Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

Office hours

Monday 12 Noon ~ 4:00 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 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

SUMMER SCHEDULE

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

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

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST Tuesday - 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 David Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Women's League Mary Jo Jans, President (905) 873-4151

Knights of Columbus Peter McKenna, Grand Knight (905) 873-1785 **Prayer Network** Gladys (905) 877-6389 Cecile (905) 873-4055

Natural Family Planning Melissa (647) 478-8452 Joanne (905) 873-0262 Halton Catholic District School Board (905) 632-6300

Mark Rowe, Trustee rowem@hcdsb.org

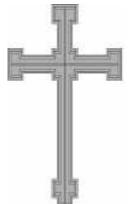
Christ the King Secondary (905) 702-8838

Holy Cross School (905) 877-4451

Saint Francis School (905) 877-6928

Saint Brigid School (905) 877-1779

Saint Catherine School (905) 702-8001



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SUNDAY, August 26 Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b • Ephesians 4:32 – 5:1-2, 21-32 • John 6:53, 60-69	9:00 a.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners 11:00 a.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, August 27 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11b-12 • Matthew 23:13-22	No Mass	Father Martin Vallely
TUESDAY, August 28 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17 • Matthew 23:23-26	9:00 a.m Daily Mass (I) In thanksgiving	Father Stephen Crowley
WEDNESDAY, August 29 Jeremiah 1:17-19 • Mark 6:17-29	9:00 a.m Daily Mass † Thomas Gravelle	Chancery Staff
THURSDAY, August 30 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 • Matthew 24:42-51	9:00 a.m Daily Mass भे Marco & Barbara Babic भे Bill Milliere	Father Gordon Kennedy, C.S.B.
FRIDAY, August 31 1 Corinthians 1:17-25 • Matthew 25:1-13	9:00 a.m Daily Mass ४ Arnold Gaudet १ Clifford Parker १ Charlie & Rosa Rici	Father David Weise
SATURDAY, September 1 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 • Matthew 25:14-30	4:00 - 4:30 p.m Reconciliation	Father Joseph Durkacz
SANCTUARY LAMP This week the Sanctuary lamp is in thanksgiving from the deOliveira Family.	5:00 p.m Sunday Vigil Mass ় Norina Tintinaglia ় Thomas Gravelle ় Antonio Rodrigues ় Michael Mendaglio (I) Silvano Guidotti	

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • August 12 & Pre-Auth.	\$ 13,302.00		
Total number of regular envelopes – 438			
Average envelope donation – \$16.11			
New Church Building Fund	\$ 5,242.00		
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION	\$ 18,544.00		
Thank you for your generosity to our parish community.			

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA process will begin in our parish in September. If you or someone you know would like to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic please contact the parish office for more information.

CATHOLICISM 101 - FOR CRADLE CATHOLICS

Ever want to learn more about the Catholic faith? Want to explore questions of faith more deeply? Looking for the "why" behind the things we Catholics believe and do? Then *Catholicism 101* may be for you. This will be a series of session offered in our parish this Fall. Stay tuned for more information!

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

Parents of children in Grade 2 (1st Communion) or Grade 7/8 (Confirmation) can register for the Sacraments now by visiting our parish website <u>www.holycrossrc.com</u> and follow the appropriate link.

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE IN!

Our parish family photo directory, commemorating the first anniversary of the dedication of Holy Cross Church, has arrived. They are available from the parish office. Note that there is one directory per photograph in the book. Additional books may be available for a \$10 donation (we would like to distribute them to all those receiving one for having their picture taken first).

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League is hosting a **"Mother & Daughter Tea"** on Sunday, September 16th at 12:30 p.m. The Guest Speaker will be Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry, Diocese of Hamilton. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses on September 1/2 and September 8/9. The cost is \$5.00 per person. You are asked to please bring your own fancy tea cup and saucer. There will be tables to seat 8 people and if you wish you may reserve a table for a group of 8. For information please contact Mary Jo at 905-873-4151.

HALTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ADVANCED STUDENT REGISTRATIONS

The Halton Catholic District School Board will open its schools for advanced student registrations for the 2012-2013 school year the week of **August 27th to August 31st**. Parents are asked to contact their local school directly for specific information regarding school office hours.

MASS INTENTIONS

One of our dear Catholic traditions is to pray for those who have died by remembering them in the celebration of Mass. We offer these intentions at daily Mass (Tuesday - Friday at 9:00 a.m.) as well as at our weekly Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass. To arrange for an announced Mass intention please contact the parish office. The offering for announced Mass intentions in the Diocese of Hamilton is \$10. The announcement of the intention is in our weekly parish bulletin and is indicated by a (\$) for someone who has died; or (I) for an intention on behalf of a living person. Mass cards and offering envelopes for announced Mass intentions can also be found in the Sacristy. Mass intentions may be directed toward Masses celebrated in the parish, or you may wish to direct the intention to the "missions". These intentions are satisfied by priests working in various missions through the Diocese of Hamilton.

CHRIST THE KING USED UNIFORM SALE

Christ the King is having a used uniform sale at the school on Thursday, August 30th from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

HYMN BOOKS

We are missing several copies of our *Catholic Book of Worship III* hymnals from the pews. If you have a copy at home please return it to the church. Thank you.

HOLY CROSS 9:00 A.M. YOUTH CHOIR

The 9:00 a.m. Youth Choir would love to have some new members join. We need singers & musicians (Guitar/Piano). Children who can read words, and their parents, are welcome to join this choir. You do not have to read music. Practices are Monday nights from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. in the St. Cecilia Room. We all sing (youth & adults) one Sunday and the Adult members sing the other Sunday. Therefore practices for the youth are every other Monday. Practices commence on Monday, September 10th at 6:30 p.m. For information please contact Marie Simpson at 905-873-9480.

MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

We continue a series in this week's bulletin on Catholic teaching about marriage. The text is from the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (© 2008 COLF) which is co-sponsored by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Why does the Church believe couples should be open to children and should not use contraception? "When it is a question of harmonizing married love with the responsible parenthood," the Second Vatican Council observed, "good intentions and motives are not enough: objective criteria must be used, drawn from the nature of the human person and human action, criteria which respect the total meaning of mutual self-giving and human procreation in the context of true love. All this is possible only if the virtue of married chastity is seriously practiced" (*Gaudium et Spes*, #51; *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #2268; *Familiaris Consortio*, #32).

As we have seen in previous articles in this series, the marital act has a double significance: it is both unitive and procreative; it is both love-making and life-making. These are, as it were, two sides of the same coin. To seek to exclude either dimension is to refuse to say what sex and marriage say. Thus when a couple give themselves fully to each other in sexual intercourse, they are implicitly renewing the promises they made on their wedding day, when they said, "yes, yes, yes," to the Church's questions: "Have you come here freely and without reservation to give yourselves to each other in marriage? Will you love and honour each other as husband and wife for the rest of your lives? Will you accept children lovingly from God and bring them up according to the law of Christ and his Church?" The language of their bodies is promising again what should be habitually in their hearts. But, when through contraception (or violence or adultery) they block one dimension of their marital act, they are not re-consummating their marriage through their bodylanguage. In deliberately rendering their sexual acts sterile - through contraceptive pills, condoms or surgical sterilisation - a couple diminish the meaning of their intimacy and fail to fully respect not only their commitment and their bodies, but also the law of God.

The Church therefore urges couples to welcome their fertility as central to the total gift of themselves to each other. The Church urges them to become knowledgeable about their fertility and to use this knowledge to plan their family responsibly. Modern methods of Natural Family Planning allow couples to regulate the size and spacing of their families with a high degree of accuracy, without in any way rejecting their bodily relationship with its God-given cycle of fertility and infertility. But this challenges them to cultivate self-mastery (chastity) within marriage, and to find ways of expressing intimacy during those times when sexual intercourse is imprudent. And it challenges the rest of the Church and community to find ways of supporting them, especially when struggling against temptation or other difficulties.

The Church honours those couples who are unable to have their own children, and who choose to adopt, foster or otherwise support and nurture the young. They too need our understanding and support.

