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Parish Office Hours

Weekday Liturgy Schedule

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri Tuesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. (Adoration @ 6:00)

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Thursday & Friday Mornings: 8:30 a.m.

Saturday Morning: 9:00 a.m. (excluding August)

Please check inside for schedule changes.

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 Almighty

270 God is the Father Almighty, whose fatherhood and power shed light on one another: God reveals his fatherly omnipotence by the way he takes care of our needs; by the filial adoption that he gives us ("I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty"): finally by his infinite mercy, for he displays his power at its height by freely forgiving sins.

271 God's almighty power is in no way arbitrary: "In God, power, essence, will, intellect, wisdom, and justice are all identical. Nothing therefore can be in God's power which could not be in his just will or his wise intellect." 110

The mystery of God's apparent powerlessness

272 Faith in God the Father Almighty can be put to the test by the experience of evil and suffering. God can sometimes seem to be absent and incapable of stopping evil. But in the most mysterious way God the Father has revealed his almighty power in the voluntary humiliation and Resurrection of his Son, by which he conquered evil. Christ crucified is thus "the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men." It is in Christ's Resurrection and exaltation that the Father has shown forth "the immeasurable greatness of his power in us who believe". It is in Christ's Resurrection and believe. It is in Christ's Resurrection and believe.

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Mass Intentions September 29, 2025 – October 5, 2025

Wednesday, October 1, 2025 – 7:00 p.m.

+ Deceased Members of the Gatchene Family – Shirley Gatchene

Thursday, October 2, 2025 - 8:30 a.m.

+ Adolfo Couto – Tina Barbosa

Friday, October 3, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 4, 2025

9:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m. – + Ludwig Ceh – Theresa Ceh

Sunday, October 5, 2025 – **10:00 a.m.**

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

September 29 – Rev. Ignatius Saiki, OP

September 30 – Rev. Emmanuel Azike, OP

October 1 – Felician Franciscan Sisters, C.S.S.F.

October 2 – Rev. Romelito Guillen

October 3 – Rev. Thomas Maninezhath, C.M.I.

October 4 – Rev. Grayson Hope

October 5 – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship Report - September 21st, 2025

Sunday Offerings\$1	,310.00
Building & Maintenance\$	182.00

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

Mass Schedule - September 30th

Please note that there will be no Mass said on Tuesday, September 30th at St. Teresa of Avila Parish. Any Mass intentions for that day will be offered during the parish pilgrimage Mass at the Martyrs' Shrine.

First Friday Mass - October 3rd

A reminder that our First 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. There will be no 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Coffee Sunday - October 5th

Our parish Coffee Sunday will be held on October 5th in the parish hall following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Join us as we celebrate this season of thanksgiving with our parish community.

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.

Divine Mercy Chapel

We have openings in the chapel for Mondays at 3:00 p.m., Thursdays at 2:00 p.m., and Fridays at 9:00 a.m. 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.

Diocese Announcements

Jubilee Multicultural Mass

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Waterdown (715 Centre Rd) is hosting the Diocesan Jubilee Multicultural Mass on Sunday, October 5, 2025, at 3:00pm. This vibrant celebration embraces the rich cultural diversity that enriches our diocesan community. The Mass will feature prayers, readings, and hymns proclaimed in multiple languages including Spanish, Polish, Italian, Vietnamese, Korean, and others, reflecting the many cultures united in faith. Following the Mass, join us for a reception featuring cultural foods and entertainment from various communities. This event is a wonderful opportunity to come together in prayer, fellowship, and joyful celebration of our shared faith.

Diocesan Vocations Month - October 2025

Bishop Crosby has designated October as Diocesan Vocations Month. Each Sunday your parish will pray for vocations during Mass. You are also asked to pray for vocations throughout the month. If you know someone you think should consider a particular

vocation, such as marriage, priesthood, consecrated life (religious life or consecrated virginity lived in the world) or the permanent diaconate, be sure to tell that person. For more information about praying for vocations, visit:

https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/pray-for-vocations/ . Mary, Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

Young Adults Night - Saturday, October 4th - Guelph

October is Diocesan Vocations Month. 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 includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, October 4th at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

For more information, please

contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Marriage Tip of the Month

In the busy schedules we often adhere to, we can let our time as a couple slip away, compromising it to accomplish other necessary things. The mistake of that is that we can become disconnected, distant and less in synch with each other. Take the time to schedule couple time and don't compromise, unless it is an emergency. Your relationship will flourish and spill over to other aspects of your life! (Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

Wisdom of the Saints

"Let us have no desire to choose our own paths but walk in those which God may be pleased to present us."

- St. Vincent de Paul

"It is difficult to become a saint. Difficult, but not impossible. The road to perfection is long, as long as one's lifetime. Along the way, consolation becomes rest; but as soon as your strength is restored, you must diligently get up and resume the trip."

- St. Pius of Pietrelcina

The Pope's Prayer Intention for September 2025

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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