

# St. Teresa of Avila Kitchener Diocese of Hamilton

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# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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**Parish Office Hours** 

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

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Liturgy Schedule Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri Tuesday Evening: 7:00 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) Please check inside for schedule changes.

Wednesday: Office Closed

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 3)

286 Human intelligence is surely already capable of finding a response to the question of origins. the existence of God the Creator can be known with certainty through his works, by the light of human reason, <sup>122</sup> even if this knowledge is often obscured and disfigured by error. This is why faith comes to confirm and enlighten reason in the correct understanding of this truth: "By faith we understand that the world was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was made out of things which do not appear." <sup>123</sup>

287 The truth about creation is so important for all of human life that God in his tenderness wanted to reveal to his People everything that is salutary to know on the subject. Beyond the natural knowledge that every man can have of the Creator, <sup>124</sup> God progressively revealed to Israel the mystery of creation. He who chose the patriarchs, who brought Israel out of Egypt, and who by choosing Israel created and formed it, this same God reveals himself as the One to whom belong all the peoples of the earth, and the whole earth itself; he is the One who alone "made heaven and earth". <sup>125</sup>

288 Thus the revelation of creation is inseparable from the revelation and forging of the covenant of the one God with his People. Creation is revealed as the first step towards this covenant, the first and universal witness to God's all-powerful love. <sup>126</sup> and so, the truth of creation is also expressed with growing vigour in the message of the prophets, the prayer of the psalms

and the liturgy, and in the wisdom sayings of the Chosen People. 127

Taken from: vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/\_INDEX.HTM

# Mass Intentions October 27, 2025 – November 2, 2025

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.** 

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.** 

+ Adolfo Couto – Tina Barbosa

Thursday, October 30, 2025 - 8:30 a.m.

Friday, October 31, 2025 – **8:30 a.m.** 

Saturday, November 1, 2025

9:00 a.m.

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

Sunday, November 2, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

### **Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar**

October 27 – Rev. John Ha

October 28 – Rev. John Schnurr

October 29 – Pallotine Fathers, S.A.C.

October 30 – Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel

October 31 – Rev. Wilson Andrade, C.S.C.

November 1 – All Saints Day

November 2 – Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed – All Souls Day

### Stewardship Report - October 19th, 2025

Sunday Offerings	\$ :	1,368.00
Building & Maintenance	\$	678.20
Votives		
World Mission Sunday	\$	335.00

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**

### Parish Fire Drill

To ensure we are prepared in the case of emergencies such as a fire, we will be having a parish fire drill

### **First Holy Communion**

Congratulations to **Lucas Andrew Rayas Dela Cruz**, who will receive First Holy Communion on Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at the 5:00 p.m. Mass!

during the 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses on October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> respectively. Please note that the fire drill is option, and instructions will be provided in advance.

# All Souls' Day & Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Fr. Stefano will honour the deceased beginning on November 1<sup>st</sup> and ending November 30<sup>th</sup>. 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.

## **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.

Waterloo Deanery Jubilee Year Celebration Our Jubilee celebration will be held on Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. in St. Mary Church, Kitchener. Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will preside the Jubilee Mass.

All parishioners of our Waterloo Deanery are invited to the celebration of this special Mass, especially deacons, all Parish staff and volunteers, representatives of our Catholic schools and other institutions and communities. All priests are welcome to concelebrate the Mass.

### **Diocese Announcements**

#### **Diocesan Vocations Month**

October is Diocesan Vocations Month. Please pray for the men and women of our diocese who are discerning their vocations to marriage, priesthood, the permanent diaconate, the dedicated single life, and consecrated life, that is, as a consecrated virgin living in the world, or as a religious priest, sister or sister. Since it is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, you are encouraged to offer the Rosary, in particular, the Luminous Mysteries, for vocations. For more information about praying for vocations, visit: <a href="https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/pray-for-vocations/">https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/pray-for-vocations/</a>. Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

### **Young Adults Night**

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night begins at (6:30pm and concludes with prayer at 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 1st at St. Basil's Church (50 Palace Street, Brantford). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton:

https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/ For information, contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

### 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.

## Wisdom of the Saints

"Great graces are often attached to what seems trifling."

- St. Margaret Mary Alocoque

### The Pope's Prayer Intention for October 2025

# For collaboration between different religious traditions:

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