates, therefore, continuity between Israel and the Church.

Matthew lists the names of the twelve disciples, as do Mark and Luke. Matthew also uses the word apostle when referring to the Twelve. The word apostle means "one who is sent." In this context, Matthew is calling attention to the mission that the twelve disciples are being given. They are sent by Jesus to proclaim the kingdom of heaven in word and deed.

As Jesus sent His disciples to continue His work and mission, so too the Church is sent by Jesus. The Church is His continuing presence on earth. Every member of the Church is sent by Jesus to contribute to this mission.

Family Connection

Invite a family member to read aloud today's Gospel, Matthew 9:36-10:8. In this Gospel, Jesus sends the disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. Point out that the disciples are called to work together just as family members must work together. Pray together that your family will always work together as a family to help one another. Pray that your family can be a model for other families. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

Vocations

"The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." If you feel God is calling you to be a priest, religious, permanent deacon or consecrated virgin, contact:

Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations:

905-528-7988; vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

or

Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate Vocation Office

71 Indian Trail, Toronto, ON M6R 2A1

vocations@omiap.org

Mass Intentions

June 19, 2023 – June 25, 2023

Tuesday, June 20, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

Group Mass Intentions

+ **Loni Griesshaber** – Lamers Family

+ **Janet Hammar** – Theresa Hammar

+ **Wilma Tenbult** – Ann & Michael Onn & Family

Wednesday, June 21, 2023 – 8:30 a.m.

Memorial of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

Intentions of Helene Meier – Ken & Betty

Thursday, June 22, 2023 –

8:30 a.m. - + Delmar Ferreira – Citelia Ferreira

Friday, June 23, 2023 – 8:30 a.m.

+ **Mary Fetter** – Fetter Family

Saturday, June 24, 2023 – *Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist*

9:00 a.m. – + John Novak – Helene Meier

5:00 p.m. – + Ludwig Ceh – Theresa Ceh & Family

Sunday, June 25, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

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

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

June 19 – Very Rev. Paul Panaretos, S.J.

June 20 – Rev. Franjo Sprajc

June 21 – Comboni Missionaries (M.C.C.J.)

June 22 – Rev. Wieslaw Berdowicz, S.Chr.

June 23 – Rev. Valentine Onwunjiogu

June 24 – **Nativity of Saint John the Baptist – Patron of French Canadians**

June 25 – **Twelfth 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.

Flowers and Gardens – Thank you to all those who have volunteered to assist with maintaining our church gardens. 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!

Farewell BBQ for Father Marian Gil, OMI

On Sunday June 25th we will be saying goodbye to Father at our parish BBQ following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. We hope you will join us to celebrate him and wish him many blessings as he moves on from St. Teresa's. Please bring your lawn chairs. There will be hamburgers, hotdogs, salads, desserts and beverages. Free will offerings to cover expenses will be gratefully accepted.

Volunteers Needed for BBQ

Volunteers are needed before and after Mass for setup, serving food and cleanup. There are sign up sheets at the back of the church or email bmdaly@me.com if you are able to help out.

CWL members are asked to provide green salads or pasta salads. Please contact stteresacwl@gmail.com or call Mary Alice at 519-578-2019 if you are able to contribute.

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:

Charleigh Grace and Colton Manuel Tyler Docherty
daughter and son of
Bryce Tyler and Brooke Docherty

St. Teresa School Graduation

The Graduation Liturgy (*no Mass*) will take place this Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 6 p.m. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the students as they close this important chapter in their education. It was wonderful to journey with them as they came, not only to St. Teresa School, but also to our parish to gain knowledge, wisdom, and most importantly to grow in their faith. **May the good Lord continue to bless them and protect them as they start another phase in their life journey. Congratulations and God bless!**

Stewardship Report – June 11, 2023

Sunday Offerings	\$ 1816.15
Votive Candles	\$ 53.90
Building Fund	\$ 285.00
Building Fund – In mem – L. O'Donnell	\$ 20.00
Cura Pastorum	\$ 656.80
Easter	\$ 10.00
Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 5.00
Needs of Church in Canada	\$ 5.00

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

Building Fund Collection – There will be a second collection next weekend – June 24th/25th.

Father's Day Intentions

+ Edwin Joseph Dillon	+ Franz Novak
+ Antonio Felice	+ Philip Onn Sr.
+ Michael Forte	+ Bernard Tenbult
+ Hans Forthuber	Leo Klages
+ Fritz Hammar	Michael Onn
	Philip Onn Jr.

Happy Father's Day

This Sunday, we not only honour our fathers, but we also show our gratitude and love towards them, in a special manner. As a parish community, we pray for you, so that you may know that you are not alone in this mission. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the fathers, a Happy Father's Day. May God continue to bless you with wisdom, courage, patience and love, so that you can be the best fathers.

The Serra Club would like to thank all who participated in the Holy Hour, Mass and gathering in the parish hall on June 2nd. Special thanks to those who registered to join us to pray for Vocations.

FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM – Young people entering grade 10 in September are invited to register for the Frassati leadership program. This year long program is designed for young Catholic leaders who want to expand their Catholic leadership skills and grow in their relationship with Christ and their communities. For registration and more information please visit:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/youth-ministry/frassati>.

FACES OF ABORTION TOUR: Every day in Canada, nearly 300 children are killed by abortion – faceless and nameless. To bring an end to the killing and spare parents the trauma of abortion, we need to bring the culture face to face with the victims of abortion, to rehumanize those who have been dehumanized. This summer, CCBR is going on a national tour across the country. At each stop, there will be educational street outreach during the day and an evening presentation on The Faces of Abortion and how to take action to **End the Killing**. **Local stop: Tues., June 20th at 7:00 p.m. - Trinity Bible Chapel (1373 Lobsinger Line, Waterloo).**

For more details and other stop locations visit:

<https://www.endthekilling.ca/tour/>

If you'd like to join local outreach during the day, please contact Charity at cwielinga@endthekilling.ca.

For more information regarding the tour and our work at CCBR please visit <https://www.endthekilling.ca/tour/> or our Facebook event page <https://rb.gy/d6omx>