

# 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 David Wynen, Pastor Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Robert Ramage, Maintenance Mrs. Barbara Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant

Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

#### SUNDAY EUCHARIST

(Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.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)

#### 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

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#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
<b>SUNDAY, December 4</b> Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 • 2 Peter 3:8-14 • Mark 1:1-8	9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, December 5 Isaiah 35:1-10 • Luke 5:17-26	No Mass	No Mass	Father Angus Smith
TUESDAY, December 6 Isaiah 40:1-11 • Matthew 18:12-14	7:00 p.m. Mass	(I) Patricia Waskalik	Father Mike Myroniuk
WEDNESDAY, December 7 Isaiah 40:25-31 • Matthew 11:28-30	8:00 a.m. Mass	ੀ Mladen Kuhar	Our Parish Community
	3:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration	
THURSDAY, December 8 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Genesis 3:9-15, 20 • Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12 • Luke 1:26-38	8:00 a.m. Mass	पे Carl Duff	Father James Boudreau
FRIDAY, December 9 Isaiah 48:17-19 • Matthew 11:16-19	8:00 a.m. Mass	ਪੈ Carol Sweezie ਪੈ Alice (Alenka) Teipen (I) Sylvia Balazovick	Father Stephen Csiszar
SATURDAY, December 10 Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 • Matthew 17:10-13	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Father Timothy Higgins
SANCTUARY LAMP This week the Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of James English.	5:00 p.m. Mass	ប៉ Patrick Stoyles ប៉ J.L. Landry ប៉ Bernie Smith & Lorraine Robotham ប៉ Maria Carreiro ប៉ Vilma Gasperi	

#### PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, December 5

9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - All Members 6:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY, December 6** 

7:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room 7:30 p.m. Children's Liturgy Pageant Meeting - Cote hall WEDNESDAY, December 7

5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room 7:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council - Sacred Heart Room 7:30 p.m. **THURSDAY**, December 8

7:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room

7:30 p.m. New Missal Workshop - Cote Hall

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • Nov. 20 & Pre-Auth. \$ 14,531.00 Total number of regular envelopes - 562

Average envelope donation - \$16.34

New Church Building Fund 3,862.00

TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION \$ 18,393.00

#### **CHRISTMAS BREAK FAMILY FUN SKATE**

The Social Committee is running a "Family Skate" on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 per family and will be available after all Masses next weekend, December 10/11. For more information contact Jane at 905-877-7226.

#### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Adults and children wishing to participate or help out with this years Christmas Pageant to be held at the 9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass are asked to call Claudine at 905-702-9121. We require adults for supervision and coordination and children as participants. No speaking is required of the children. A meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> following the 7:00 p.m. Advent Family Mass. Please join us in this family tradition of explaining the BEST GIFT of Christmas.

#### **CtK BLANKET DRAW**

The CtK knitting club wishes to thank all those who recently purchased tickets on the knitted blanket. The lucky winner is none other than Father Dave! The monies raised (nearly \$600.00) will go to support their future knitting projects for the pediatric ward at the Georgetown Hospital.

#### **LUNCH AT CAPINA'S**

Thanks to Claudio & Anna for their kind offer of lunch for our parishioners on the *Sundays of Advent* (December 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>). There is no cost for lunch - a freewill offering can be made - proceeds will be split between Capina's & Holy Cross HELPS. Beverages are extra...join us for lunch!

#### **2012 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Boxes of 2012 Offering Envelopes have been prepared for those who currently use envelopes as a way of offering financial support for the work of the parish. Kindly pick up your box of offering envelopes after Mass. If you wish to become an envelope user please contact the parish office and a box will be prepared for you. Some of our parishioners prefer to use *pre-authorized debits* as a monthly donation to the parish. Arrangements for this way of giving can also be made with the parish office.

One change in the boxed sets of envelopes this year is that there is no monthly "Holy Cross HELPS" envelope. Parishioners can continue to support HELPS by contributing to the monthly collection at the doors of the church. This monthly collection will be further supported out of the general offerings of the parish. Your continued financial support helps HELPS help others.

All donations to Holy Cross Parish are tax deductible if the donor is identified - either by using offering envelopes or pre-authorized debits. Your continued financial support of the work of our parish and its mortgage is greatly appreciated by all!

#### **ADVENT FAMILY MASS**

Our parish schools will have an "Advent Family Mass" at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> in Holy Cross Church. All are welcome to join us for this celebration of Advent.

#### PARISH ADVENT MISSION

Monsignor J. Vincent Kerr will preach at our Masses the weekend of December 11<sup>th</sup> and offer a "mini-mission" to help us through Advent and prepare for Christmas.

As part of that weekend we will offer an opportunity for the **SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION** at our Parish Advent Penance Celebration. Several area priests will be here to celebrate the Sacrament with you on *Sunday*, *December* 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. This will be the best time to come to confession before Christmas. No other extended times for the Sacrament will be offered before Christmas.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is a beautiful way for us to celebrate our journey through this Advent Season. As we recall our sins and the great mercy of God we receive His grace and strength in our life. We can turn away from sin and walk the path of life! It doesn't matter how long it's been since our last Confession - the Lord waits for us with his loving mercy and tenderness. Join us on Sunday, December 11 at 4:00 p.m. for this priceless opportunity to share in God's forgiveness.

#### CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Yes Virginia ... there is a Midnight Mass! This is our first Christmas in our new Parish Church. Join us for these very special celebrations. Father Dave is especially looking forward to the first Midnight Mass in our new Church. Let us pray that our celebration of Christmas will be a source of blessing for all of us!

Please note the times of our Christmas & New Year's Masses:

Christmas Eve (Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011)

5:00 p.m. Christmas Mass

7:00 p.m. Christmas Mass

9:00 p.m. Christmas Mass

12:00 a.m. MIDNIGHT MASS (Incense)

Christmas Day (Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011)

9:00 a.m. Christmas Mass (Pageant) 11:00 a.m. Christmas Mass (Incense)

No afternoon or evening Masses at Holy Cross or in the Diocese of Hamilton on Christmas Day.

New Year's Eve (Saturday, December 31st, 2011)

5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day (Sunday, January 1st, 2012)

9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (<u>NO</u> 7:00 p.m. Mass)

New Year's Day is the *Feast of Mary, Mother of God,* and is a holy day of obligation in Canada.

#### **ROMAN MISSAL**

Don't forget ... "And with your spirit." Also, please do use the pew cards for some of the other responses. It'll take some time for us all to become experts at the new responses! So far, so good! Thanks to all who are helping us along the way!

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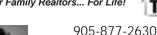




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