Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

Office hours Monday 12 noon ~ 4 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday 9 a.m. ~ 4 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. ~ 12 noon

Parish Staff Father David Wynen, Pastor Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Robert Ramage, Maintenance Mrs. Barbara Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

Parish Membership

SUNDAY EUCHARIST (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday - Friday 8:00 a.m. (Bulletin has weekly schedule of Masses)

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 David Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website <u>www.vocationinfo.ca</u>

Catholic Women's League Zenaida van Klink, President (905) 877-0439

Knights of Columbus Gerry Cole, Grand Knight (905) 873-9636 **Prayer Network** Gladys (905) 877-6389 Marie (519) 853-2018

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Saint Brigid School (905) 877-1779

Saint Catherine School (905) 702-8001



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EASTER SUNDAY	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
SUNDAY, April 24 Acts 10:34a, 37-43 • 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 • John 20:1- 18	9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, April 25 Acts 2:14, 22-33 • Matthew 28:8-15	No Mass	No Mass	Father Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba
TUESDAY, April 26 Acts 2:36-41 • John 20:11-18	No Mass	No Mass	Father Maurice Richard, OFM Conv.
WEDNESDAY, April 27 Acts 3:1-10 • Luke 24:13-35	No Mass	No Mass	Parish Secretaries and Staff
THURSDAY, April 28 Acts 3:11-26 • Luke 24:35-48	8:00 a.m. Mass	ণ Consuelo Funtanilla	Father Peter Knaapan, OFM Conv.
FRIDAY, April 29 Acts 4:1-12 • John 21:1-14	8:00 a.m. Mass	ੳ Hans Peter Baumeister ੳ Filipo & Michael Mendaglio ੳ Leo Paul Gladu	Father Antonio Cunha
SATURDAY, April 30 Acts 4:13-21 • Mark 16:9-15	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Father Irenenusz Koziak, SAC
	5:00 p.m.	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, April 25th

6:30 p.m. Youth Choir Practice - CANCELLED TUESDAY, April 26th 7:45 p.m. Prayer Group Meeting - St. Cecilia Room

Wednesday April 27th

7:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week the Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of *Lina Vivacqua*. You may wish to donate the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a deceased loved one. Please contact the office.

BEATIFICATION OF POPE JOHN PAUL II

Sunday, May 1st marks the beatification of the late Pope John Paul II. In declaring him "Blessed" the Church recognizes his personal holiness and outstanding virtue. This means that his cause for canonization as a saint moves toward its goal. We will celebrate this historic event in our parish at each of the Sunday liturgies (Saturday 5 p.m.; Sunday at 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.).

Sunday, May 1st is also *Divine Mercy Sunday*. This devotion will be offered at Sacre Coeur Church at 2:30 p.m. that day.

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

The large stained glass windows in the Sanctuary are complete! We are appreciative of the memorial donations received to date. It's still not too late to contribute. Kindly contact the parish office for more details and be a part of this historic project!

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA process will begin again in our parish in September. Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church or those who may wish to help form an instructional team are invited to contact the parish office. The team requires individuals who can effectively articulate Catholic teaching using adult learning models. A second team will also be formed to assist with the *Breaking Open of the Word* on Sundays. This team will require people who can lead a faith sharing group based on the Sunday readings. It will meet on Sunday mornings. The RCIA meeting day and time have yet to be established. Training will be provided. The compensation is out of this world!

GUM-FREE ZONE

Please DO NOT stick your used gum under the pews or on the floor of our church. We have had a child consume used gum found on the floor! Kindly dispose of your gum before coming into church - preferably in the smokers' ashtrays outside the church.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin beginning April 1st. The advertisements make our bulletin possible. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Happy Easter!

Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to bring you Easter greetings on behalf of all the parishioners and staff of Holy Cross Catholic Parish! This is an historic Easter in our parish as it is celebrated in our new parish church. Whether you join us each week or visit occasionally know that the Risen Lord welcomes you and invites you to share in His life!

For several weeks of Lent we have been preparing for this great Feast. We have tried to open our hearts once again to the Lord who suffered and died for us and rose from the dead so that we might live! For the next fifty days the church proclaims this message with the boldness that the Holy Spirit brings us. St. Athanasius called the Easter Season "one great Sunday" as Christians sing "Alleluia!" to the Lord of Life.

At Holy Cross the past several months have been a time of tremendous change. We have moved into our new parish home and adjusted to new ways of doing and being. At times even finding a seat has been a challenge! Already our new parish church is recognized as a beacon calling people to prayer, faith and action. Since February we have celebrated weddings, Confirmations, first Communions, funerals, weekday and Sunday Masses. New memories and traditions are beginning to be formed here. All of this is very good. All our parishioners contribute to the life of our community by their presence, time, talent and treasure.

The coming month of May is an important one in the life of the Catholic Church. On Sunday, May 1st, our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI will declare that Pope John Paul II is "blessed". This designation is one "step" before being declared a Saint. As a "blessed" he will have a feast day on the universal calendar of the Church - October 22 - and Catholics may pray publicly for his intercession. This designation is a recognition by the entire church of Pope John Paul's heroic virtue and holiness of life - qualities to which all of us are called.

Also, in the coming month, the Church of Hamilton Diocese will be blessed in the ordination of two of its sons to the Holy Priesthood. We have had the pleasure of hearing both Deacon Brad and Deacon Paul preach in our parish and we look forward to their lives of priestly service in our Diocese.

At Holy Cross the month of May sees the reception of the Holy Eucharist by many of the children in Grade 2 in our parish. Already today, Easter Sunday, many of these youngsters received the Eucharist for the first time with their parents. The class celebrations will take place on Sunday, May 1 (2 p.m.); Saturday, May 14 (11 a.m. & 2 p.m.) and Sunday, May 15 (2 p.m.) Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

May is also traditionally a month dedicated to our Blessed Mother. You may wish to pray the Rosary during the month of May and to recall the life of Our Lord through the mysteries of the Rosary.

Please be assured of my prayerful good wishes for you during these joyful Easter days!

Father David Wynen Pastor

