

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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Third Sunday of Easter

May 1, 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
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CWL President: Mary Alice Zister

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St. Teresa School

Principal: Mr. Brian Goodyear
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519-743-2131

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

Third Sunday of Easter

We continue to look at the experience the disciples had of the Risen Jesus. The Gospel (J 21: 1-19) speaks of recognising the presence of God and of Jesus in our daily life and calls us to witness to our faith with consistency and courage. It is early morning. They are all tired and disappointed. After a whole night's fishing, they had caught absolutely nothing. They had forgotten the words of Jesus:

“Without me, you can do nothing.”

Suddenly, a stranger on the shore, a shadowy outline in the morning's half-light, begins a dialogue. “Have you caught anything?” Reluctantly the fishermen (you know what fishermen are like!) admit they have got nothing. **“Cast your net on the right side of the boat and you'll find some”** they are told. They did so and they were overwhelmed. There were so many fish that they simply could not be taken into the boat. When they come ashore, they find the stranger-Lord is preparing a meal for them of bread and roasted fish. “Bring some of the fish you have just caught.” The fish “you” have caught? Yes, they had pulled them in but without the Lord they would never have found them. “Without me, you can do nothing.”

There are all the elements of a Eucharist here. They are in the presence of Jesus, the Word of God, and listening to Him. “Come and have breakfast,” not unlike “Take, all of you, and eat together.” They and He are sharing what they have and eating in unity and community. Such a simple scene which is a beautiful picture of the Church.

“When you have received Holy Communion, close your bodily eyes so that you may open the eyes of your soul. Then look upon Jesus in the centre of your heart.”

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Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

May 2 – Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.
 May 3 – Rev. Jim Valk, C.R.
 May 4 – Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate (S.S.M.I.)
 May 5 – Rev. Adam Wroblewicz, C.R.
 May 6 – Very Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.
 May 7 – Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R.
 May 8 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Vocations

Third Sunday of Easter May 1, 2022

How am I being called to feed the lambs of Jesus? Could it be as an ordained or consecrated person? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton,

(905-528-7988)

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 for the deceased, the sick, a personal intention, in thanksgiving, a special intention such as an anniversary, birthday, etc. 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.

First Holy Communion & Reconciliation
Important Date!

A reminder to parents and candidates of the upcoming rehearsal and First Reconciliation, on **May 11, 2022** at **7:00 p.m.**



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 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 to receive an application form.

Mass Intentions
May 2, 2022 – May 8, 2022

Tuesday, May 3, 2022 – **7:00 p.m.**
Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

Group Mass Intentions
+ **Odessa Barrett** – *William Barrett*
+ **Leon & Genowefa Ziolkowski** – *Ken & Betty*

Wednesday, May 4, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**
Holy Souls – *The Mosers*

Thursday, May 5, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**
+ **Theresa Hutflusz** – *Tish Merrill*

Friday, May 6, 2022 – **8:30 a.m.**
Memorial of St. François de Laval, Bishop
+ **Inge Wessels** – *Helene Meier*

Saturday, May 7, 2022 –
9:00 a.m. – + **Mila Navaleza** – *Navaleza Family*
5:00 p.m. – + **Howie Kavelman** – *Pat & Dan Weiler & Family*

Sunday, May 8, 2022 – **10:00 a.m.** –
Fourth Sunday of Easter – Year C – World Day of Prayer for Vocations – 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

Daily Readings:

Lectors may find daily readings at this link:

<https://readings.livingwithchrist.ca>

CWL is collecting for Canadian Food for Children

This month we are collecting **salt** for Canadian Food for Children. There is a desperate need for this item. Bins will be at the main entrance of the church for the next few weeks starting April 24th. Please be generous to those who have so much less than we do.

Stewardship Report April 24, 2022

Envelopes	\$ 1552.00
Loose	\$ 258.50
Easter	\$ 280.00
Building and Maintenance	\$ 410.00
Funerals	\$ 400.00
Candles	\$ 32.35

Thank you to those who continue to remember the parish through financial donations - We appreciate your continued support!



