

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

The First Reading tells how, on being cured of leprosy, Naaman acknowledges Yahweh as the supreme and only God. However, when he tries to express his gratitude to Elisha, the prophet refuses to accept it, because it would suggest that the cure was due to him rather than to God. As commander of the Syrian army, Naaman was a Gentile. This story prepares us for the Gospel account of the cure of ten lepers by Jesus, and how only one of them, a foreigner – a Samaritan, came back to thank Him. The stranger puts the Jews to shame. His reaction anticipates the glad reception of the Good News by the Samaritans in Acts.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 9 <sup>th</sup> <i>28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, October 10 <sup>th</sup> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, October 11 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. John XXIII</i>	12 pm	+ <i>John &amp; Rita Black</i>	By John & Christine Dixon
Wednesday, October 12 <sup>th</sup> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	12 pm 4 pm	<b>CANCELED</b> <b>CANCELED (Linwood)</b>	
Thursday, October 13 <sup>th</sup> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	12 pm	+ <i>Leonard Hergott</i>	By Frances Hergott
Friday, October 14 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Callistus I</i>	12 pm	<i>Intentions of Fr. Irenaeus</i>	By St. Clements Christian Mothers
Saturday, October 15 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Teresa of Avila</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Nick Bugera</i> + <i>Vincenzo &amp; Annunziata Boccannuso</i>	By Dolores Bugera By K of C #8192
Sunday, October 16 <sup>th</sup> <i>29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	

**Our Saint of the Week:** – *St. Teresa of Avila (1515 – 1582)* – Teresa lived in an age of exploration as well as political, social, and religious upheaval. It was the 16th century, a time of turmoil and reform. She was born before the Protestant Reformation and died almost 20 years after the closing of the Council of Trent. The gift of God to Teresa in and through which she became holy and left her mark on the Church and the world is threefold: She was a woman; she was a contemplative; she was an active reformer. As a woman, Teresa stood on her own two feet, even in the man’s world of her time. She was “her own woman,” entering the Carmelites despite strong opposition from her father. She is a person wrapped not so much in silence as in mystery. Beautiful, talented, outgoing, adaptable, affectionate, courageous, enthusiastic, she was totally human. Like Jesus, she was a mystery of paradoxes: wise, yet practical; intelligent, yet much in tune with her experience; a mystic, yet an energetic reformer; a holy woman, a womanly woman. Teresa was a woman “for God,” a woman of prayer, discipline, and compassion. Her heart belonged to God. Her ongoing conversion was an arduous lifelong struggle, involving ongoing purification and suffering. She was misunderstood, misjudged, and opposed in her efforts at reform. Yet she struggled on, courageous and faithful; she struggled with her own mediocrity,

her illness, her opposition. And in the midst of all this she clung to God in life and in prayer. Her writings on prayer and contemplation are drawn from her experience: powerful, practical, and graceful. She was a woman of prayer; a woman for God. Teresa was a woman “for others.” Though a contemplative, she spent much of her time and energy seeking to reform herself and the Carmelites, to lead them back to the full observance of the primitive Rule. She founded over a half-dozen new monasteries. She traveled, wrote, fought—always to renew, to reform. In her self, in her prayer, in her life, in her efforts to reform, in all the people she touched, she was a woman for others, a woman who inspired and gave life. Her writings, especially the *Way of Perfection* and *The Interior Castle*, have helped generations of believers. In 1970, the Church gave her the title she had long held in the popular mind: Doctor of the Church. She and St. Catherine of Siena were the first women so honored. St. Teresa of Avila pray for us!

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2022 CAMPAIGN** – The campaign runs from Wed., Sept. 28th – Sun., Nov. 6th across from Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, on the grass, from 7am – 7pm daily. St. Clements is joining St. Teresa of Avila, Elmira, and St. Mary’s, Linwood/St. Joseph’s, Macton to **ADOPT-A-DAY on Monday, October 17th!** Please help us by volunteering for one hour. There are signup sheets at the back of the church.

**CEMETERY MASS & CHURCH PICNIC** – Save the Date! The Cemetery Mass will be celebrated Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm, at St. Clements RC Cemetery, with Bishop Wayne Lobsinger as our celebrant, followed by a Parish Picnic at the Lion’s Park. St. Clements Christian Mothers will provide pulled pork, and we ask that parishioners bring a salad or dessert to share and lawn chairs/drinks for your family.

**SENIOR’S CARDS** – Join us every Thursday from 1-4 pm in the church basement!

**COME AND SEE THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT** – At St. John the Baptist Parish, Victoria Road N., Guelph, until October 24, 2022 - Please join us as we host the Vatican approved Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit. The exhibit, which was designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, features panels that each tell the story of a Eucharistic miracle and allow you to “virtually visit” the places where the miracles took place. PHONE: 519-824-7311. WEB: <http://www.saintjohnsguelph.ca/p/bull.html>

**VOCATION SEEDS** – How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? In gratitude, ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow Him as a priest, sister, brother or deacon? If God is calling you contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988). Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR** – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Michal Kruszewski, C.R., Rev. Lech Wycichowski, C.R., Chaplains, Rev. Lajos Angyal, Rev. Joseph Durkacz, & Rev. Charles Galea.

**LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION** – St. Clements: Operating \$2,475.00. Maintenance \$1,000.00. Thank you for your generosity!