

# St. Teresa of Avila Kitchener Diocese of Hamilton

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# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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**Parish Office Hours** 

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri Tuesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

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

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

Wednesday: Office Closed Weekday Liturgy Schedule

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 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 - Paragraph 4. The Creator

II. Creation – Work of the Holy Trinity 290 "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth": 128 three things are affirmed in these first words of Scripture: the eternal God gave a beginning to all that exists outside of himself; he alone is Creator (the verb "create" - Hebrew bara - always has God for its subject). the totality of what exists (expressed by the formula "the heavens and the earth") depends on the One who gives it being.

291 "In the beginning was the Word... and the Word was God... all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made." The New Testament reveals that God created everything by the eternal Word, his beloved Son. In him "all things were created, in heaven and on earth... all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together." The Church's faith likewise confesses the creative action of the Holy Spirit, the "giver of life", "the Creator Spirit" (Veni, Creator Spiritus), the "source of every good". 131

292 The Old Testament suggests and the New Covenant reveals the creative action of the Son and the Spirit, <sup>132</sup> inseparably one with that of the Father. This creative co-operation is clearly affirmed in the Church's rule of faith: "There exists but one God. . . he is the Father, God, the Creator, the author, the giver of order. He made all things by himself, that is, by his Word and by his Wisdom", "by the Son and the Spirit" who, so to speak, are "his hands". <sup>133</sup> Creation is the common work of the Holy Trinity.

Taken from: vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/ INDEX.HTM

#### Mass Intentions November 17, 2025 – November 23, 2025

Tuesday, November 18, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

+ **Deceased Members of the Nadeau Family** – *Suzanne* & *Pierre Rouleau* 

Wednesday, November 19, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.** 

+ Delmar Ferreira – Citelia Ferreira

Thursday, November 20, 2025 – **8:30 a.m.** 

**Intentions of Jennifer Ferreira** – Citelia Ferreira

Friday, November 21, 2025 – **8:30 a.m.** 

+ Adrian and Greg Bernier – Suzanne & Pierre Rouleau

Saturday, November 22, 2025

9:00 a.m. – + Ken Skinner – Suzanne & Pierre Rouleau

5:00 p.m. – + Stella Lemieux – Suzanne & Pierre Rouleau

Sunday, November 23, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

November 17 – Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.

November 18 – Rev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.

November 19 – Deceased Members of Our Parish Community

November 20 – Rev. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.

November 21 – Rev. Ilija Petkovic

November 22 – Rev. Vinko Nenadic

November 23 – Christ the King

World Youth Day

### Stewardship Report - November 9th, 2025

Sunday Offerings\$1	1,700.00
Building & Maintenance\$	207.15
All Souls' Day\$	50.00
Funeral\$	500.00

#### Calendar Fundraiser - November 9th, 2025

Calendar Fundraising (USD).....\$ 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**

#### **Baptism**

On Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m., through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome:

#### Landen Watts.

son of

Jessica Steffan and Ashtin Watts

Congratulations on your baptism, Landen!

#### Parish Calendar Fundraiser

St. Teresa of Avila Church is once again producing a parish calendar as part of our fundraising efforts. The theme for the 2026 calendar is Mary.

Through this calendar, we hope to strengthen the sense of belonging among the members of St. Teresa of Avila Church and provide support to the parish's financial needs, which have continued to be strained. We also hope that through this fundraising effort, the faith of our parishioners will deepen, and the bonds within our community will grow stronger.

To support the parish, you can donate a certain amount under your name or family's name to the calendar project along with your prayers. Please contact the pastor or the parish office for details. A receipt for tax purposes will be issued at the end of the year.

#### **Spirit of Hope Collection**

As we approach the end of the Jubilee Year of Hope, the Diocese has recommended that each parish take up a special "Spirit of Hope Collection" during the month of November, to be used to assist the poor in our community. Donations for the "Spirit of Hope Collection" will be accepted at the Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:00 a.m. Masses on November 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please use the provided envelopes at the entrances of the church.

#### **Commemoration of the Faithful Departed**

Fr. Stefano will honour the deceased during November. The Book of Life will be placed in front of the altar along with an offering box. Names of the deceased can be written in the Book of Life, and offerings can be made in memory of them.

#### **Knights of Columbus - Christmas Crafts**

The Kitchener Knights of Columbus are conducting the sale of Christmas-themed wooden decorations after the weekend masses of November 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. This annual fundraiser is in support of local charities, and we thank you. Cash only, please.

#### Parish Pancake Breakfast

Next month, we will celebrate our parish anniversary with a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets will be available following the Masses on the weekends of November 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$10/adult and \$5/child. Parishioners are invited to bring photos of past parish events over the years to be displayed during the breakfast. If you wish to contribute your photos, please bring them in an envelope with your name on it to the sign-up table on the weekends leading up to the breakfast.

#### **Divine Mercy Chapel**

We have openings in the chapel for Thursdays at 2:00 p.m., and Fridays from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.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**

#### Women at the Heart of Justice Event

A speaker series hosted by Canadian Jesuits International, highlighting women as essential changemakers on the quest for peace and ecological justice. Keynote by Sister Laura Vicuna Pereira Manso, Franciscan catechist and member of Brazil's Indigenous Kariri People

Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 3-5 pm. at St. Jerome's University Waterloo and Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 12-1 pm. at Holy Rosary Parish Guelph. Register via the CJI website

https://www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca/fall-campaign-2025/

#### Wisdom of the Saints

"The greater and more persistent your confidence in God, the more abundantly you will receive all that you ask for."

- St. Albert the Great

#### The Pope's Prayer Intention for November 2025

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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