

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 17, 2022

## St. Teresa of Ávila

“To have courage for  
whatever comes in  
life - everything lies  
in that.”



## Parish Staff & Organizations

**Pastor:** Fr. Marian Gil, OMI

**Parish Secretary:** Mary Steffler

**Business Administrator:** David Agnew

**Facilities Manager:** Jack Pigeau

**Volunteer Gardeners:** Jim Weber,  
Stella Lemieux, Fatima Pacheco,  
Betty Skinner

**Baptism Preparation Team:**

**CWL President:** Mary Alice Zister

**Lector Co-ordinator:** Mary Steffler

**Eucharistic Minister Co-ordinator:**

Kim Voelzing

**Adoration Chapel Co-ordinators:**

Herb Altman – 519-893-4793 or

Rosemary Mussar – 519-743-5656

**Prayer Group:**

Magie Navaleza - 519-588-8668

**Finance Council Chair:**

Don Pickett, Jr.

**Pastoral Council Chair:**

Barbara Daly

**St. Vincent de Paul:**

Bernie & Rosemary Pickett

519-749-1501

### Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Wednesday – Office Closed**

### Saturday Liturgy:

9:00 a.m. (except in August)

5:00 p.m.

### Weekday Schedule

Please check inside for  
weekly schedule

### Sunday Liturgy:

10:00 a.m.

**Confession:** 30 min. before Mass; Sat., 4:15 – 4:45 p.m.

**Healing Mass:** First Friday of each month  
(September – June) – 7:00 p.m.

**Prayer Meeting:** Temporarily suspended

## St. Teresa School

Principal: Mr. Brian Goodyear

Secretary: Mary Lavigne

519-743-2131

## EASTER SUNDAY

**“WE ARE AN EASTER PEOPLE  
AND ALLELUIA IS OUR SONG!”  
(St Augustine -354-430AD)**

**Christ is risen, alleluia!** This is the ancient Christian greeting on this day of great joy and happiness for all. Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the “Feast of feasts”. **“This is the day which the Lord has made.”** Throughout the octave we shall sing of the unequalled joy which throws open eternity to us. Every Sunday will furnish a reminder of it, and from Sunday to Sunday, from year to year, the Easters of this earth will lead us to that blessed day on which Christ has promised that He will come again with glory to take us with Him into the kingdom of His Father.

Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and His Resurrection. The Gospel passage concludes, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary Magdalene meets Jesus but mistakes Him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through His appearances to them. **Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus - in His appearances and in His gift of the Holy Spirit.**

### Dear Parishoners & Friends

*Therefore, if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.*  
Col 3, 1-2

**Christ is Risen, Alleluia! Truly Risen, Alleluia!**

**May the glory of our Risen Saviour  
renew our hopes, rekindle our faith  
and bring us joy!**

**May His unconditional love  
inspire us to be true witnesses,  
joyful bearers of the Good News,  
Disciples of the Risen Lord!**

**Happy Easter!**

Fr. Marian Gil OMI

**“Whoever has God lacks nothing; God alone suffices.”  
St. Teresa of Ávila**

### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

April 18 – Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, V.G., E.V.

April 19 – Very Rev. Tim Uniack, C.R.

April 20 – Jesuit Fathers (S.J.)

April 21 – Rev. Rafal Tomon

April 22 – Rev. Pat Aiello, C.R.

April 23 – Rev. Chris Buda, C.R.

April 24 – Second Sunday of Easter (or of Divine Mercy)

### Vocations

#### Easter Sunday April 17, 2022

The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton, (905-528-7988)

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

#### Serra Prayer for the Perseverance of Vocations

O God, You have constituted Your only-begotten Son supreme and eternal Priest for the glory of Your majesty and the salvation of mankind. Grant that those whom He has chosen ministers and dispensers of His mysteries may be found faithful in fulfilling the ministry they have received. Amen.

#### Prayer for Vocations

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve You through the life which is Your gift. May Your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.

**The Divine Mercy Chapel** – Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament has resumed in the Divine Mercy Chapel, **Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.** We look forward to our Adorers continuing with their hours. Please see the Chapel Guidelines as you enter the chapel. If you would like to sign up for an hour, please call the parish office at 519-743-4525.

**Mass Intentions for 2022** – The offering of Mass is an act of deep faith and a most excellent way of remembering a loved one. Please call the parish office if you would like to request a Mass.

**Children's Choir** – Our parish is organizing a Children's Choir. Those who would like to join this group and develop their talents, are asked to please contact our parish office. The deadline for registration is June 30, 2022.

