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St. Teresa of Avila Kitchener  
Diocese of Hamilton

## St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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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.

### Weekday Liturgy Schedule

Tuesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening: 7:00 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.  
Mass at 7:00 p.m.

### Pastor

Father Stefano Lee

### Parish Office Administrator

Claire Rouleau

### Business Administrator

David Agnew

### Custodian

Eunduk Hwang

### Divine Mercy

### Chapel Coordinator

Sandra Nakluski

226-789-1259

### Parish School

St. Teresa School

Principal: Pamela Baillie

Secretary: Mena Carnevale

519-743-2131

**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:**  
6:30-6:50 p.m. on Wednesdays, 8:30-8:50 a.m. and 4:30-4:50 p.m. on Saturdays.

**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.

**PARISH BULLETIN:** News items for the bulletin must be into the parish office *in writing* by noon on Sunday.

**Vocations:** [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

**Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton:** [www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://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.*

Series – Catechism of the Catholic Church

Chapter Two

Article 2 "And in Jesus Christ, His Only Son, Our Lord" (Cont'd)

I. Jesus (Cont'd)

433 The name of the Saviour God was invoked only once in the year by the high priest in atonement for the sins of Israel, after he had sprinkled the mercy seat in the Holy of Holies with the sacrificial blood. the mercy seat was the place of God's presence.<sup>25</sup> When St. Paul speaks of Jesus whom "God put forward as an expiation by his blood", he means that in Christ's humanity "God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself."<sup>26</sup>

434 Jesus' Resurrection glorifies the name of the Saviour God, for from that time on it is the name of Jesus that fully manifests the supreme power of the "name which is above every name".<sup>27</sup> The evil spirits fear his name; in his name his disciples perform miracles, for the Father grants all they ask in this name.<sup>28</sup>

435 The name of Jesus is at the heart of Christian prayer. All liturgical prayers conclude with the words "through our Lord Jesus Christ". the Hail Mary reaches its high point in the words "blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus." the Eastern prayer of the heart, the Jesus Prayer, says: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner." Many Christians, such as St. Joan of Arc, have died with the one word "Jesus" on their lips.

I. Christ

436 The word "Christ" comes from the Greek translation of the Hebrew Messiah, which means "anointed". It became the name proper to Jesus only because he accomplished perfectly the divine mission that "Christ" signifies. In effect, in Israel those consecrated to God for a mission that he gave were anointed in his name. This was the case for kings, for priests and, in rare instances, for prophets.<sup>29</sup> This had to be the case all the more so for the Messiah whom God would send to inaugurate his kingdom definitively.<sup>30</sup> It was necessary that the Messiah be anointed by the Spirit of the Lord at once as king and priest, and also as prophet.<sup>31</sup> Jesus fulfilled the messianic hope of Israel in his threefold office of priest, prophet and king.

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

Mass Intentions  
June 15, 2026 – June 21, 2026

- Tuesday, June 16, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 17, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.  
+ Sheila Girodat – Ann Snyder & Family
- Thursday, June 18, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.
- Friday, June 19, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.
- Saturday, June 20, 2026  
9:00 a.m. + Leone & William Gough – Stephen Woodworth  
5:00 p.m. – + Ludwig & David Ceh – Theresa Ceh
- Sunday, June 21, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.  
Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

- June 15 – Rev. Roque Concepcion
- June 16 – Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R.
- June 17 – Congregation of the Sisters of St. Anne, s.s.a.
- June 18 – Rev. Toby Collins, C.R.
- June 19 – Rev. Pawel, Szymanowski, C.R.
- June 20 – Rev. Raphael Ma, C.R.
- June 21 – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship Report – June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Sunday Offerings.....	\$ 1,675.00
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 186.15
Cura Pastorum.....	\$ 20.00

We are most appreciative of your ongoing prayerful and financial support for our parish, 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 BBQ – June 20<sup>th</sup>

We will be hosting this year’s Parish BBQ on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Tickets will be \$10 for adults, \$5 for youth ages 13 to 17, and children under 12 years of age are free. There will be regular and vegan hotdogs and hamburgers, salad, a drink, and dessert. Tickets are on sale this weekend following the Masses.

### Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate

Mr. Jangho Michael Hong will be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Cambridge, Ontario. All are welcome to attend!

### Donations for Liturgical Items

Our parish is currently accepting donations for the following liturgical items:

- Candles (2) - \$60
- Hosts (big & small) - \$30 & \$70

If you wish to support the purchase of these items, please place your donations in an envelope with a note about which item(s) you wish to contribute to in the donation baskets during Mass.

### Lectio Divina

Our parish is providing weekly copies of the Lectio Divina for parishioners. If you are interested, please take a copy from the counter in the Narthex. Copies are made available on Tuesdays or Wednesdays every week.

### Connecting with a Priest While in Hospital

Parishioners who are hospitalized and require a priest are encouraged to notify the hospital nurses, who will connect you with the chaplain. If the chaplain unavailable, they will help you connect with the on-call priest. If the on-call priest is unavailable, please contact Fr. Stefano by calling (519) 743-4525.

### 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.

### Support Our World Youth Day Delegates

At this time we are looking for donations to support parish delegates going to WYD in South Korea in 2027. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Stefano.

## Diocese Announcements

### The Heart of Jesus: Love That Heals and Transforms

In Scripture, the heart is the center of the person and the source of life. The pierced Heart of Jesus reveals a love that forgives, heals, and restores. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is not merely sentimental; it is an invitation to rediscover the Gospel and allow Christ's love to shape how we live, serve, and forgive each day.

We invite you to say at the beginning of each day this prayer;

*O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day for all of the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the holy sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in thanksgiving for your favours, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my family and friends, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father, Amen.*

Additional prayers and resources for the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are available on the diocesan website: [www.hamiltondiocese.com/sacredheart](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/sacredheart)

### WYD 2027

The Diocese of Hamilton is blessed to have **80 young pilgrims** preparing to travel to Seoul, South Korea next summer as a part of the 45<sup>th</sup> International Celebration of World Youth Day. To learn more about this pilgrimage of faith and how you can support the young people of our Diocese, visit us at: [wyd.hamiltondiocese.com](http://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com)

### Magnifica Humanitas

Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* released publicly on May 25 and focuses on human dignity, ethics, labour, and responsible AI development. You can read this new encyclical here: [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

### Marriage Tip of The Month

“Once our hearts welcome the love of Christ in complete trust, and enable its fire to spread in our lives, we become capable of loving others as Christ did, in humility and closeness to all.” (Dilexit Nos #203) In June we celebrate the Sacred Heart of Jesus, who taught us that we are loved, loved enough for him to accept the cross for us. This understanding can help to transform us to love in the same meek and intimate ways he did. Our marriage bond will continue to grow as we learn to love more like the sacred heart of Jesus.

#### Wisdom of the Saints

“The breadth of charity widens the narrow heart of the sinner.”

– St. Anthony of Padua

#### Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for June 2026

##### For the value of sports:

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

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