

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

Monsignor Edward Sheridan, Administrator
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Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
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Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse
Ms. Rachael de Souza, Youth Minister

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 - Visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

Catholic Women's League

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

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905-877-4451

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905-702-8001

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, December 2 <i>Advent 1</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Daniel 7.13-14; Revelation 1.5-8; John 18.33b-37)	
MONDAY, December 3		No Mass	
	7:00 p.m.		Coping with the Holidays - Hall
TUESDAY, December 4	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Advent Family Mass (Isaiah 11.1-10; Luke 10.21-24) † Madeline Osatchuk	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:30 p.m.		CWL Executive - Sacred Heart Rm
	7:30 p.m.		4 th Degree Meeting - Cote Hall
	8:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir - Church
WEDNESDAY December 5	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 25.6-10a; Matthew 15.29-37) † Antonio Borges & deceased family members	
	10:00 a.m. at School	Holy Cross School Advent Mass †	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:00 p.m.		RCIA - Sacred Heart Room
THURSDAY, December 6	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 26.1-6; Matthew 7.21, 24-27) † Jerry Murphy & Donna Giliomeni	
	10:00 a.m. at School	St. Catherine School Advent Mass †	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir - Cancelled
FRIDAY, December 7	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 29.17-24; Matthew 9.27-31) † Lisa Mendaglio † Michele Graziani † Marie & Gerald Haire † Kata Babic	
	7:30 p.m.		CROSSPOINT - Cote Hall
SATURDAY, December 1	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Second Sunday of Advent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Patrick Stoyles; Sherman Everard; John & Rosa Chora; Manuel & John Araujo & deceased family members; Gilhermo & Victoria Raposo & deceased family members; Salvatore & Rosalia Di Bartolo & deceased family members.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttil.

COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection • November 18	\$ 7,357.75
Total number of regular envelopes – 334	
Average envelope donation – \$18.02	
Building Fund	\$ 505.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTIONS	\$7,862.75

CHRISTMAS FLORAL TRIBUTES

During the Christmas Season, it is a fitting gesture to dedicate floral tributes in memory of deceased relatives and friends. These tributes express our faith in Christ's promise of eternal life and help to beautify the church.

Forms are available in the narthex for all who wish to make a donation. Envelope users may simply use the special envelope provided in their box. The names of all the deceased will be placed near the altar in a gift-wrapped box and your loved ones will be remembered at all the Mass during the Christmas Season.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Toonies for Turkeys offerings for the Georgetown Bread Basket will be collected in the Narthex after all Masses on the weekends of December 8/9 and December 15/16. These donations help the food bank with their heightened cash needs through the Christmas Season.

SUNDAY (Novalis) MISSALS

2019 Sunday Missals will be available for purchase after all Masses this weekend. The Knights of Columbus sell the Missals for \$5 each. The Sunday Missal is useful for reflecting on the Scripture readings before Mass. Your 2018 Missals can be left with the Knights for disposal.

CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION CHRISTMAS CAKES

Once again, Pieta Council Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas cakes after all Masses. The price for a large cake is \$25 and for a small cake \$18. All proceeds from the sale of these cakes go to Campaign Life Coalition. Please purchase one or more of these cakes to help support Campaign Life Coalition.

PARISH MEMORIAL MASS

Our Parish memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, December 15th at 1:00 p.m. We will remember in a special way those who have died during the past year, but all parishioners are invited to come to remember their own family and friends who have died over the years. Following the Mass there will be a light reception in Cote Hall. Please RSVP to Theresa Scholz at 905-873-1887, ext. 5.

FAMILY MOVIE AFTERNOON

Holy Cross Social Committee invites you to a Family Movie Afternoon on Sunday, December 9th at 2:00 p.m. We will be showing "The Santa Claus." Come out and enjoy some freshly baked goods and refreshments. Sign up after weekend Masses. This is a free family event.

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

I am starting to work on the NEW SCHEDULE which will start on January 5/6, 2019 to April 6/7, 2019. If you are not available to serve during this time period please let me know at mariebridgetsimpson@gmail.com or call 905-873-9480. If you would like to change your Mass Preference please let me know. REMINDER: There will be a SIGN UP for the Christmas and New Year's Masses posted in the Narthex the weekends of December

1st/2nd and 8th/9th. Please sign up as we will need many Ministers to cover all the Masses. Thank you for your commitment to Minister of the Altar. Marie Simpson, Co-Ordinator of Sunday Ministries.

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS

Coping with the Holidays ... when you have lost a loved one. Join us for an evening of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton. Monday, December 3rd from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Cote Hall. The event is free of charge. Please call 905-873-1887 to reserve your seat. (If you haven't registered you are still free to attend.)

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

The Sisters of St. Joseph of our Diocese are in the process of downsizing. In so doing they sent to the Chancery Office a variety of liturgical vessels, (chalices, ciboria, monstrances, candle sticks, etc.). It fell upon me to find a home for these items so Holy Cross Church will become the home of a chalice given to the Sisters in 1921 as well as a ceremonial basin and bowl. The refinishing of the items has taken place and soon they will be on display in the ambry with the Holy Oils. If anyone wishes to make a donation towards the restoration of these items I will be happy to share with you the details. Msgr. Edward D. Sheridan, PH.


CROSSPOINT: Grades 9 – 12

December 7th from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Room, ADVENT IN A TENT! - "The Prescription" Continuing our advent tradition from last year - we will be "camping out" in the Sacred Heart Room, and completing the final chapter in our Lifeteen RX Series, "The Prescription." There will be smores! In addition, join us on Wednesday, December 12th @ 6:30 p.m. in Cote Hall, as we practice and prepare for our night of caroling at the Bennett Centre on Friday, December 14th!

Jr. CROSSPOINT: Grades 6 – 8

Sunday, December 9th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Room - "Ugly Christmas Sweater Party!" To help us get ready for our caroling night at the Bennett Centre we are hosting an ugly Christmas Sweater party next Sunday!!!!!! Bring an old sweater or even a t-shirt to deck out with Christmas stuff. We will have some bits and bobbles for you, but feel free to bring your own decorations. As usual, there will be snacks! In addition, join us on Wednesday, December 12th @ 6:30 p.m. in Cote Hall, as we practice for our performance at the Bennett Centre on Friday, December 14th!



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