

# Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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*Christ is Risen!*

## EASTER SUNDAY

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
EASTER SUNDAY, April 17	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)	
EASTER MONDAY, April 18		No Mass	
TUESDAY, April 19	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Maria Branco	
WEDNESDAY, April 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Dec. Members of the DeMelo Family & Souls in Purgatory	
THURSDAY, April 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Jean Falzon	
FRIDAY, April 22	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Katie McAllister † Allan Mills & Tony Blencowe † Edgardo Lim & Tomas Funtanilla (I) Isabelle Bussiere	
SATURDAY, April 23	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Second Sunday of Easter <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Dennis Van Ravens; Don Foster; Deceased Members of the Almeida and Vieira Families; Miguel Vieira; Giuseppina Rinaldi; Maira Teresa Lima Dias; Juraj, Mara & George Sebalj.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Theresia Samwald.

### From the Pastor's Desk

Happy Easter Everyone! We celebrate today the high point of our Christian year – the Resurrection of Christ our Lord! The last two years of pandemic restrictions have taken their toll on all of us, but looking out and seeing a full church again this Holy Week fills me with great hope! Yes, we still need to be careful because the virus is still with us, but I thank God that we are able to once again gather as a parish community to celebrate Easter this weekend, and to freely worship together once again!

We have followed Jesus through his passion and death this Holy Week and we now rejoice in his Resurrection, knowing that he has conquered sin and death forever! We enter the Easter season of our liturgical year which lasts 50 days because indeed, with the resurrection everything has changed. We are reconciled to the Father because Jesus has taken our sins upon his shoulders and opened wide for us the gates to the Heavenly Kingdom. Let's be sure to celebrate this greatest mystery of our faith in the coming weeks, because indeed, He is Risen!

### Thank You!

I would like to extend a big 'thank you' to everyone who pitched in during Holy Week – and all year long – to make our celebrations so special. To our decorators, music ministries, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ministers of Hospitality, altar servers, collection counters, RCIA team, parish staff, and everyone else in whatever role you have taken on to help out – THANK YOU! Our parish wouldn't be able to function without your efforts, especially during these last 2 years of pandemic restrictions. Words cannot express my gratitude and on behalf of the parish, once again, THANK YOU! – Fr. Dave

### Congratulations to our Newest Catholics!

Our parish is blessed to have received 9 new Catholics into the Church this year with a beautiful celebration of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil, and to one of our newly confirmed young people! To David, Hannah, Susan, Mark, Kim, Sumin, Janine, Stephen, Grace and Madeline – may God bless you as you begin your journey as Catholic Christians, and a big welcome to our parish of Holy Cross!

### **Easter Sunday Smiles**

- What do you call the Easter Bunny the day after Easter? Eggs-hausted!
- What happened to the misbehaving Easter Bunny at school? He was eggs-pelled!
- What kind of jewelry does the Easter Bunny wear? – 14 Carrot Gold!
- How many Easter eggs can you put in an empty basket? - Only one. Then it's not empty anymore!
- Why can't you tell an Easter egg a joke? - It might crack up!

### **Publication of Banns of Ordination**

**Reverend Mr. Kevin Upendran** is scheduled to be ordained to the Priesthood at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, Ontario. If anyone knows of a serious cause why this ordination should not take place, please notify your parish priest.

Let us all pray the Reverend Mr. Kevin Upendran will be a good and faithful servant of the Lord and His Church.

### **CWL News**

The Catholic Women's League will be holding the next general meeting in Cote Hall on **Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Please join us as we begin planning our activities and events for the upcoming months!

### **Wedding Anniversary Mass 2022 Registration**

The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/> and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under Upcoming Events.

### **Special Thanks from Community Unity Halton Hills**

Thank you Holy Cross for your donations for this year's Easter Basket Brigade. So far we have raised over \$3,500.00 for the needy in our community who will enjoy a bountiful Easter dinner as a result of your generosity! The wonderful drawings and paintings from our young artists are also very much appreciated. They will certainly make Easter more meaningful! A final thanks in advance to the delivery teams who will help distribute the baskets this week. Your continued support is invaluable. Easter Blessings to All!

### **Halton Alive**

Join Halton Alive at the Life Talks Conference on April 30th, an in-person event featuring Canadian leaders, experts and advocates for Life. Become a more effective ambassador for life this year by attending Life Talks. Consider sponsoring a young person to attend as well. Details can be found on the parish website.

### **Dr. Simone - Canadian Food for Children - OPEN**

We have resumed collections for Dr. Simone's Mississauga Warehouse. Please remember to wash and fold your clothing and bedding donations. If you have any questions about what is acceptable please contact the warehouse directly at 905-274-9239 or visit their website [www.canadianfoodforchildren.net](http://www.canadianfoodforchildren.net)

### **Holy Cross HELPS Donations**

Holy Cross HELPS is still going about their important work of helping those in need in our community and are still gratefully accepting donations. If you wish to contribute to their good work, simply drop an envelope marked 'Holy Cross HELPS' into the locked mailbox outside the office door with your name and envelope number. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration - St. Francis of Assisi School**

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Elementary School is celebrating its 50th anniversary this school year! During Catholic Education Week, from May 2 through May 7, 2022 and throughout the month of May, our community will be participating in a variety of events and activities to honour our school's 50th anniversary. To commemorate this special occasion, parents, students, staff, alumni and members of our broader community, both past and present are invited to submit photos, stories, videos, artifacts and/or memorabilia from the school. The content submitted will be used as featured material to highlight the history, legacy and contributions of our school and community over the past 50 years. The school is currently accepting submissions in digital format until April 20, 2022. Use the following link to submit your photos, stories, videos, artifacts and/or memorabilia: <https://hcdsb.formstack.com/forms/stfrancis50th> or contact the school's Principal, Mr. Mark Witter, at 905-877-6928.

### **Morning & Lunch Hour Supervisors Needed**

Morning & Lunch Hour Supervisors are needed for the 2021-2022 school year. This is a paid position with duties that include supervising students while they eat lunch in their classrooms, and during outdoor recess time. Interested applicants must have completed a Criminal Reference Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening that has been dated within the last 6 months.

**St. Catherine of Alexandria School 8:50 - 9:20 a.m. and 12:05 - 1:05 p.m. daily** - contact Mr. Monaco ([MonacoV@hcdsb.org](mailto:MonacoV@hcdsb.org)) or Ms. Foster ([FosterJ2@hcdsb.org](mailto:FosterJ2@hcdsb.org))  
**St. Francis of Assisi School 11:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m. daily** - contact Mr. Mark Witter at [WitterM@hcdsb.org](mailto:WitterM@hcdsb.org) or call 905-877-6928.

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