

Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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Sunday Eucharist
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.; 10 a.m.; 12:00 noon

Weekday Eucharist
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 a.m.
(Bulletin has weekly schedule)

Reconciliation
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration
Every Wednesday
8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Ministry to the Sick

Please call the parish office to
arrange for visits, Communion
or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Parish Membership

New parishioners are encouraged to register with the parish by completing a *parish registration form*, available at the main doors of the Church. You may wish to consider offering financial support to the parish by using *Sunday Offering Envelopes* or *pre-authorized withdrawals*. For more information please contact the parish office.

Sacramental Information

Baptism - Infants and young children of parishioners are baptized on the 2nd or 4th Sundays of each month (except during the Season of Lent). Adults needing baptism or reception into the Catholic church should inquire about the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

Marriage - Weddings for parishioners are generally celebrated on Saturday afternoons. Please contact the pastor a minimum of one year before the planned marriage date.

Priesthood & Religious Life - contact Father Dave Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website: www.vocationinfo.ca

"... be yourselves like living stones, built into a spiritual house ..."

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
SUNDAY, February 14 Jeremiah 17:5-8 • 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 • Luke 6:17, 20-25	8:30 a.m. Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass 12:00 Noon Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, February 15 James 1:1-11 • Mark 8:11-13	No Mass	No Mass	Father Mervin Perera
TUESDAY, February 16 James 1:12-18 • Mark 8:14-21	7:00 p.m. Mass	(I) Special Intentions	Father Donald Wilhelm
ASH WEDNESDAY WEDNESDAY, February 17 <i>All Day Eucharistic Adoration</i> Joel 2:12-18 • 2 Corinthians 5:20 - 6:2 • Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18	8:00 a.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	Sisters of the Precious Blood, R.P.B.
	7:00 p.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
THURSDAY, February 18 Deuteronomy 30:15-20 • Luke 9:22-25	8:00 a.m. Mass	† Bill Buck	Father Wayne Lobsinger
FRIDAY, February 19 Isaiah 58:1-9a • Matthew 9:14-15	8:00 a.m. Mass	† Ed Daly † Margaret Passerini † David Scanlan	Father Jerzy Tomon
SATURDAY, February 20 Isaiah 58:9b-14 • Luke 5:27-32	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	Father Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.
	5:00 p.m. Mass	† George Miehm † Verginio de Sousa † Maria Melo & Family † Brenda Cahill † Lucille Fernicola	

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, February 15

6:30 p.m. *Children's Choir - CANCELLED*

TUESDAY, February 16

7:30 p.m. CWL General Meeting - hall

THURSDAY, February 18

7:30 p.m. "Living our Baptism" Session 1 - hall

ASH WEDNESDAY (February 17th)

The Season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday - a day of fasting and abstinence from meat for Catholics. Join us for the celebration of Mass during which ashes will be imposed on us as a mark of our desire to turn from sin and grow in faithfulness to the Gospel.

8:00 a.m. - Parish Mass

7:00 p.m. - Parish Mass

(A Liturgy of the Word celebration with the Imposition of Ashes will take place in each of our parish elementary schools).

The next page of our bulletin has some information about fasting and abstaining from meat on Ash Wednesday. Let us keep a holy Lent.

SEASON OF LENT

Join us for the Stations of the Cross and our Lenten Adult faith education series:

Stations of the Cross - Fridays in Lent at 7:00 p.m.

Adult Faith Education for Lent

Join us for this informative series, "*Living our Baptismal Vocation*" on the following Thursdays (7:30 p.m. - 9):

Thursday, February 18th - *Baptism & Confirmation*
Theresa Hartnett (OMFRE), presenter

Thursday, February 25th - *Sacraments of Healing*
Father James Petrie, presenter

Thursday, March 4th - *The Eucharist*
David Dayler (OMFRE), presenter

Thursday, March 11th - *Marriage & Holy Orders*
Father David Wynn, presenter

These sessions are for adults, there is no charge, and all are welcome.

From Father Dave ...

It is great to be back from holidays ... it was a good rest and I feel refreshed for all the activity of the coming months. Our project is making very good progress. We can see our new parish church taking shape. In the coming week our "Transition" Committees will be meeting to begin planning our move. These committees will consider our farewell to Maple Avenue and the activities surrounding the opening and dedication of the new facility. I want to thank those who have agreed to serve on these committees.

The prayer at the end of the *General Intercessions* is our prayer for the new parish church.

I understand that it was very cold in the church at the end of January ... we have been paying our bills (in fact, the gas bill in January was nearly \$3,000). It seems to have been a problem with the coils in our boiler. It has been repaired and thanks to caretaker Rob, who speaks kindly to the boiler, we have heat.

As the Season of Lent begins you will notice some changes in the Liturgy. The priest wears purple as a sign of the penitential aspect of this Season. The *Kyrie* (Greek for Lord, have mercy) is sung at our Sunday Masses. And the baptismal font is drained and covered until Holy Saturday night. The holy water fonts at the doors of the church are filled until the 5th Sunday of Lent when they are emptied in preparation for Easter.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of *universal fasting and abstinence from meat* for Catholics. The rules for abstaining from meat are simple. All Catholics, 14 years of age and older, may not eat meat on Ash Wednesday or Good Friday as a sign of penance. One may choose to abstain from meat on Fridays throughout the year or perform some act of charity in place of abstinence.

Fasting from food applies to Catholics, in good health, who are between the ages of 18 and 59 years of age. A fast may simply mean eating less food at the times of day we normally eat.

Christian fasting obtains its full meaning when we deprive ourselves of food in order to be more open for prayer, to share more in the suffering of those who are starving and to save money to give to the poor. Fasting among Christians is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our faith.

A new schedule for our Sunday liturgical ministries has been sent by email or regular mail to our Altar Servers, Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ministers of the Word. We ask these individuals to note their assigned Masses and fulfill their ministry at these times. If one is not able to fulfill their scheduled duty kindly make arrangements for a replacement. Welcome to any new ministers who begin their service to our Sunday assembly with this new schedule. A special schedule for Holy Week will be sent out in the coming weeks.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HAITI

Thank you for your generous response to this urgent need. \$28,723.75 was collected in the parish. A further \$5,000.00 was received from St. Catherine School. God bless your generosity.

TOWN HALL MEETING

All our parishioners are invited to a *Town Hall Meeting* on Sunday, March 21st, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in the Church Hall. Our architects will make presentations and update us on the final design choices for our new parish church. Specific information regarding the interior of the Church and the arrangement of the Sanctuary will be presented.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Our February General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 16th after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. We will be having a DVD presentation about "Human Trafficking and the 2010 Olympics." All ladies of the Parish are welcome.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ anniversary of marriage in 2010? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for one of two Wedding Anniversary Masses with Bishop Tonno. Please choose either Sunday, April 11, 2010 at Church of Our Lady, Guelph or Sunday, April 18, 2010 at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton. Each Mass will begin at 2:00 p.m. Please refer to the poster at the main entrance of the Church for registration information.

YEAR OF THE FAMILY

The Diocese is observing a special "Year of the Family" - please pray for all families.

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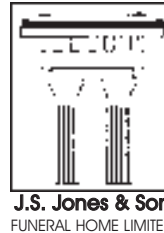
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