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Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Liturgy Schedule

Please check inside for weekly schedule.

Wednesday - Office Closed

Saturday Liturgy: 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Sunday Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Adoration and Mass: First Friday of each month. Adoration at 6:00 p.m. 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:

30 min. before Mass; Sat., 4:15-4:45 p.m. No Sunday Confession.

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.

Co-ordinator: Sandra Nakluski - 226-789-1259

PARISH BULLETIN: News items for the bulletin must be into the parish office *in writing* by noon on Sunday.

Vocations: www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton: 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.

Prayer to St. Michael, the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel

defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou.

O Prince of the heavenly hosts,

by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan,

and all the evil spirits,

who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

Series - Catechism of the Catholic Church

Section Two – The Father V. The Divine Works and the Trinitarian Missions

258 The whole divine economy is the common work of the three divine persons. For as the Trinity has only one and the same natures so too does it have only one and the same operation: "The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are not three principles of creation but one principle." However, each divine person performs the common work according to his unique personal property. Thus the Church confesses, following the New Testament, "one God and Father from whom all things are, and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom all things are, and one Holy Spirit in whom all things are". Li is above all the divine missions of the Son's Incarnation and the gift of the Holy Spirit that show forth the properties of the divine persons.

259 Being a work at once common and personal, the whole divine economy makes known both what is proper to the divine persons, and their one divine nature. Hence the whole Christian life is a communion with each of the divine persons, without in any way separating them. Everyone who glorifies the Father does so through the Son in the Holy Spirit; everyone who follows Christ does so because the Father draws him and the Spirit moves him. 99

260 The ultimate end of the whole divine economy is the entry of God's creatures into the perfect unity of the Blessed Trinity. But even now we are called to be a dwelling for the Most Holy Trinity: "If a man loves me", says the Lord, "he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him, and make our home with him": 101

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Mass Intentions September 15, 2025 – September 21, 2025

Tuesday, September 16, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

+ Robert Gatchene - Shirley Gatchene

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

+ Adolfo Couto - Tina Barbosa

Thursday, September 18, 2025 - 8:30 a.m.

Friday, September 19, 2025 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 20, 2025

9:00 a.m. – + Bill & Dorothy Barrett – Bill Barrett

5:00 p.m. – + Leona & Sheldon Grobe – Peter Grobe

Sunday, September 21, 2025 – **10:00 a.m.**

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

September 15 – Rev. Phillip Cook

September 16 – Rev. Laszlo Amaszka

September 17 – Missionary Sisters of Christ the King M. ChR.

September 18 – Rev. Kevin D'Souza

September 19 – Rev. Piotr Golinski

September 20 – Rev. Rafal Tomon

September 21 – **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Stewardship Report - September 7th, 2025

Sunday Offerings\$1	,343.00
Building & Maintenance\$	156.50
Flowers\$	50.00

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.

When you are traveling, please consider switching to E-transfer donations in your absence.

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. Without new volunteers, we will be unable to offer Children's Liturgy this year. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact the parish office.

Goodbye & Best Wishes

We wish Sergio Aussenac and Claudia Rodríguez Almazán and their family a safe move as they return to Mexico this week. Our parish has been blessed to have them and will miss their presence in our community. May God bless them as they start this next chapter in life!

Congratulations to Dawid & Angel Kasperowicz on Their 10th Wedding Anniversary!

On Saturday, September 13th during the 5:00 p.m. Mass, we celebrate David and Angel's 10th anniversary through vow renewal and anniversary blessing.

Divine Mercy Chapel

We have two openings in the chapel for Mondays at 3:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. Beginning September 18th, we will have two openings at 9:00 a.m. on Thursdays and Fridays. Come and spend a quiet hour with Jesus. Please contact Sandra Nakluski - 226-789-1259.

Anniversary Blessing

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.

RCIA

We will begin RCIA on September 10th at 8:00 p.m. and are looking for volunteers to help run it. If you feel called to this ministry, please contact the parish office or speak to Fr. Stefano. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, and would like to join these upcoming sessions, please contact the parish office.

Diocese Announcements

Bishop Crosby's 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate the 50th anniversary with the Eucharist on Saturday, September 27th, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. Refreshments and an opportunity to greet the Bishop in McNally Hall following Mass. All are welcome.

Parenting Tip of the Month

Children thrive on routine and in truth, so does the whole family. During the summer we can be a little more relaxed on bedtime, eating and even clean up routines, but the rest of the year that can cause lots of challenges. As school begins, now is the time to sit as a family and set out your daily routines and expectations. Stick by them because once they become routine, everyone in the household will benefit! (Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

Fall Workshops for Liturgical Ministries Lectors Workshop:

In this workshop, participants receive formation in Liturgy and Ministry, Techniques to Proclaim the Word of God, and an opportunity to practice. It is ideal for parishioners new to this ministry and a good refresher for experienced Ministers Participants receive a mandate from the Bishop of Hamilton. The cost is \$35 and includes lunch. Workshops run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, October 4, 2025, St. Michael Parish, Waterloo, and Saturday, November 1, 2025, St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Burlington. Register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2025/08/minister-of-the-word-formation-workshop-3/

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:

In this workshop, participants receive formation in Liturgy, Eucharist and Ministry, Spiritual Preparation, Diocesan Norms and Guidelines, and an opportunity to practice. It is ideal for those who are new to this ministry and a good refresher for experienced ministers. Participants receive a mandate from the Bishop of Hamilton. The cost is \$35 and includes lunch. Workshops run 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, September 20, 2025, St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Owen Sound, and Saturday, October 18, 2025, St. Joseph Parish, Guelph, and Saturday, November 22, 2025, St. Raphael Parish, Burlington. Register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2025/08/extraordin ary-minister-of-communion-formation-workshops-4/

Wisdom of the Saints

"Whatever you do, think not of yourself, but of God."

- St. Vincent de Paul

The Pope's Prayer Intention for September 2025

For our relationship with all of creation:

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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