

# Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday 12 Noon  $\sim$  4:00 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m.  $\sim$  4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m.  $\sim$  12 Noon

#### **PARISH STAFF**

Father K. Cull, Pastor
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Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
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SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 noon\*\*

(\*\*12:00 noon September to June)

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday 9:00 a.m.
(Bulletin has weekly schedule of Masses)

#### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Welcome! New parishioners are encouraged to register with the parish by completing a *parish registration* form, available in the Narthex or the Parish Office. You may wish to consider offering financial support to the parish by using *Sunday Offering Envelopes or pre-authorized withdrawals*. For more information contact the Parish Office.

#### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

*Baptism* - Infants and young children of parishioners are baptized on Sunday afternoons, except during the Season of Lent. Adults requesting baptism, or the other sacraments of initiation should inquire about the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Contact the Parish Office for more information.

*Marriage* - Weddings for parishioners are generally celebrated on Saturday afternoons. Kindly contact the Pastor a minimum of one year before the desired date of marriage. Preparation is provided in the Parish.

*Sacrament of the Sick* - Visits to the sick, either at home or in hospital, can be made by contacting the Parish Office. Arrangements can be made for the *Sacrament of the Sick* and for *Holy Communion*. If you are admitted to the Georgetown Hospital please be sure to identify yourself as a "Catholic" at the time of admission.

*Priesthood & Religious Life* - Contact Father Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

#### Catholic Women's League

Leslie Rutherford, President 905-877-1176 Michelle Meitz, Co-President 416-505-4354

#### **Knights of Columbus**

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#### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, April 22 Easter 4	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Acts 4.7-12; 1 John 3.1-2; John 10.11-18)	
MONDAY, April 23		No Mass	
TUESDAY, April 24	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour - CANCELLED	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation - CANCELLED	
	7:00 p.m.	No Daily Mass	
	7:30 p.m.		9 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm.
	7:30 p.m.		KofC Information Night - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY April 25	9:00 a.m.	No Daily Mass	
	7:00 p.m.		5 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm.
THURSDAY, April 26	9:00 a.m.	No Daily Mass	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm.
FRIDAY, April 27	9:00 a.m.	No Daily Mass	
SATURDAY, April 28	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fifth Sunday of Easter  Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Bento Borges; Renato Dias; Mary Stone; Antonio Frias & Adelaide Silva; Luisa Maldonado; Bill Kent; Lou & June Dreyer; George Sebalj & deceased family members. And for Special Intentions.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Luis Botelho.

#### **VOLUNTARY SECRETARY REQUIRED**

Are you capable of taking accurate minutes at a meeting? Are you interested in being involved with the parish in a more direct manner? If so, the Pastoral Advisory Council is looking for someone to take the minutes of each meeting. Generally we meet on a Wednesday evening from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. six times a year. If you are interested, please contact Gerry Byrne at gbyrne@sentex.net

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Volunteer Coordinator Required

Do you have leadership skills to organize, promote and support a Vacation Bible School program at the parish? In order to continue to offer a VBS program in late August, the parish is in need of one or two people with previous experience to coordinate the program. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

In the coming weeks, children in our parish schools will be celebrating their First Holy Communion. The

children from St. Brigid School received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, St. Catherine School received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> and Holy Cross and St. Francis Schools will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

#### **CWL NEWS**

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in "12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care" on May 4, 2018, during National Hospice Palliative Care Week, as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life. All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join members of the Holy Cross CWL in prayer and solidarity from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Church. During this time, there will be Eucharistic Adoration. From 12:00 noon until 9:30 p.m. you are asked to pray at home. Those unable to attend are still encouraged to join in prayerful support. "Let us not underestimate the power of so many voices united in prayer." (Pope Francis).

At the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Tuesday, May 15, we will celebrate the Crowning of Mary. All members are encouraged to attend, following which we will have our monthly General Council meeting.

And finally, the CWL will be hosting Coffee Saturday/Sunday and a Membership Drive next weekend (April 28/29). Volunteers are needed before and after the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday evening, as well as before and after each of the three Masses on Sunday. If you can help out, please contact Leslie (905-877-1176) or Michele (416-505-4354).

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

Interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus? Please join us at an information meeting on Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in Cote Hall and find out about our organization. We are Catholic men of faith and of charitable action who support Holy Cross Parish and our community.

#### **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications is setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2018 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

#### HOLY CROSS H.E.L.P.S.

Members of Holy Cross HELPS will be at the doors of the church after all Masses next weekend to accept your donation towards their corporal works of mercy in the community. We would like to thank parishioners for their continued support and generosity. There was no HELPS collection in March. We responded to 20 calls for food assistance. On behalf of those in need in our community, we pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for your generosity.

#### **GEORGETOWN CANDLELIGHT TRIBUTES**

Georgetown Candlelight Tributes honour our Veterans by bringing acknowledgement and recognition that are so richly deserved. The Tributes allow Students to meet and greet our Veterans and express a thank you for the Peace and Freedom they enjoy as Canadians. On Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> approximately 1,175 school children from 18 schools in Georgetown and surrounding area will participate by laying candles at Remembrance Park in Georgetown at 10:00 a.m. while the whole student body from Glen Williams Public School will lay their candles at the Cenotaph in Glen Williams at 1:00 p.m. At 6:30 p.m. people are invited to gather at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 120, Mill Street Georgetown. The "Silent Walk" begins at 7:00 p.m. sharp to the tolling of the bell at Knox Presbyterian Church. The procession

will end at Remembrance Park on James Street where candles will be placed at the Cenotaph. A reception to meet the Veterans will follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 120. Candles will be available at the sites - cost \$5 each (free to children). For further information contact Tom Schenk at 905-877-6839.

#### **HALTON ALIVE AGM**

Meet the team, learn more about Halton Alive and the future of the pro-life movement, and understand more about our financials and activities. New board members will be elected and we'll honour one special person with the Culture of Life award! Members of Halton Alive are expected to attend or submit a proxy. Guests are also welcome to attend. Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. St. Gabriel Parish, 2261 Parkway Drive, Burlington. Refreshments included. RSVP and more info at <a href="https://www.haltonalive.com">www.haltonalive.com</a> or 905-632-3232.

#### **BAPTISMS AT HOLY CROSS PARISH**

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated with children when at least one parent is a Catholic. Parents and godparents are called to take up the practice of the faith if this has been lacking. You are the "first teachers" of your children in the faith and we pray that you will be the best of teachers! For serious family reasons, permission may be given for Baptism to be celebrated in another Catholic parish, or to celebrate Baptism with families from outside our parish. Arrangements for Baptism can be made before the child is born. We ask new parents to participate in a Baptism Preparation Meeting (generally the first Thursday of each month). It would be fine to participate in this meeting before the child is born. Godparents are welcome to attend the meeting if they are able. A "godparent" is a fully initiated Roman Catholic - meaning that they are baptized, confirmed and regularly practising their Catholic faith. Baptized non-Catholics may act as a Christian Witness along with a Catholic godparent.

#### **GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL**

Father Cull and our hospital visitors make regular visits to the sick in the Georgetown Hospital. Kindly be sure to identify yourself as a Catholic so that your name can be given to us when we visit.

#### **2019 WEDDINGS**

Couples planning to marry in 2019 should contact the parish office. Kindly note that we require one year's notice of marriage to allow time for marriage preparation and the completion of the necessary documents. This requirement also applies to couples from Georgetown who are planning marriage outside the Diocese of Hamilton.

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