

## St. Teresa of Avila Kitchener Diocese of Hamilton

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## St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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**Parish Office Hours** 

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

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

Wednesday: Office Closed Weekday Liturgy Schedule

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 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 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

I. Catechesis on Creation (Part 5)

288 Thus the revelation of creation is inseparable from the revelation and forging of the covenant of the one God with his People. Creation is revealed as the first step towards this covenant, the first and universal witness to God's all-powerful love. <sup>126</sup> and so, the truth of creation is also expressed with growing vigour in the message of the prophets, the prayer of the psalms and the liturgy, and in the wisdom sayings of the Chosen People. <sup>127</sup>

289 Among all the Scriptural texts about creation, the first three chapters of Genesis occupy a unique place. From a literary standpoint these texts may have had diverse sources, the inspired authors have placed them at the beginning of Scripture to express in their solemn language the truths of creation - its origin and its end in God, its order and goodness, the vocation of man, and finally the drama of sin and the hope of salvation. Read in the light of Christ, within the unity of Sacred Scripture and in the living Tradition of the Church, these texts remain the principal source for catechesis on the mysteries of the "beginning": creation, fall, and promise of salvation.

Taken from: vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/\_INDEX.HTM

#### **Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar**

November 10 – Rev. John Van Hees

November 11 – **St. Martin of Tours, Bishop** *Remembrance Day* 

November 12 – Deceased Consecrated Brothers & Sisters

November 13 – Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.

November 14 – Rev. Lawrence Parent

November 15 – Rev. Jonathan Reitzel

November 16 – Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of the Poor

#### Mass Intentions November 10, 2025 - November 16, 2025

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.** 

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 – **7:00 p.m.** 

+ Nancy Tucker - Catholic Women's League

Thursday, November 13, 2025 - 8:30 a.m.

+ Stella Lemieux – Catholic Women's League

Friday, November 14, 2025 – **8:30 a.m.** 

Saturday, November 15, 2025

9:00 a.m. – + Alexandra & Jose Couto – Fatima Pacheco

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

Sunday, November 16, 2025 – **10:00 a.m.** 

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Stewardship Report – November 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2025	
Sunday Offerings	\$ 1,343.00
Building & Maintenance	\$ 333.40
In Memorium	\$ 460.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 300.00
Bequest	\$10,000.00
October Rental Income	\$ 250.00

# Calendar Fundraiser – November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 Calendar Fundraising.....\$ 600.00

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 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.

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

Fr. Stefano will honour the deceased beginning on November 1<sup>st</sup> and ending November 30<sup>th</sup>. 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 - November 15th & 16th

The Kitchener Knights of Columbus are seeking new members.

Being a Knight means more than fellowship - it's about serving the community, supporting the Church, and strengthening family life. Experience the joy of giving, as well as making a difference through faith and service.

Join us November 15 and 16 after all masses to learn more. Members of Council 1504 will be available to answer questions and welcome new Catholic men to our brotherhood.

#### **Divine Mercy Chapel**

We have openings in the chapel for Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m., Thursdays at 2:00 p.m., and Fridays at 11:00 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.

#### 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.

#### **CWL 2026 Membership**

Thanks to all who paid the 2025 membership. Even though we do not have an active Catholic Women's

League in St. Teresa Parish at this time we hope that, with your help and interest, we will have one in the future. The object of the League is to unite all Canadian Catholic women.

The envelopes for 2026 are in the envelope box for November 2nd. Please consider renewing your \$35 membership for 2026. If you have questions call 519 578-2019.

#### Crafting Days at St. Louis Parish

Come and join us on Saturday, December 6 between 10 AM – 3 PM for an opportunity to work on your craft with others: sewers, quilters, scrapbook makers, knitters, crocheters, needlepoint workers, etc. If you have a craft that is portable, you are welcome to join us. Bring your own lunch. Coffee and tea are provided. Please come to the Large Hall in church basement via the elevator door. If it is locked, ring the doorbell and we will let you in. For more info. contact St. Louis parish office at 519-743-4101, stlouiswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com. Elevator entrance is accessible from Willow St. - take the driveway up towards the church, just past the old St. Louis School (now apartments).

#### **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

 $\frac{https://www.canadianjesuits international.ca/fall-campaign-2025/}{}$ 

#### Wisdom of the Saints

"We all have a vocation. We believe that God has placed us in this life to fill a special need that no one else can accomplish."

– St. Francis de Sales

#### 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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