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Weekday Liturgy Schedule

Parish Office Hours Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri Tuesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. (Adoration @ 6:00) Thursday & Friday Mornings: 8:30 a.m.

Saturday Morning: 9:00 a.m. (excluding August)

Wednesday: Office Closed Please check inside for schedule changes.

Saturday Liturgy: 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Sunday Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Adoration and Mass: First Friday of each month. Adoration at 6:00 p.m. Mass at 7:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME! Please introduce yourself to Father Stefano Lee and complete a registration form located in the pamphlet rack at the church doors.

PARISH RECORDS: Our parish records are very important and we try to keep them as up to date as possible. Please advise the Parish Secretary if you change your address or telephone number.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment. Baptisms will be scheduled for the last Sunday of the month. Please contact the pastor to schedule individual baptisms.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

30 min. before Mass; Sat., 4:15-4:45 p.m. No Sunday Confession.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Engaged couples contact Parish Priest one year in advance.

HOSPITAL & HOME VISIT/SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Please inform the parish office to arrange a pastoral visit. For hospital emergencies, a priest is always on call through the hospitals.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Divine Mercy Chapel and First Fridays at 6:00 p.m. in the church.

Co-ordinator: Sandra Nakluski - 226-789-1259

PARISH BULLETIN: News items for the bulletin must be into the parish office *in writing* by noon on Sunday.

Vocations: www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

PARISH BEQUEST: Keep your love for your parish alive! Please remember St. Teresa of Avila Parish in your Will and when recommending your expressions of sympathy.

Prayer to St. Michael, the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou.

O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

Series – Catechism of the Catholic Church Section Two – Paragraph 4. The Creator

I. Catechesis on Creation (Part 4)

289 Among all the Scriptural texts about creation, the first three chapters of Genesis occupy a unique place. From a literary standpoint these texts may have had diverse sources, the inspired authors have placed them at the beginning of Scripture to express in their solemn language the truths of creation - its origin and its end in God, its order and goodness, the vocation of man, and finally the drama of sin and the hope of salvation. Read in the light of Christ, within the unity of Sacred Scripture and in the living Tradition of the Church, these texts remain the principal source for catechesis on the mysteries of the "beginning": creation, fall, and promise of salvation.

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Mass Intentions November 3, 2025 – November 9, 2025

Tuesday, November 4, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

Thursday, November 6, 2025 - 8:30 a.m.

+ Adolfo Couto – Tina Barbosa

Friday, November 7, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

+ **Donald & William Lamka** – *Lamka Family*

Saturday, November 8, 2025

9:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m. – Jason Hoch & Family – Jean Giles

Sunday, November 9, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

November 3 – Very Rev. David Walter

November 4 – Rev. Emmanuel Ralte, C.S.C.

November 5 – Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton

November 6 – Widows

November 7 – Rev. Carlos Diaz

November 8 – Rev. Fulbert Jonas Ahouansou

November 9 – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Stewardship Report – October 26 th , 2025		
Sunday Offerings	\$ 2	2,355.00
Building & Maintenance	\$	639.45
Initial Offerings	\$	20.00
Votives	\$	28.30
World Mission Sunday	\$	150.00
October Direct Deposit Donations	\$ 1	1,284.00
October E-transfer Donations	\$	305.00
October CanadaHelps Donations	\$	122.80

We are most appreciative of your ongoing prayerful and financial support for our parish, St. Teresa of Avila, especially during our present time of financial need.

Donations to the parish can be made through the use of Sunday Offertory envelopes, Pre-Authorized Giving, E-Transfer, and CanadaHelps.

When you are traveling, please consider switching to E-transfer donations in your absence.

If you require further information on how to give, please contact the parish office, or visit the parish website for more details.

Parish Announcements

Daylight Savings - November 2nd

Don't forget that clocks fall back on hour on November 2^{nd} at 2:00 a.m.!

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Fr. Stefano will honour the deceased beginning on November 1st and ending November 30th. The Book of Life will be placed in front of the altar along with an offering box. Names of the deceased can be written in the Book of Life, and offerings can be made in memory of them.

Parish Calendar Fundraiser

St. Teresa of Avila Church is once again producing a parish calendar as part of our fundraising efforts. The theme for the 2026 calendar is Mary.

Through this calendar, we hope to strengthen the sense of belonging among the members of St. Teresa of Avila Church and provide support to the parish's financial needs, which have continued to be strained. We also hope that through this fundraising effort, the faith of our parishioners will deepen, and the bonds within our community will grow stronger.

To support the parish, you can donate a certain amount under your name or family's name to the calendar project along with your prayers. Please contact the pastor or the parish office for details. A receipt for tax purposes will be issued at the end of the year.

First Friday Mass - November 7th

A reminder that our First Friday Mass will take place in the evening at 7:00 p.m., with a Holy Hour beginning at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Mass. There will be no 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Coffee Sunday - November 9th

Join us for this month's Coffee Sunday on November 9th following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. This month's theme is Remembrance, in honour of Remembrance Day on November 11th.

Divine Mercy Chapel

We have openings in the chapel for Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m., Thursdays at 2:00 p.m., and Fridays at 11:00 a.m. Come and spend a quiet hour with Jesus. Please contact Sandra Nakluski - 226-789-1259.

Anniversary Blessing

Married couples celebrating an anniversary who wish to have their marriage blessed and do vow renewals, please contact the parish office to arrange with Fr. Stefano.

Children's Liturgy - Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help run our Children's Liturgy on Sundays at the 10:00 a.m. Mass during the school year. Without new volunteers, we will be unable to offer Children's Liturgy this year. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact the parish office.

Crafting Days at St. Louis Parish

Come and join us on Saturdays, November 8 and/or December 6 between 10 AM – 3 PM for an opportunity to work on your craft with others: sewers, quilters, scrapbook makers, knitters, crocheters, needlepoint workers, etc. If you have a craft that is portable, you are welcome to join us. Bring your own

lunch. Coffee and tea are provided. Please come to the Large Hall in church basement via the elevator door. If it is locked, ring the doorbell and we will let you in. Irons, ironing boards & large tables available. No registration required, just come and enjoy a time of crafting and visiting. For more info. contact St. Louis parish office at 519-743-4101, stlouiswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com. Elevator entrance is accessible from Willow St. - take the driveway up towards the church, just past the old St. Louis School (now apartments).

Diocese Announcements

Children's Liturgy of the Word Workshop

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a rite which takes place during Mass and is a way to help children participate in the liturgy meaningfully. This age-appropriate liturgical experience prepares children to participate fully in Mass especially after receiving their First Communion. The cost is \$35.00. It is offered on **Saturday, November 8, 2025**, St. Matthew Parish, Oakville, ON, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Participants register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops.

Parenting Tip of the Month

One of the most important components of positive mental health is a sense of belonging. Family is the first place we feel this sense and the stronger the ties the more secure we feel. Belonging comes when we play and work together and yes, pray together. These shared experiences help us bond and set the foundation for family traditions that unite us in common understandings and joys. So clean, cook and tidy together, play games, go for walks, build forts and houses from boxes and pray before meals, bed and at Mass on Sunday. This foundation of who we are and where we come from will contribute to healthy and happy children and families. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

Wisdom of the Saints

"Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword; wear humility rather than fine clothes."

- St. Dominic

The Pope's Prayer Intention for November 2025

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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