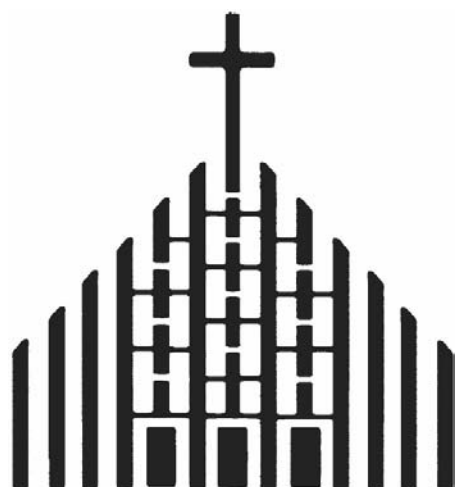




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Parish Office Hours

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Office Closed

Weekday Liturgy Schedule

Tuesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. (Adoration @ 6:00)

Thursday & Friday Mornings: 8:30 a.m.

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

Please check inside for schedule changes.

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 Naklusi - 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 – Paragraph 3. The Almighty

273 Only faith can embrace the mysterious ways of God's almighty power. This faith glories in its weaknesses in order to draw to itself Christ's power.¹¹³ The Virgin Mary is the supreme model of this faith, for she believed that "nothing will be impossible with God", and was able to magnify the Lord: "For he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name."¹¹⁴

274 "Nothing is more apt to confirm our faith and hope than holding it fixed in our minds that nothing is impossible with God. Once our reason has grasped the idea of God's almighty power, it will easily and without any hesitation admit everything that [the Creed] will afterwards propose for us to believe - even if they be great and marvellous things, far above the ordinary laws of nature."¹¹⁵

Paragraph 4. The Creator

279 "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."¹¹⁶ Holy Scripture begins with these solemn words. the profession of faith takes them up when it confesses that God the Father almighty is "Creator of heaven and earth" (Apostles' Creed), "of all that is, seen and unseen" (Nicene Creed). We shall speak first of the Creator, then of creation and finally of the fall into sin from which Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came to raise us up again.

280 Creation is the foundation of "all God's saving plans," the "beginning of the history of salvation"¹¹⁷ that culminates in Christ. Conversely, the mystery of Christ casts conclusive light on the mystery of creation and reveals the end for which "in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth":

from the beginning, God envisaged the glory of the new creation in Christ.¹¹⁸

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Mass Intentions
October 6, 2025 – October 12, 2025

Tuesday, October 7, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**
Wednesday, October 8, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.**
Thursday, October 9, 2025 – **8:30 a.m.**
Friday, October 10, 2025 – **8:30 a.m.**
+ **Adolfo Couto** – *Tina Barbosa*
Saturday, October 11, 2025
9:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m. – Jason Hoch & Family – Jean Giles
Sunday, October 12, 2025 – **10:00 a.m.**
Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

October 6 – Rev. Luc Payette
October 7 – Rev. Francis Chibuzor Ahuekwe
October 8 – Chaplains
October 9 – Apostolate of the Laity
October 10 – Very Rev. Paul Mathew Vellimoozhayil
October 11 – Rev. Francisco Sordo
October 12 – **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Stewardship Report – September 28 th , 2025	
Sunday Offerings	\$ 1,150.00
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 525.25
Needs of the Canadian Church.....	\$ 115.00
Votives.....	\$ 24.75
September Direct Deposit Donations.....	\$ 1,284.00
September E-transfer Donations.....	\$ 255.00
September Hall Rentals.....	\$ 600.00
September CanadaHelps Donations.....	\$ 100.00

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

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 Naklusi - 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.

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

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 member 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

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 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!

Novena to Saint Carlo Acutis

Join the Office of Youth Ministry and young people around the Diocese in praying the Novena to Saint Carlo Acutis, towards his first feast day as a canonized saint. The Novena is available to download by visiting: <https://bit.ly/3WaUTQx>

Wisdom of the Saints

"How contrary to human nature are the divine teachings! Without the help of grace, it would be impossible not only to follow them but even to understand them."

– St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

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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