**Catholic Education Week 2022
May 1 – May 6, 2022**

"Rebuild, Restore, Renew Together"

The Diocese of Hamilton has prepared a number of resources for Catholic Education Week that can be found at:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/catholic-education-week/>

**Catholic Education Week 2022
Prayer for Educators**

Lord God, we thank you for the gift of Catholic education. Send forth your Spirit to strengthen all educators, teachers, administrators and staff in our Catholic schools. Bestow upon them Your gifts of Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge and Perseverance. Grant them joy, peace creativity and courage in their vocation. May all educators continue to Rebuild, Restore, and Renew Your love with gentle patience. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

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.

Do No Harm Webinar series, hosted by the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Collaborative Network to End Exploitation - “Frontline workers, survivors, and other experts share insight into the unintentional harms and impacts of some human trafficking practices and policies in this weekly webinar series. The series begins Thursday, May 5 at 2 p.m. (EDT) and recurs on Thursday each week until June 9. Registration information can be found on the Sisters of St. Joseph (Toronto) website, www.csj-to.ca.



**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: lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com with your name and contact information.



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Waterloo is hosting a High Tea Lunch in honour of Mother's Day, on **Sunday, May 8 at 12:00 p.m.**, in the parish hall. Bring your whole family – Tickets are Adult - \$20, Senior - \$15, Child - \$10 (under 8 years). First come, first served. For more information and to purchase tickets: please call Patrycja at 519-886-0342 or email lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

Tickets are on Sale Now !!!! at the parish office.

QUALITY • INCLUSIVE • FAITH-BASED • EDUCATION

We are currently accepting applications for the following opportunities:

- Registered Early Childhood Educators AND the Graduating class of 2022
- Occasional Teachers

Please visit our website for job details and application criteria: www.wcdsb.ca

COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE We're back!

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See our website at loyolahouse.com (under "Events") for more information on these upcoming retreats & programs:

- **Listening to Indigenous Voices 8-Day Retreat - NEW!** - May 18-26 - *facilitated by Shasha Sky & Dave Skene from White Owl Native Ancestry Association and Victoria Blanco, Mark Hathaway, & Trevor Scott, SJ from the Jesuit Forum*
- **Birds: Weekend Retreat - NEW!** - May 27-29
- **Amazing Friendships Weekend Retreat - NEW!** - June 3-5 - *facilitated by Kerry Wilson & Greg Kennedy, SJ*
- **Directed Prayer Weekend** - June 3-5
- **Bees: Weekend Retreat - NEW!** - June 10-12
- **Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment** - June 10-12
- **8-Day Directed Retreat** - July 20-28

These retreats are on-site at Loyola House! There have been lots of changes...20 ensuite washrooms have been added, bedrooms updated, plus much more!

Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or call 519-824-1250 ext 266.



2022 Toronto March for Life

Friday, May 13, 2022
Queen's Park

Schedule
11:30am - Gathering
12:00pm - Rally and Speeches
1:30pm - March through downtown Toronto
3:00pm - Closing Remarks and send off
3:30pm - End

KW Right to Life will travel

by Great Canadian bus line from
Fairview Park Mall 2060 Kingsway Dr. Kit.
parking lot opposite Walmart, near
Fairway Road.

Departure time 9am.

Return home by 6pm.

Bus Seat cost is \$25.

Students ride free.

Reserve bus seat(s) now.