**Lectors/Ushers** – We are currently in need of more volunteers to Lector and/or Usher at the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses. If you would be willing to serve in either capacity, please call the parish office. Thank you.

**Confirmation – Important Date!**

A reminder to Confirmation candidates of your upcoming Rehearsal. **The rehearsal will take place this Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Obligatory for candidates and their sponsors.**

**Easter Flowers** – Envelopes are available at the back of the church for those wishing to make a contribution to assist with the cost of flowers. Thank you for your generosity.

**Good Friday** – The Church emphasizes the penitential nature of Good Friday by calling us to fast and abstain from meat. **Catholics who are over the age of 18 and under the age of 60 are required to fast, which means that they can eat only one complete meal and two smaller ones during the day, with no food in between.** Catholics who are over the age of 14 are required to refrain from eating any meat on Good Friday.

**Good Friday Collection** – There will be a collection taken on Good Friday for the Needs of the Church in the Holy Land. This collection was originally initiated by Pope John Paul II for the support of the Church in the Holy Land.

**Mass Intentions**

**April 18, 2022 – April 24, 2022**

Tuesday, April 19, 2022 – **7:00 p.m.**

**Group Mass Intentions**

**Intentions of Cindy & Andrew Pearson** – *Wendy Sibley*

**Birthday blessings for Katharine, Anna & Ella** – *Mom*

**For healing and God's blessing and graces for two brothers: Matthew and Philip Miciula** – *Mother*

Wednesday, April 20, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**

+ **Howard and + Catherine Kurt** – *Moser Family*

Thursday, April 21, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**

**Deceased Members of Paleczny Family**

Friday, April 22, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**

**Holy Souls** – *The Mosers*

Saturday, April 23, 2022 –

**9:00 a.m. – Birthday Blessings for Lito Navaleza** – *Navaleza Family*

**5:00 p.m. – + Deceased members of the Weiler Family** – *Pat & Dan Weiler & Family*

Sunday, April 24, 2022 – **10:00 a.m.** –

**Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) – Year C – Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish**

**Live-streaming on Zoom**

The **10 a.m. Sunday Mass** will be live-streamed. To join Father, click on the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/5887658626>

Password: 274733

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA** - begins on Good Friday and goes until Divine Mercy Sunday. You can join thousands of people in praying the novena, this year! Join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena, at our parish, following each Mass or pray at home (brochures with detailed instruction on how to pray this novena were inserted into the Palm Sunday bulletin). The Divine Mercy novena prayers were given to St. Faustina Kowalska through an apparition of our Lord Jesus. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena, saving for the last day the most difficult intention of all, the lukewarm and indifferent of whom He said: **“These souls cause Me more suffering than any others (...). The last hope of salvation for them is to flee to My Mercy.”**



## CONFIRMATION 2022

The following candidates will be Confirmed by Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Mary Daly  
Samantha Elphick  
John Loughran  
Harrison Raj  
Maeve Wilkin

Ethan Dawe-McDonald  
Simone Kuepfer  
Cristina Mendes  
Lilly Walker



**CWL Online Auction - Fall 2022 –**  
With the success of our online auction in November, we are looking forward to another this year. We are looking for BRAND NEW items for the auction.

Start collecting now! If you have or know of a business that would make a donation towards this fundraiser, please email [stteresacwl@gmail.com](mailto:stteresacwl@gmail.com) to obtain a letter for requests.

**St. Teresa CWL Bursary Opportunity –** St. Teresa CWL offers a bursary to young people graduating from high school, that are active members of St. Teresa Parish. If you are interested in applying for this bursary, please email [stteresacwl@gmail.com](mailto:stteresacwl@gmail.com) to receive an application form.



**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**

**Wedding Anniversary Mass 2022 Registration –**  
The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/> and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under Upcoming Events.

**Join the Reel Justice Film Festival, April 28, 2022**  
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM for the screening of Seed: The Untold Story. As biotech companies control the majority of our seeds, farmers, scientists, lawyers, and indigenous seed keepers fight to defend the future of our food. In a harrowing and heartening story, these reluctant heroes rekindle a lost connection to our most treasured resource and revive a culture connected to seeds. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/> to view our 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!

