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St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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Give thanks to the Lord for His many Blessings On Thanksgiving





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 – Paragraph 4. The Creator

I. Catechesis on Creation

282 Catechesis on creation is of major importance. It concerns the very foundations of human and Christian life: for it makes explicit the response of the Christian faith to the basic question that men of all times have asked themselves: "Where do we come from?" "Where are we going?" "What is our origin?" "What is our end?" "Where does everything that exists come from and where is it going?" the two questions, the first about the origin and the second about the end, are inseparable. They are decisive for the meaning and orientation of our life and actions.

283 The question about the origins of the world and of man has been the object of many scientific studies which have splendidly enriched our knowledge of the age and dimensions of the cosmos, the development of life-forms and the appearance of man. These discoveries invite us to even greater admiration for the greatness of the Creator, prompting us to give him thanks for all his works and for the understanding and wisdom he gives to scholars and researchers. With

Solomon they can say: "It is he who gave me unerring knowledge of what exists, to know the structure of the world and the activity of the elements. . . for wisdom, the fashioner of all things, taught me." 121

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Mass Intentions October 13, 2025 – October 19, 2025

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

Intentions of Bill Barrett, Anne Snyder, & Fatima Pacheco – Betty Julien

Wednesday, October 15, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**

+ Delmar Ferreira – Citelia Ferreira

Thursday, October 16, 2025 – 11:00 a.m.

Intentions of Jennifer Ferreira – Citelia Ferreira

Friday, October 17, 2025 – 8:30 a.m.

Intentions of Rosemary Mussar – Betty Julien

Saturday, October 18, 2025

9:00 a.m. – + Adolfo Couto – Tina Barbosa

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

Sunday, October 19, 2025 – **10:00 a.m.**

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

October 13 – Rev. Tom Moisan *Thanksgiving Day*

October 14 – Rev. Lezek Szcygiel

October 15 – Congregation of the Holy Cross, C.S.C.

October 16 – **St. Marguerite D'Youvill, Religious**World Food Day

October 17 – Rev. Mark Sullivan

October 18 – Rev. David Wilhelm

October 19 – **Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

World Mission Sunday

Stewardship Report – October 5th, 2025

Sunday Offerings\$	1,211.00
Building & Maintenance\$	536.10
Needs of the Canadian Church\$	180.00
Votives\$	2.50
Flowers\$	50.00
Sacramental Preparation Material\$	30.00

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

Parish Office Hours - October 13th & 17th

The parish office will be closed on Monday, October 13th in keeping with the Thanksgiving holiday and on Friday, October 17th. The office will be open for regular hours on Tuesday and Thursday.

School Thanksgiving & Feast of St. Teresa Mass – October 16th

There will be a school Mass for St. Teresa School students on Thursday, October 16th at 11:00 a.m. in the church. All are welcome to join in celebration of the Sacrament of the Eucharist with our students. Please note that there will be no 8:30 a.m. Mass.

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.

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.

Information Session on "The Gift of Living in the Divine Will"

Do you feel an unexplainable longing to deepen your love for God, to surrender yourself completely to God, and pursue only His Will, and to let go of your own? If your answer is yes, you are invited to attend an **Information Session**, based on the Church approved writings of: **Servant of God Lusia Piccarreta**.

This will be held at: St. Anthony Daniel's Parish, 29 Midland Drive, Kitchener on Saturday morning, October 18, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00.

To register, please contact Shirley Gatchene, or Patrick & Rita Morgan at: divinewillkw@execulink.com

Waterloo Deanery Jubilee Year Celebration
Our Jubilee celebration will be held on Sunday,
October 26, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. in St. Mary Church,
Kitchener. Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will preside the
Jubilee Mass.

All parishioners of our Waterloo Deanery are invited to the celebration of this special Mass, especially deacons, all Parish staff and volunteers, representatives of our Catholic schools and other institutions and communities. All priests are welcome to concelebrate the Mass.

Newcomers Committee

The situation in Canada these days is not easy for new immigrants. Many even decide to return to their home countries. Among our parishioners, there are also those who have left their homeland and come here seeking a new life in Canada.

Sometimes they find themselves without proper legal protection, and often they struggle with the high cost of living. As members of our parish, we hope to support them so that they can adjust well to this new life in Canada.

You may contribute through food vouchers, hardware store vouchers, or direct monetary donations. For all donations, our parish will issue a tax receipt.

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, sister 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. For more information about praying for vocations, visit: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/pray-for-vocations/. Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

Wisdom of the Saints

"Everyone of us has been called by the Lord. The important thing is to know how to answer this call."

- St. John XXIII

The Pope's Prayer Intention for October 2025

For collaboration between different religious traditions:

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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