

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. ~ 12:00 Noon

PARISH STAFF

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SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday) 5:00 p.m.

(Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 noon**

(**Please note Mass time changes)

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 - Visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, August 8 Ordinary 19	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)	
MONDAY, August 9		No Mass	
TUESDAY, August 10	8:00 a.m.	Holy Hour	
	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass . † Pat Hayes	
		NO 7:00 p.m. Mass or Confessions	
WEDNESDAY, August 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass す Robert Brown	
THURSDAY, August 12	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Christine Biggs	
FRIDAY, August 13	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Deceased members for the Halbach Family † Len Walter † Bronislawa & Tadeusz Walczyk (I) Special Intentions	
SATURDAY, August 14	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Angelina & Manuel Medieros; Rosalina dos Anjos; Antonio Rodrigues; June Dias; Gael Knowles.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Angelina dos Anjos.

From the Pastor's Desk

As I asked in last week's homily, during these 'dog days' of summer, does Jesus have our attention? Vacation and leisure is necessary for all of us and is a blessing from God, but at the same time it can't be at the expense of our relationship with the Lord which also brings great peace in our lives – every day! Further to that is the nourishment we gain from the Eucharist which strengthens and sustains us all year around. During this month of August, we read from John chapter 6 – Jesus' great Bread of Life discourse. I encourage everyone to read through John chapter 6 this month – pray with it, let it sink in. Jesus reminds us that it is he who is the bread of life, foreshadowing the Eucharist which he will institute at the Last Supper. There is nothing more important in our Catholic faith than being able to receive our Lord in Holy Communion – let's never take it for granted. Let's allow Jesus to have our full attention all year long...

We Welcome Fr. Pierre Caouette, LC this Weekend!

We welcome Fr. Pierre Caouette to the parish this weekend, who will be preaching all of our Sunday Masses. Fr. Pierre is a priest of the Legionnaires of Christ religious order. With the move of Fr. Hayden to Milton, Fr. Dave has asked the Legionnaires to help out once-per-month to give him a bit of a break from preaching. We look forward to having them with us going forward!

Ordination to the Diaconate of Kevin Upendran

On Tuesday night at 7:00pm, our summer seminarian, Kevin Upendran, will be ordained a Deacon here at Holy Cross Parish. We are excited for him and ask everyone to keep him in your prayers! Although we would like to invite the whole parish, we still have COVID capacity regulations that have to be adhered to, so there will be limited seating. You will have an opportunity to congratulate Dc. Kevin next Sunday after each Mass.

Tuesday Mass at 9:00am This Week

Due to the Ordination at 7:00pm this Tuesday, please note that our parish Mass will be scheduled for 9:00am this day. We will have a time of Adoration beginning at 8:00am. Tuesday Confessions will be canceled this week.

COVID Protocol Updates

The Diocese, in consultation with the Ministry of Health, has released some new protocols for parishes given the reduced number of cases we are experiencing at this point in the pandemic. Although the main precautions of masks and social distancing are still in effect, there are some loosening of the rules when it comes to worship which include:

1. Communion on the Tongue – this is once again allowed, but communicants wishing to receive on the tongue are

- asked to line up at the end, in the priest's line, after all those wishing to receive on the hand have received
- 2. Communion Dialogue we will once again be saying 'The Body of Christ'...'Amen' to each communicant rather than doing so communally as has been the practise.
- Hymnals we will be returning the hymnals to the pews, encouraging congregational singing once again, albeit while still wearing a mask

We thank you for your cooperation over the past 16 months in adhering to all of the protocols in place to mitigate the risk of transmission of COVID-19. Let's continue to pray for an end to this time of pandemic!

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open with limited office hours. We will be open for in person visits on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Voice messages and emails are still being checked regularly. We will respond to any inquiries you may have as soon as they are received.

'Virtual' Children's Liturgy

We really miss welcoming our little ones each Sunday for Children's Liturgy. Until we are able to safely offer this program again, we have an online option – visit our website to follow our link to 'Children's Liturgy' each week to find some fun information and activities for families!

Subscribe to our Parish Bulletin by Email

Would you like to receive the parish bulletin each week by email? Send a message to holycrossgeorgetown@gmail.com and we will add you to our mailing list.

Online Resources

We will continue to engage with the parish online. A list of links to online resources will be published on our parish website, including links to our Facebook, Twitter and Youtube channels. We can't currently gather in person, but we will certainly do all that we can do to stay in touch!

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!

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

This process, through which adults become fully initiated members of our Catholic faith community, will begin again this Fall. If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and the possibility of becoming a Catholic, please contact Father Dave at the Parish Office. The process involves a weekly commitment to one hour sessions

and participation at Sunday Mass. It is open to unbaptized adults, those baptized in other Christian churches, and Catholics who desire to complete their initiation.

2022 Weddings

Couples planning to marry in 2022 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 marriages outside the Diocese of Hamilton.

Diocesan Anniversary Mass 2021

The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to restrictions and concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years Anniversary on the Diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass.

Lunch Hour Supervisors Needed

Lunch Hour Supervisors are needed for the 2021-2022 school year. This is a one hour per day 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 12:05 - 1:05 p.m. daily - contact Mr. Monaco (monacov@hcdsb.org) or Mr. Albani (albanit@hcdsb.org)

<u>Links2Care School Supplies Program is Back(pack)!</u>

With the help of our fabulously generous community, Links2Care is once again distributing backpacks and school supplies FREE so JK to Grade 12 Halton Hills students can go back to school in style no matter what the 2021-2022 school year looks like! You can help - DONATE: money, gift cards and NEW school supplies (see list below) are much appreciated. Donations can be made in person or by mail at 360 Guelph Street, Unit 33, Georgetown ON L7G 4B5; visit our website <u>www.links2care.ca/donate/</u> or online at www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/links2care/ or at the Georgetown Marketplace "Fill the Bus" display in centre court. To apply for your free school supplies (by August 13) call 905-873-6502; email <u>ibattista@links2car.ca</u> or cgerrow@links2care.ca or download the application from at www.links.care.ca School Supplies Wish List - Backpacks (older students only please), Binders (small only please), Notebooks (spiral), Paper (lined and quad), Report Covers, Lunch Bags, Pencil Cases (with 3 rings), Pencils, Pens (blue, black and red), Highlighters, Crayons, Pencil Crayons, Markers (thick and thin), Glue Sticks, White Glue, Erasers, Rulers, Scissors, Geometry Sets, Calculators (regular and scientific)

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