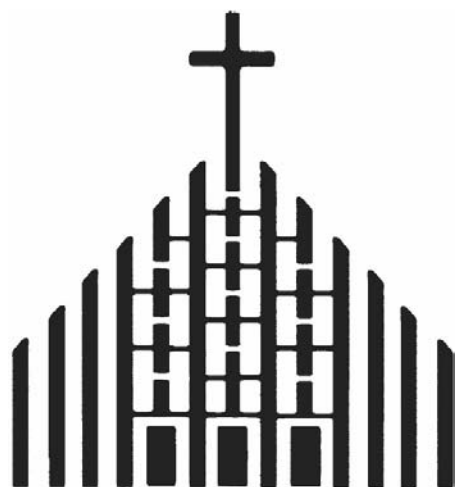




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**Parish Office Hours**

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](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

**Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton:** [www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://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)**

469 The Church thus confesses that Jesus is inseparably true God and true man. He is truly the Son of God who, without ceasing to be God and Lord, became a man and our brother: "What he was, he remained and what he was not, he assumed", sings the Roman Liturgy.<sup>95</sup> and the liturgy of St. John Chrysostom proclaims and sings: "O only-begotten Son and Word of God, immortal being, you who deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, you who without change became man and were crucified, O Christ our God, you who by your death have crushed death, you who are one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us!"<sup>96</sup>

**IV. How Is the Son of God Man?**

470 Because "human nature was assumed, not absorbed",<sup>97</sup> in the mysterious union of the Incarnation, the Church was led over the course of centuries to confess the full reality of Christ's human soul, with its operations of intellect and will, and of his human body. In parallel fashion, she had to recall on each occasion that Christ's human nature belongs, as his own, to the divine person of the Son of God, who assumed it. Everything that Christ is and does in this nature derives from "one of the Trinity".

The Son of God therefore communicates to his humanity his own personal mode of existence in the Trinity. In his soul as in his body, Christ thus expresses humanly the divine ways of the Trinity:<sup>98</sup>

The Son of God. . . worked with human hands; he thought with a human mind. He acted with a human will, and with a human heart he loved. Born of the Virgin Mary, he has truly been made one of us, like to us in all things except sin.<sup>99</sup>

Christ's soul and his human knowledge

471 Apollinarius of Laodicea asserted that in Christ the divine Word had replaced the soul or spirit. Against this error the Church confessed that the eternal Son also assumed a rational, human soul.<sup>100</sup>

[www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/\\_INDEX.HTM](http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM)

**Mass Intentions**

**September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

Tuesday, September 29, 2026 – **7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, September 30, 2026 – **7:00 p.m.**

Thursday, October 1, 2026 – **8:30 a.m.**

Friday, October 2, 2026 – **7:00 p.m.**

Saturday, October 3, 2026

**9:00 a.m.**

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

Sunday, October 4, 2026 – **10:00 a.m.**

**Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish**

**Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar**

September 28 – Rev. Anton Sebamalai

September 29 – Rev. Leszek Szczygiel

September 30 – Consecrated Virgins

October 1 – Rev. Mark Sullivan

October 2 – Rev. David Wilhelm

October 3 – Rev. Paul Patrick

October 4 – **Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Stewardship Report – September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Sunday Offerings.....               | \$ 1,385.00 |
| Building & Maintenance.....         | \$ 366.75   |
| Mission Co-op Appeal.....           | \$ 181.00   |
| Donations for Liturgical Items..... | \$ 80.00    |
| Needs of the Canadian Church.....   | \$ 100.00   |
| Votives.....                        | \$ 31.10    |

**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**

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.

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

### First Friday Mass – October 2<sup>nd</sup>

A reminder that the First Friday Mass will be held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m., with a Holy Hour prior to the Mass.

### Children's Liturgy

Our parish's children's liturgy resumes this weekend, on September 27<sup>th</sup> during the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

### Needs of the Canadian Church

This weekend, our parish joins Catholics from coast to coast in supporting the shared mission of the Church in Canada. Your gift strengthens the mission of our diocese and, together with the gifts of Catholics across the country, supports work that no single diocese or eparchy could accomplish alone. Through this collection, we help the Church proclaim the Gospel, support families and communities, promote respect for human life and the dignity of every human person, accompany migrants and refugees, and provide catechetical resources for Catholics throughout Canada. What begins as a gift in our parish becomes part of the shared mission of the Church across the country. Please give prayerfully and generously.

### 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.

### 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.

## Diocese Announcements

### Fall Book Club: Into the Heart of Middle-Earth

Step into the rich world of J.R.R. Tolkien and discover how his stories illuminate timeless truths about faith, hope, virtue, and the Christian life. Join us for a book club exploring *Into the Heart of Middle-earth* by Kaitlyn Facista, where together we'll uncover the spiritual themes woven throughout Tolkien's beloved works and reflect on what they can teach us about following Christ today. **Whether you're a lifelong Tolkien fan or simply curious about the deeper meaning behind Middle-earth, all are welcome!**

Registration and more information can be found here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2026/07/fall-book-club/>.

### Wisdom of the Saints

"The human heart is always drawn by love."

– St. Catherine of Siena

### 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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