**The Real Me: Drawing Teens Out of the Shadows** is the fourth talk for the **Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series**. Our speaker, Roy Petitfils, has spent his life helping teens not to feel invisible. During his presentation he will provide insights into how parents/teachers/parish staff/others can help ensure no child ever feels unseen. Join us Tuesday, April 26th from 7-8:30 p.m. Roy will provide practical and experiential antidotes on how to assist teens to feel empowered, supported and strong enough to come out of the shadows and thrive in their lives. Roy Petitfils is an internationally recognized expert in understanding and raising teenagers. He is a therapist with a Masters in Mental Health and School Counseling and is an internationally sought-after speaker who uses humour, passion, clinical and life experience to help adults connect with teens and teens to know, understand and love themselves. He has authored, What Teens Want You to Know (But Won't Tell You), What I Wish Someone Had Told Me About the First Five Years of Marriage and God Wears Running Shoes: Spiritual Reflections for Those Ministering to Young People. To register and for more information: <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/> or contact Teresa Hartnett at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250; [thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com)

**Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis -** Those wishing to make a donation to the Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis can do so through Development & Peace at:

1-888-664-3387 or

[https://www.dev.org/en/wp\\_press\\_release/solidarity-prayers-and-support-for-ukraine-development-and-peace-joins-relief-efforts/](https://www.dev.org/en/wp_press_release/solidarity-prayers-and-support-for-ukraine-development-and-peace-joins-relief-efforts/)

**Grief Relief** - Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton will be offering an online grief program at the end of April. Find out more at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support>, or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**Serra Club of Hamilton** invites you to an **Appreciation Mass** on Tuesday May 3, 2022 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King starting at 7:00 p.m. We will celebrate and honour our brothers and sisters who have chosen the Priesthood or Consecrated/Religious Life and have marked their 50th Anniversary serving the Diocese of Hamilton in 2020, 2021 and 2022. Please see the website: [Celebration of Priesthood and Religious Life Dinner](#) or call Margaret Carreiro at 905-628-5682 for further details.

**ReStart** – Starting over after separation or divorce with support, care and tools for your journey. We invite you to check out the Diocesan website at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php> to see the programs we offer and to find out dates of the new program for 2022. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

**Canadian Food for Children (CFFC)** - Request for help.

The Catholic parishes in our area have always been so generous with donations to CFFC, donations particularly of clothes, housewares, school supplies, bedding and hygiene goods.

With the onset of covid two years ago, our donations drastically diminished. If your parish has not already heard of our present needs, we are appealing to you to help us.

Our warehouse is located at 843 Guelph Street in Kitchener and we are open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. to accept your donations. If desired, our expanded "Wish List" can be accessed by emailing [pinn@golden.net](mailto:pinn@golden.net).

We thank you in advance for helping us clothe and provide for the poor in so many Third World Countries.

**Good Friday Fish and Chips** - Maryhill Heritage Park - 58 St. Charles St. E. Maryhill - 15<sup>th</sup> April 12 noon to 7 p.m. Eat In or Take Out. No reserved seating. First Come, First Served. Haddock with fresh hand cut fries served with coleslaw, tartar sauce and lemon, 1 piece - \$15, 2 piece \$17. Kids under 12 are half price. Hot dogs available. Dessert, bar & refreshment available. Masks optional. Cash only. Take out orders – call ahead strongly advised. Phone (519) 648-2939.



Signs of spring: The snow is gone, the robins are back, the umpire hollers "Play Ball" and the return of the very popular Kitchener Knights of Columbus Annual Great Big

Spring Clean-up. Set to go on Saturday May 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Bring your discarded and unwanted to the St. Anthony Daniel parking lot at Ottawa and Franklin. We will be collecting all your old electronics, TVs, computers, laptops and cellphones. Bring your scrap metal, that includes copper, stainless steel and brass. Also, any gently used clothing is acceptable. Girl Guides will be there offering their popular cookies for sale. It's been over two years but the Kitchener K of C is again able to support the community. Aid the Knights by helping to raise the necessary funds for local charities.

### THE CHOSEN SEASON 1 STUDY GROUP:

**The Chosen** is the first multi-season television series about the life of Christ, as witnessed through the eyes of those He impacted. Directed by Dallas Jenkins (The Resurrection of Gavin Stone) and distributed by VidAngel Studios. Join us at **Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo** parish office, starting **Friday, May 6 at 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.** Our study group will begin watching one episode per week of season 1 which will be followed by discussions and fellowship. For more information and or to register please send us an email: to [lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com) with your name and contact information.

**PARISH OFFICE – The Parish Office will be closed from Thursday, April 14th until Tuesday, April 19, 2022.**