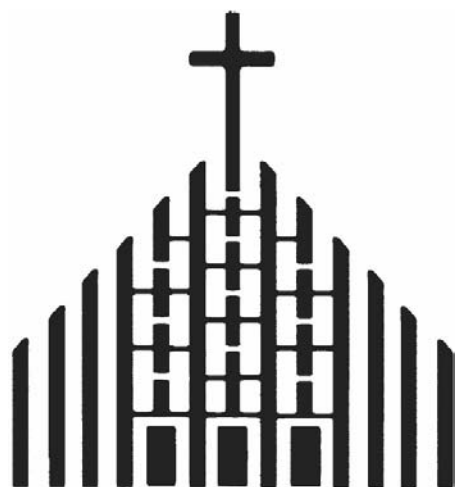




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**St. Teresa of Avila Kitchener
Diocese of Hamilton**

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.

**Wednesday:
Office Closed**

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.

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

Eunduk Hwang

Divine Mercy

Chapel Coordinator

Sandra Naklusi

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

Chapter Two: Article 3

Paragraph 1. The Son of God Became Man

I. Why Did the Word Become Flesh? (Cont'd)

Sick, our nature demanded to be healed; fallen, to be raised up; dead, to rise again. We had lost the possession of the good; it was necessary for it to be given back to us. Closed in the darkness, it was necessary to bring us the light; captives, we awaited a Saviour; prisoners, help; slaves, a liberator. Are these things minor or insignificant? Did they not move God to descend to human nature and visit it, since humanity was in so miserable and unhappy a state?⁷¹

458 The Word became flesh so that thus we might know God's love: "In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him."⁷² "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."⁷³

459 The Word became flesh to be our model of holiness: "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me." "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me."⁷⁴ On the mountain of the Transfiguration, the Father commands: "Listen to him!"⁷⁵ Jesus is the model for the Beatitudes and the norm of the new law: "Love one another as I have loved you."⁷⁶ This love implies an effective offering of oneself, after his example.⁷⁷

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

August 24 – Rev. Lourdusamy Subramani SMA
 August 25 – Rev. Michael Anderson
 August 26 – Missionary Sisters of Christ the King,
 M.ChR.
 August 27 – Rev. Patrick Ohl
 August 28 – Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
 August 29 – **The Passion of St. John the Baptist**
 August 30 – **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary
 Time**

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August 31 – Rev. Kevin D'Souza
 September 1 – Rev. Piotr Jurzyk
*World Day of Prayer for the Car of
 Creation*
 September 2 – Salesians of St. Don Bosco, S.D.B.
 September 3 – Rev. Robert Bulbrook
 September 4 – Very Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei.
 September 5 – Rev. St. John Iyekowa, O.S.A.
 September 6 – **Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary
 Time**

Mass Intentions**August 24th, 2026 – August 30th, 2026**

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 26, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 27, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.

Friday, August 28, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, August 29, 2026

**5:00 p.m. – Intentions of Ron and Alice Paleczny –
 Moser Family**

Sunday, August 30, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

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August 31st, 2026 – September 6th, 2026

Tuesday, September 1, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 2, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

+ Leone & William Gough – Stephen Woodsworth

Thursday, September 3, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.

Friday, September 4, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 5, 2026

9:00 a.m.**5:00 p.m. – + Ludwig & David Ceh – Theresa Ceh**

Sunday, September 6, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish**Stewardship Report – August 9th, 2026**

Sunday Offerings.....	\$ 1,290.00
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 331.95
Votives.....	\$ 21.00

August 16th, 2026

Sunday Offerings.....	\$ 1,467.95
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 157.25
Votives.....	\$ 16.00

**While you are traveling this summer, please consider
 switching to E-transfer donations in your absence.**

**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.**

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

Parish Announcements**Bulletin Schedule**

Our regular bulletin schedule resumes September 6th.

Goodbye & Best Wishes

As our dear parishioner Marilyn Scherrer moves to a retirement home and leaves our community, Fr. Stefano and parishioners will pray for her as she settles into her new home.

May God bless her in this new chapter!

Parish Office Closure & Staff Vacation

Please note that the parish office will be closed from August 24th to 28th while office and custodial staff are on vacation. Regular office hours will resume on August 31st.

First Friday Mass & Saturday Morning Masses

A reminder that the First Friday Mass will be held on September 4th at 7:00 p.m., with a Holy Hour prior to the Mass. Our Saturday morning Mass schedule resumes on September 5th.

RCIA Registration

We will begin RCIA in on Wednesday, September 30th following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, and would like to join these upcoming sessions, please contact the parish office.

Thursday & Friday Morning Mass Location

Please note that Thursday and Friday morning Masses will now be held in the Flower Room, due to reduced attendance numbers. First Friday Masses will continue to be held in the church as usual.

Donations for Liturgical Items

Our parish is currently accepting donations for the following liturgical items:

- Candles (2) - \$60
- Hosts (big & small) - \$30 & \$70

If you wish to support the purchase of these items, please place your donations in an envelope with a note about which item(s) you wish to contribute to in the collection baskets during Mass.

Lectio Divina Paused in August

Our parish will resume providing weekly copies of the Lectio Divina for parishioners in September.

Divine Mercy Chapel

Please note that the chapel now closes at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. Adorers are needed for 3:00 p.m. on Mondays and 2:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Please contact Sandra Nakluski - 226-789-1259.

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.

Support Our World Youth Day Delegates

At this time we are looking for donations to support parish delegates going to WYD in South Korea in 2027. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Stefano.

Diocese Announcements

Young Adults Night - Saturday, September 5th Fr.

John Ha, our new Vocations Director, 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 includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, September 5th at St. Mary of the Assumption Church (554 - 15th Street East, Owen Sound). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Wisdom of the Saints

“A Christian is:
a mind through which Christ thinks,
a heart through which Christ loves,
a voice through which Christ speaks
and a hand through which Christ helps.”

– St. Augustine

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for August 2026

For evangelization in the city:

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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