

Series – Catechism of the Catholic Church

Section Two – I Believe in God the Father (Part 6).

220 God's love is "everlasting":⁴¹ "For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you."⁴² Through Jeremiah, God declares to his people, "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you."⁴³

221 But St. John goes even further when he affirms that "God is love":⁴⁴ God's very being is love. By sending his only Son and the Spirit of Love in the fullness of time, God has revealed his innermost secret:⁴⁵ God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange.

IV. THE IMPLICATIONS OF FAITH IN ONE GOD

222 Believing in God, the only One, and loving him with all our being has enormous consequences for our whole life.

223 It means coming to know God's greatness and majesty: "Behold, God is great, and we know him not."⁴⁶ Therefore, we must "serve God first".⁴⁷

224 It means living in thanksgiving: if God is the only One, everything we are and have comes from him: "What have you that you did not receive?"⁴⁸ "What shall I render to the LORD for all his bounty to me?"⁴⁹

225 It means knowing the unity and true dignity of all men: everyone is made in the image and likeness of God.⁵⁰

226 It means making good use of created things: faith in God, the only One, leads us to use everything that is not God only insofar as it brings us closer to him, and to detach ourselves from it insofar as it turns us away from him:

My Lord and my God, take from me everything that distances me from you.

My Lord and my God, give me everything that brings me closer to you

My Lord and my God, detach me from myself to give my all to you.⁵¹

227 It means trusting God in every circumstance, even in adversity. A prayer of St. Teresa of Jesus wonderfully expresses this trust:

Let nothing trouble you / Let nothing frighten you
Everything passes / God never changes
Patience / Obtains all
Whoever has God / Wants for nothing
God alone is enough.⁵²

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Mass Intentions
June 2, 2025 – June 8, 2025

Tuesday, June 3, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, June 4, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

Thursday, June 5, 2025 – **8:30 a.m.**

Friday, June 6, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**
+ **Adolfo Couto** – *Tina Barbosa*

Saturday, June 7, 2025
9:00 a.m. - + **Darlene Marie Geisel** – *Waterloo Catholic Elementary Administrators' Association*
5:00 p.m. – + **Ludwig Ceh** – *Theresa Ceh*

Sunday, June 8, 2025 – **10:00 a.m.**
Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

June 2 – Rev. Sunil D'Souza, O.C.D.
June 3 – Rev. Christopher Tracey
June 4 – Barnabite Fathers, C.R.S.P.
June 5 – Rev. Edwards Henhoeffler
June 6 – Catholic Youth
June 7 – Rev. Roque Conception
June 8 – **Pentecost**

Stewardship Report – May 25th, 2025

Sunday Offerings	\$ 1,397.49
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 1,069.20
Pope's Pastoral Works.....	\$ 325.20
Initial Offerings.....	\$ 20.00
Flowers.....	\$ 10.00
First Holy Communion Offerings.....	\$ 380.00

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

Children's Liturgy – Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help run our Children's Liturgy on Sundays at the 10:00 a.m. Mass during the school year. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact the parish office for an application form and more information on the application process.

Congratulations
First Holy Communion Candidates!

Congratulations to our First Holy Communion candidates, who will receive First Holy Communion on Sunday June 1st, 2025 at the 10:00 Mass:

Steffi Aruldoss
Sebastian Badjari
Terence Baquilta
Anton Martinez
Christian Rijo Sunny
Francis Rijo Sunny
Jojo Rijo Sunny
Cole Sadler
Milkyas Sium

Confirmation – June 5th, 2025

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at St. Teresa of Avila Parish on Thursday June 5th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Very Reverend Monsignor Murry Kroetsch, Vicar General of the Diocese of Hamilton will preside at the celebration.

Funeral Mass – June 6th, 2025

Bernie Henry's funeral Mass will take place on Friday, June 6th at 11:00 a.m. Reception to follow in the parish hall following the Mass. All are welcome.

First Friday Mass – June 6th

A reminder that our Friday Mass will take place in the evening at 7:00 p.m., with a Holy Hour beginning at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Mass.

Father's Day Coffee Sunday

Join us for refreshments and fellowship on June 15th after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. This Coffee Sunday is a wonderful way to remember and celebrate the fathers in our parish community and families!

Annual BBQ – June 28th

Our Annual BBQ will be held on Saturday June 28th following the Saturday evening Mass. Tickets will be sold the weekends of June 8, 15 and 22. We look forward to seeing you there!

Anniversary Blessing

Married couples celebrating an anniversary who wish to have their marriage blessed, please contact the parish office to arrange with Fr. Stefano.

Diocese Announcements

Young Adults Night in June

Fr. Mark Morley 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, June 7th at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (934 Highway #8, Stoney Creek, Ontario). For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Parenting Tip of the Month

Summer is a time to unwind, relax, rejuvenate and enjoy the outdoors. Take the time to engage more often and more fully as a family. Do chores together, cook together, play games, do a puzzle, or hike together. Quality and quantity time spent with our children matters! This is the Jubilee Year of Hope, so do something to engage in and honour the year, perhaps by visiting one or more of our Diocesan Pilgrim Churches. You can find more ideas to celebrate the year on our website at hamiltondiocese.com.

About the Spirituality of Childhood

Holy Rosary Parish in Guelph is hosting the first of a two-part Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level One Formation Course **July 7-12, 2025**. This retreat-like experience immerses the adult in scripture, liturgy, theology, prayer, the needs and capacities of children, and making materials the child works with to internalize the Christian message. Catechists formed in this method usually go on to work with 3–6-year-olds in a parish or school, or are involved in ministries such as RCIA, Children's Liturgy of the Word, and preparation for the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. For more information: www.cgsac.ca/Courses/Level One or contact the course registrar: therese.wright8591@gmail.com.

Wisdom of the Saints

"The name of Jesus is more than a light, it is also food. Do you not feel an increase of strength as often as you say it?"

– St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

Lord, source of eternal life and truth,
give to your shepherd a spirit
of courage and right judgment, a spirit
of knowledge and love. By governing
with fidelity those entrusted to his care,
may he, as successor to the Apostle
Peter and vicar of Christ, build your Church into a
sacrament of unity, love,
and peace for all the world.