

Series – Catechism of the Catholic Church

CHAPTER TWO: II. The Stages of Revelation

In the beginning God makes himself known

54 "God, who creates and conserves all things by his Word, provides men with constant evidence of himself in created realities. and furthermore, wishing to open up the way to heavenly salvation - he manifested himself to our first parents from the very beginning."⁶ He invited them to intimate communion with himself and clothed them with resplendent grace and justice.

55 This revelation was not broken off by our first parents' sin. "After the fall, (God) buoyed them up with the hope of salvation, by promising redemption; and he has never ceased to show his solicitude for the human race. For he wishes to give eternal life to all those who seek salvation by patience in well-doing."⁷

Even when he disobeyed you and lost your friendship you did not abandon him to the power of death. . . Again and again you offered a covenant to man.⁸
The covenant with Noah

56 After the unity of the human race was shattered by sin God at once sought to save humanity part by part. the covenant with Noah after the flood gives expression to the principle of the divine economy toward the "nations", in other words, towards men grouped "in their lands, each with (its) own language, by their families, in their nations".⁹

57 This state of division into many nations, each entrusted by divine providence to the guardianship of angels, is at once cosmic, social and religious. It is intended to limit the pride of fallen humanity¹⁰ united only in its perverse ambition to forge its own unity as at Babel.¹¹ But, because of sin, both polytheism and the idolatry of the nation and of its rulers constantly threaten this provisional economy with the perversion of paganism.¹²

58 The covenant with Noah remains in force during the times of the Gentiles, until the universal proclamation of the Gospel.¹³ The Bible venerates several great figures among the Gentiles: Abel the just, the king-priest Melchisedek - a figure of Christ - and the upright "Noah, Daniel, and Job".¹⁴ Scripture thus expresses the heights of sanctity that can be reached by those who live according to the covenant of Noah, waiting for Christ to "gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad".¹⁵

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Mass Intentions
October 7, 2024 – October 13, 2024

Saturday, October 12, 2024
5:00 p.m. - + Sheldon & Leona Grobe – Peter Grobe

Sunday, October 13, 2024 – **10:00 a.m.**
Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

October 7 – Rev. Jeff Bergsma
October 8 – Rev. Michael Anderson
October 9 – Felician Franciscan Sisters (C.S.S.F.)
October 10 – Rev. Patrick Ohl
October 11 – Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
October 12 – Chancery Staff
October 13 – **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Stewardship Report – September 28th, 2024

Sunday Offerings	\$ 1,236.50
Votives.....	\$ 20.00
Building Fund.....	\$ 80.00
Needs of the Canadian Church.....	\$ 175.00
September Direct Deposits.....	\$ 1,726.00

We are most appreciative of your ongoing prayerful and financial support for our parish, St. Teresa of Avila.

Donations to the parish can be made through the use of Sunday Offertory envelopes, Pre-Authorized Giving, E-Transfer, and CanadaHelps.

If you require any further information, please contact the parish office.

Parish Announcements

Notice – Weekday Mass Times

Please note that there will be no weekday and Saturday morning Masses from September 30th to October 21st while Fr. Lee is away. The regular weekday Mass schedule will resume on October 22nd.

Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses will continue as scheduled during this period.

Thanksgiving Office Hours

Please note that the parish office will be closed on October 14th, Thanksgiving Monday. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, October 15th, 2024.

Parish Community Breakfast

On Sunday October 20th, we will hold a Parish Community Breakfast in the Church Hall after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. We will have a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church starting on Saturday September 28th and Sunday September 29th. The purpose is to determine the number of people coming so we can order the correct amount of food. We will be serving eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, hash browns, toast, coffee, tea and juice. We will also ask for a \$5.00 donation for each adult meal. If this is a hardship for your family, please come anyway. Anything you might be able to contribute would be appreciated, but do not let money be a reason for not sharing in this Parish event!

If you would like to help or bring something please contact Bernie Pickett. Email - berniejpickett@gmail.com by phone 519-589-6337. Thank you for your support for our Parish!

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation

RCIA is a program designed to teach interested candidates what Catholics believe, how Catholics practice their faith, and what it means to be Catholic. Those who are interested in participating in an RCIA program, please contact the parish office!

Parish Choir Team

We are looking for volunteers to join our Parish Choir team. If you have a love for music, can play the guitar, play the piano, and wish to participate in your parish community, please contact the parish office.

Committee for Newcomers

Our parish has established a committee to welcome newcomers from around the world into our parish community. The purpose of this committee is to support newcomers to Canada in their spiritual lives, as well as establishing roots in their new country. For those interested in volunteering for this committee, please contact Bill Barrett (chairperson) or the parish office.

Notice – Seeking Employment

A member of our parish is seeking employment as a personal support worker or driver. If you are aware of opportunities in our community, please contact the parish office.

Diocese Announcements

Diocesan Vocations Month

October is Diocesan Vocations Month. Please pray for the men and women of our diocese who are discerning their vocations to marriage, priesthood, the permanent diaconate, the dedicated single life, and consecrated life, that is, as a consecrated virgin living in the world, or as a religious priest, brother or sister. Since it is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, you are encouraged to offer the Rosary, in particular, the Luminous Mysteries, for vocations. Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

Mass & Reception for the Carmelite Nuns in St. Agatha

The Committee for the Carmelite Nuns invite you to attend a special Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Wayne Lobsinger at Holy Family Croatian Roman Catholic Church (180 Schweitzer St. Kitchener) on Monday October 28th, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., followed by a sit-down dinner in the reception hall. Meal for 2 is a minimum donation of \$250 (eligible for a full tax receipt). Donation can be mailed to Carmel of St. Joseph, or 'Donate Now' at www.thecarmel.ca. RSVP required by October 10th. Please contact Liz Motz 519-590-4808 with questions.

Echoes of Hope

Saturday, November 23, 2024

Mount Mary Retreat Centre, Ancaster | 10 AM - 4PM

Join us as we journey towards the Jubilee of Hope in prayer, conversation, and thanksgiving for the gift of ministry. Our day will include group and personal reflection, prayer, and a catechist resource fair. Registration fee includes lunch, refreshments and materials: \$25 per person.

Wisdom of the Saints

“Where there is charity and wisdom, there is neither fear nor ignorance.”
– St. Francis of Assisi

“I know that without love, all we do is worthless.”
– St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention
September 2024

Please join Pope Francis in praying for a shared mission. We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.