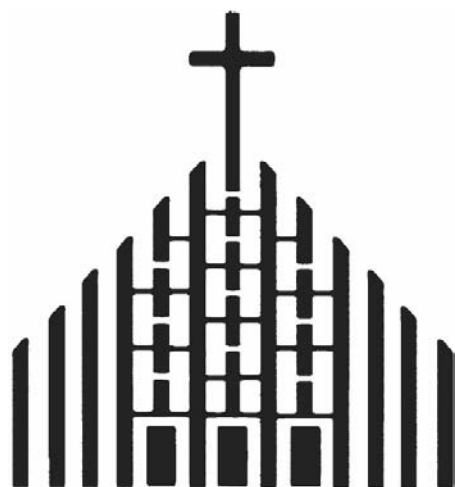




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Parish Office Hours

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.

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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.

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

III. True God and True Man (Cont'd)

467 The Monophysites affirmed that the human nature had ceased to exist as such in Christ when the divine person of God's Son assumed it. Faced with this heresy, the fourth ecumenical council, at Chalcedon in 451, confessed: Following the holy Fathers, we unanimously teach and confess one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: the same perfect in divinity and perfect in humanity, the same truly God and truly man, composed of rational soul and body; consubstantial with the Father as to his divinity and consubstantial with us as to his humanity; "like us in all things but sin". He was begotten from the Father before all ages as to his divinity and in these last days, for us and for our salvation, was born as to his humanity of the virgin Mary, the Mother of God.⁹¹

We confess that one and the same Christ, Lord, and only-begotten Son, is to be acknowledged in two natures without confusion, change, division or separation. the distinction between the natures was never abolished by their union, but rather the character proper to each of the two natures was preserved as they came together in one person (prosopon) and one hypostasis.⁹²

468 After the Council of Chalcedon, some made of Christ's human nature a kind of personal subject. Against them, the fifth ecumenical council, at Constantinople in 553, confessed that "there is but one hypostasis [or person], which is our Lord Jesus Christ, one of the Trinity."⁹³ Thus everything in Christ's human nature is to be attributed to his divine person as its proper subject, not only his miracles but also his sufferings and even his death: "He who was crucified in the flesh, our Lord Jesus Christ, is true God, Lord of glory, and one of the Holy Trinity."⁹⁴

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

September 21 – Rev. Grayson Hope
 September 22 – Rev. John Schnurr
 September 23 – Congregation of the Holy Cross, C.S.C.
 September 24 – Rev. William Trusz
 September 25 – Rev. Francis Chibuzor Ahuekwe
 September 26 – Rev. David Perrin
 Sts. Martyrs Canadiens
 September 27 – **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 World Day of Migrants & Refugees

Mass Intentions

September 21st, 2026 – September 27th, 2026

Tuesday, September 22, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 23, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 24, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.

Friday, September 25, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, September 26, 2026

9:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m. – + Leona & Sheldon Grobe – Peter Grobe

Sunday, September 27, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Stewardship Report – September 13th, 2026

Sunday Offerings.....	\$ 1,660.00
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 243.05
Mission Co-op Appeal.....	\$ 697.00
Donations for Liturgical Items.....	\$ 40.00

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

Lectio Divina

Beginning September 23rd, Fr. Stefano will read the Lectio Divina following every Wednesday evening following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. All are welcome to join. Our parish provides weekly copies of the Lectio Divina. If you are interested, please take a copy from the counter in the Narthex. Copies are made available on Tuesdays or Wednesdays every week.

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 and Fridays. Please contact Sandra Naklusi - 226-789-1259.

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place next weekend. When you give, your offering begins in our parish but reaches far beyond it. It helps support the mission of our diocese and joins

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

After the summer season, our parish is currently facing some financial challenges as we continue to meet the needs of our church and community.

We are grateful for the faithful generosity you have already shown in supporting our parish.

If you are able, we kindly ask you to consider increasing your support or making a special contribution at this time.

Every gift, large or small, helps us continue our ministry and care for our parish community.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Stefano Lee, Pastor

the gifts of Catholics across the country in supporting the shared work of the Bishops of Canada. Together, this support makes possible work that no single diocese or eparchy could accomplish alone such as providing catechetical resources for families, young people and parishes, to promoting respect for human life and the dignity of every human person and accompanying migrants and refugees. Your gift helps strengthen the Church here at home and supports its mission across Canada. Please give prayerfully and generously next weekend.

Children's Liturgy

Our parish's children's liturgy will resume on September 27th during the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

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.

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.

Blessing Requests

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. Please allow a minimum week's notice to arrange. If you require a house or car blessing, please contact Fr. Stefano or the parish office.

Diocese Announcements

Young Adults Night

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 begins at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 3rd at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton:

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

Hearts Renewed: A Franciscan Retreat Day

As we celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi during this Jubilee Year dedicated to his witness, **you are invited to step away from the demands of ministry and spend a weekend renewing your heart in God's presence.** Whether you serve in parish ministry, Catholic education, chaplaincy, or diocesan leadership, this retreat is an opportunity to be refreshed spiritually and return to your ministry with renewed hope, peace, and joy.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish (715 Centre Rd, Waterdown), Saturday, October 3, 2026 from 9:00am – 3:00pm.

Register here:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2026/07/hearts-renewed-a-st-francis-retreat-for-those-in-ministry/>

Wisdom of the Saints

"Jesus is happy to come with us, as truth is happy to be spoken, as life to be lived, as light to be lit, as love is to be loved, as joy to be given, as peace to be spread."

– St. Francis of Assisi

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for September 2026

For the care of water:

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

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