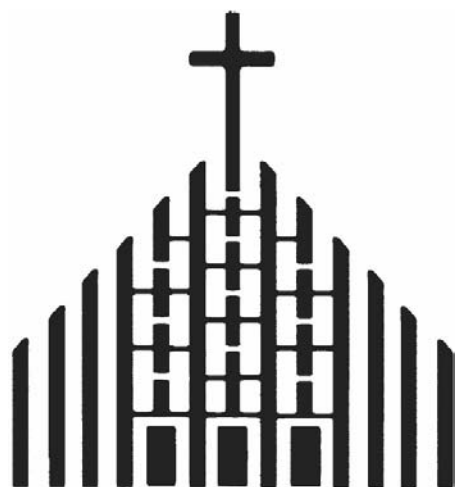




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Parish Office Hours

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.

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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.

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:

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

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.

Series – Catechism of the Catholic Church

Chapter Two: IV. Lord (Part 2)

450 From the beginning of Christian history, the assertion of Christ's lordship over the world and over history has implicitly recognized that man should not submit his personal freedom in an absolute manner to any earthly power, but only to God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Caesar is not "the Lord".⁶⁷ "The Church. . . believes that the key, the centre and the purpose of the whole of man's history is to be found in its Lord and Master."⁶⁸

451 Christian prayer is characterized by the title "Lord", whether in the invitation to prayer ("The Lord be with you"), its conclusion ("through Christ our Lord") or the exclamation full of trust and hope: Maranatha ("Our Lord, come!") or Maranatha ("Come, Lord!") - "Amen Come Lord Jesus!"⁶⁹

Article 3

"He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and was born of the virgin Mary"

Paragraph 1. The Son of God Became Man

I. Why Did the Word Become Flesh?

456 With the Nicene Creed, we answer by confessing: "For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and was made man."

457 The Word became flesh for us in order to save us by reconciling us with God, who "loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins": "the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world", and "he was revealed to take away sins".⁷⁰

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

August 10 – **St. Lawrence, Deacon**
 August 11 – Rev. Dirk Dunfee, S.J.
 August 12 – Ursuline Sisters, o.s.u.
 August 13 – Rev. Eric Jensen, S.J.
 August 14 – Rev. Franjo Sprajc
 August 15 – **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 August 16 – **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
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 August 17 – Rev. Philip Shano, S.J.
 August 18 – Very Rev. Paul Damian Panaretos, S.J.
 August 19 – Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate, S.O.L.I.
 August 20 – Rev. Wieslaw Berdowicz, S.Ch.
 August 21 – Very Rev. Valentine Onwujiogu
 August 22 – **The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 August 23 – **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Mass Intentions

August 10th, 2026 – August 16th, 2026

Tuesday, August 11, 2026 – **7:00 p.m.**

+ **Alfred Novak** – *Helene Meier*

Wednesday, August 12, 2026 – **7:00 p.m.**

+ **Jeanie Balluhura** – *Theresa Schmuck & Mary Campbell*

Thursday, August 13, 2026 – **8:30 a.m.**

Intentions of Raf & Anita Montalban – *Family*

Friday, August 14, 2026 – **8:30 a.m.**

Intentions of Raf & Anita Montalban – *Family*

Saturday, August 15, 2026

5:00 p.m. – + **Fr. Tom Moisan** – *Pat Wilkins*

Sunday, August 16, 2026 – **10:00 a.m.**

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

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August 17th, 2026 – August 23rd, 2026

Wednesday, August 19, 2026 – **7:00 p.m.**

+ **Leone & William Gough** – *Stephen Woodsworth*

Saturday, August 22, 2026

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

Sunday, August 23, 2026 – **10:00 a.m.**

Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Stewardship Report – July 26th, 2026

Sunday Offerings.....	\$ 1,230.00
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 5,535.10
Votives.....	\$ 10.00

August 2nd, 2026

Sunday Offerings.....	\$ 945.00
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 122.80
Votives.....	\$ 2.00

July Direct Deposit Donations.....	\$ 1,401.00
July E-transfer Donations.....	\$ 325.00
July Rentals.....	\$ 50.00
July CanadaHelps Donations.....	\$ 143.12

While you are traveling this summer, please consider switching to E-transfer donations in your absence.

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.

If you require further information on how to give, please contact the parish office, or visit the parish website for more details.

Parish Announcements

Summer Bulletin Schedule

The next parish bulletin will be published on **August 23rd**. Our regular schedule will resume in September 2026.

August 17th – 21st Weekday Mass Schedule

Please note that there will be no weekday Masses on August 18th, 20th, and 21st while Fr. Stefano is away. Fr. Paul Voison will preside at the Wednesday, August 19th Mass at 7:00 p.m. Our regular August weekday Mass schedule will resume on August 25th.

RCIA Registration

We will begin RCIA in on Wednesday, September 30th following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, and would like to join these upcoming sessions, please contact the parish office.

Thursday & Friday Morning Mass Location

Please note that Thursday and Friday morning Masses will now be held in the Flower Room, due to reduced attendance numbers. First Friday Masses will continue to be held in the church as usual.

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 collection baskets during Mass.

Lectio Divina Paused in August

Our parish will resume providing weekly copies of the Lectio Divina for parishioners in September.

Divine Mercy Chapel

Please note that the chapel now closes at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. Adorers are needed for 3:00 p.m. on Mondays and 2:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Please contact Sandra Naklusi - 226-789-1259.

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

Marriage Tip of the Month

Couples are so busy today with their jobs, taking care of children and sometimes looking after elderly parents that time is very precious. Often what gets put on the back burner is time to focus on their marriage. All these responsibilities are much better managed with a healthy relationship, so taking time together has a positive impact all around. Schedule time for a coffee, a short or long walk, a chat at the end of the day, prayer, or dinner for two, anything that is just for the two of you. Your marriage matters — don't let making it a priority take a backseat to everything else on the to-do list!

Catechetical Correspondence Program

Children in our parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.

Wisdom of the Saints

"Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility."

— St. Augustine

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for August 2026

For evangelization in the city:

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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