Call 519.746.5433 or

email jane@kwrtl.ca



25th MARCH FOR LIFE - RALLY & MARCH 2022 Thursday, May 12

12:30 p.m. – Rally on Parliament Hill

1:30 p.m. – March downtown Ottawa

2:30 p.m. – Silent No More Awareness Testimonies

More info: <https://marchforlife.ca>



MARCH FOR LIFE WEEK: MAY 7-13 – OTTAWA & ONLINE



LIFE ON FILM PRO-LIFE SERIES
(online*) Sundays at 8:00 pm
March 27 - May 8
Watch on [youtube.com/marchforlifecanada](https://www.youtube.com/marchforlifecanada)



NATIONAL PRO-LIFE ROUND TABLE: "I AM STANDING FOR LIFE"
Saturday May 7 (online*) 8:00 pm
Featuring a dynamic group of speakers



CANADIAN PREMIERE: LIFEMARK
(In Person)
Film Screening Tuesday, May 10
Time & Location TBA
Limited Seating



"I AM THE PRO-LIFE GENERATION" YOUTH SUMMIT
May 11, 5:00 pm (online* and in person)
Sponsored by Niagara Region Right to Life
St. Mary's Church (100 Young St., Ottawa)

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL
Wednesday, May 11, 9:00 pm
Human Rights Monument, Ottawa
Attend in person or watch online*

MASSES & PRAYER SERVICES
May 12, 2022
10 am Masses
Notre Dame Cathedral - Bilingual (385 Sussex Dr.)
St. Patrick's Basilica (220 Kent St.)
St. Clement - Latin (528 Old St. Patrick St.)

RALLY & MARCH
May 12 - 12:50 pm - Rally
1:50pm - March downtown Ottawa
2:30 pm - Silent No More Awareness Testimonies
Attend in person or watch live broadcast on EWTN

ROSE DINNER
Thursday, May 12
Reception: 5:30 pm
Dinner: 6:30 pm
Tickets \$110/person
Ottawa Conference Centre (200 Coventry Rd, Ottawa)

All events are in Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)
*For online programming, subscribe to [youtube.com/marchforlifecanada](https://www.youtube.com/marchforlifecanada)

MARCH FOR LIFE

Go to [marchforlife.ca](https://www.marchforlife.ca) for details

The March For Life 2022 Theme: I AM



"I AM" is a shout into the abyss that "I exist."

Debates about abortion are characterized by phrases like "women's rights" and "My Body, My Choice" – as if there wasn't another human involved and whose rights must be taken into account. The preborn are real. They have already entered into this world, even though they may be hidden from us most of the time—revealed only in brief snapshots through ultrasound technology.



"I AM" is a claim to existence—an assertion that says "I am here! Notice me!"

It is a challenge to those who are "pro-choice" to see the preborn, to recognize them. It is a challenge to those who are pro-life to remember for whom we fight, whose lives are at stake. It is a challenge to all of us to ask ourselves what other existences we might be overlooking—those of mothers in crisis pregnancies, the elderly, or disabled—and to respond by affirming their presence, their humanity.



"I AM" declares that existence is enough.

No human being should have to argue for his/her worth. It's not something that's earned. Our worth is inherent; it lies not in what we do, but in what we are: human. While we value what abilities we have been given, they are not the source of our value. Mistaking them as such is reductionist; that is, it reduces the incredible complexity and beauty of the human person into a simply calculation of what he or she can contribute to society."The late Dame Cicely Saunders, pioneer of modern hospice and palliative care, imparted: "You matter because you are you, and you matter to the end of your life. We will do all we can not only to help you die peacefully, but also to live until you die."



"I AM" demands a law to protect the preborn.

Our country does not grant the preborn any legal recognition. The Criminal Code of Canada defines a "human being" as a child who has "completely proceeded, in a living state, from the body of its mother." Planned Parenthood and other pro-abortion groups similarly wish to erase the preborn, referring to them simply as "the pregnancy." Pregnancy is a state of being, not a preborn human.



"I AM" is the name of God, shared with Moses when his people were in bondage.

3600 years later, the world finds itself in bondage again, through the scourge of abortion and euthanasia. Under the illusion of "freedom of choice," we have become slaves to sin. There is only one path through the "Red Sea" of the Culture of Death – and that is following the path of the Great "I AM," who is the Way, the Truth and the LIFE!

For more information visit marchforlife.ca