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St. Teresa of Avila Kitchener
Diocese of Hamilton

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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Parish Office Hours

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Liturgy Schedule

Tuesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.
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.
Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor

Father Stefano Lee

Parish Office Administrator

Claire Rouleau

Business Administrator

David Agnew

Custodian

Kabsoo Park

Divine Mercy

Chapel Coordinator

Sandra Nakluski
226-789-1259

Parish School

St. Teresa School
Principal: Pamela Baillie
Secretary: Mena Carnevale
519-743-2131

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:

6:30-6:50 p.m. on Wednesdays, 8:30-8:50 a.m. and 4:30-4:50 p.m. on Saturdays.

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.

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.*

Series – Catechism of the Catholic Church

Paragraph 7. The Fall

Man’s first sin (cont’d)

401 After that first sin, the world is virtually inundated by sin. There is Cain's murder of his brother Abel and the universal corruption which follows in the wake of sin. Likewise, sin frequently manifests itself in the history of Israel, especially as infidelity to the God of the Covenant and as transgression of the Law of Moses. and even after Christ's atonement, sin raises its head in countless ways among Christians.²⁸⁷ Scripture and the Church's Tradition continually recall the presence and universality of sin in man's history: What Revelation makes known to us is confirmed by our own experience. For when man looks into his own heart he finds that he is drawn towards what is wrong and sunk in many evils which cannot come from his good creator. Often refusing to acknowledge God as his source, man has also upset the relationship which should link him to his last end, and at the same time he has broken the right order that should reign within himself as well as between himself and other men and all creatures.²⁸⁸

The consequences of Adam's sin for humanity

402 All men are implicated in Adam's sin, as St. Paul affirms: "By one man's disobedience many (that is, all men) were made sinners": "sin came into the world through one man and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all men sinned."²⁸⁹ The Apostle contrasts the universality of sin and death with the universality of salvation in Christ. "Then as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one man's act of righteousness leads to acquittal and life for all men."²⁹⁰

403 Following St. Paul, the Church has always taught that the overwhelming misery which oppresses men and their inclination towards evil and death cannot be understood apart from their connection with Adam's sin and the fact that he has transmitted to us a sin with which we are all born afflicted, a sin which is the "death of the soul".²⁹¹ Because of this certainty of faith, the Church baptizes for the remission of sins even tiny infants who have not committed personal sin.²⁹²

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**Mass Intentions
May 4, 2026 – May 10, 2026**

Tuesday, May 5, 2026 – **7:00 p.m.**
 Wednesday, May 6, 2026 – **7:00 p.m.**
 Thursday, May 7, 2026 – **8:30 a.m.**
 Friday, May 8, 2026 – **8:30 a.m.**
 Saturday, May 9, 2026
9:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m. – + Leona & Sheldon Grobe – Peter Grobe
 Sunday, May 10, 2026 – **10:00 a.m.**
Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

May 4 – Rev. Bradley Markus
 May 5 – Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger
 May 6 – Congregation of the Resurrection, C.R.
 May 7 – Rev. Khalid Karomi
 May 8 – Rev. David Reitzel
 May 9 – Rev. Joe S. Selvananyagam
 May 10 – **Sixth Sunday of Easter**
Mother's Day

Stewardship Report – April 26th, 2026

Sunday Offerings.....	\$ 1,495.25
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 965.35
Easter Donations.....	\$ 10.00
Votives.....	\$ 21.60

We are most appreciative of your ongoing prayerful and financial support for our parish, 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

Coffee Sunday – May 10th

This month’s Coffee Sunday will take place on May 10th following the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the parish hall. We invite you to join our us in celebrating the mothers in our community with coffee, tea and snacks!

Lectio Divina

Our parish is providing weekly copies of the Lectio Divina for parishioners. If you are interested, please

Baptism

On Saturday, May 2nd at 11:00 a.m., through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcomed:

Elodie Renée Fraser,

Daughter of

Quintin Fraser and Madeleine Fraser

Congratulations on your baptism, Elodie!

In Memory

Together, we remember Fr. Tom Moisan and Fr. Chris Buda, who passed away last weekend.

May they rest in eternal peace with our Lord, and may God grant them everlasting joy.

take a copy from the counter in the Narthex. Copies are made available on Tuesdays or Wednesdays every week.

First Holy Communion Information and Schedule

First Holy Communion Student Interviews are taking place this week on May 5th and 7th. If your child is registered to receive this sacrament, please be sure to schedule a time with Fr. Stefano to move forward with preparation for First Holy Communion. First Holy Communion will take place on May 30th at the 5:00 p.m. Mass and May 31st at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Confirmation Information and Schedule

We are now preparing students to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 21st at 7:00 p.m. The Confirmation Retreat and Rehearsal will take place on May 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Sacrament of Reconciliation Changes

Parish confession times have been updated to reflect our parish needs. Confessions will now be offered from 6:30 to 6:50 p.m. on Wednesdays and 8:30 to 8:50 a.m. and 4:30 to 4:50 p.m. on Saturdays.

Connecting with a Priest While in Hospital

Parishioners who are hospitalized and require a priest are encouraged to notify the hospital nurses, who will connect you with the chaplain. If the chaplain unavailable, they will help you connect with the on-call priest. If the on-call priest is unavailable, please contact Fr. Stefano by calling (519) 743-4525.

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.

World Youth Day Delegations

At this time we are looking for parish delegations (ages 18-35) to go to WYD, as well as donations to support. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Stefano.

Diocese Announcements

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass – Last Chance to Register!

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 1, 2025** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration can be found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com, or by calling Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

World Youth Day Seoul 2027

The young people of the world have begun their preparations to meet with the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV at the 41st International Celebration of World Youth Day, Seoul, South Korea. To learn more about this pilgrimage of faith, visit: <https://wydseoul.org/en>. Join us in praying for all young people discerning their participation from our Diocese.

Youth Ministry Certification Program

We are currently accepting enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program, which begins in September 2025. Join us as we explore the Practical strategies for youth ministry and the accompaniment of young people in our diocesan community. To review a full course list and for more information, please visit: www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

Wisdom of the Saints

“By being made partaker of our mortality, Christ made us partakers of his divinity.”

– St. Augustine

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for May 2026

That everyone might have food:

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

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