

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 12:00 Noon

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SUNDAY MASSES (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

Catholic Women's League

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

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Saint Francis School

905-877-6928

Saint Brigid School

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Saint Catherine School

905-702-8001

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, February 20 Ordinary 7	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, February 21		No Mass	
TUESDAY, February 22	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass ∜ Jason Mayordomo & Sylvia Angas	
WEDNESDAY, February 23	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass 🕆 Adelaide Melo	
THURSDAY, February 24	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass 🕆 Miguel Vieira	
FRIDAY, February 25	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Lorenzo Cosentino (I) In thanksgiving to St. Joseph (I) Father Dave, Father Hayden & Deacon Kevin (I) Georgette Milliere	
SATURDAY, February 26	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Victor deGannes; Carlos DaSilva; Joan Hundt; George Miehm; Mike Cummings; Manuel Garraz & Lucia Da Ponte	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the Intentions of the living and deceased members of our families and friends.

From the Pastor's Desk

"Do to others as you would have them do to you" (Lk 6:31). We hear this famous verse from scripture in today's gospel in the context of a challenging teaching on 'loving our enemies.' This Golden Rule of our faith is easy to understand but can be very difficult to live out in practise. The good news is that Jesus keeps it simple – treating others as we would want to be treated – even our enemies – is at the root of all His moral teachings. If we can get that right, we're on a good path. Getting it right however takes some patience with ourselves, it takes persistence, and it takes some honest self reflection. As we approach Lent, perhaps part of our resolution this year can be to work on getting this 'right.' It will be a challenge but will be worth every effort we make to see others through the eyes of our Lord, and to learn to love as he loves us.

Sunday Smile

A priest buys a lawn mower at a yard sale. Back home, he pulls on the starter rope a few times with no results. He storms back to the yard sale and tells the previous owner, "I can't get the mower to start!" "That's because you have to curse to get it started," says the man. "I'm a man of the cloth. I don't even remember how to curse!" "You keep pulling on that rope, and it'll come back to you."

Lent begins on March 2nd

With Lent soon approaching it is a good time to give some thought to the meaning and importance of this liturgical season. The Ceremonial of Bishops describes the 40 Days and the purpose of our Lenten discipline in these words: "The annual observance of Lent is the special season for the ascent to the holy mountain of Easter. Through its twofold theme of repentance and baptism, the season of Lent disposes both the catechumens (those preparing for baptism) and the faithful (those already baptized) to celebrate the paschal mystery. Catechumens are led to the sacraments of initiation ... and the faithful, listening more intently to the word of God and devoting themselves to prayer, are prepared through a spirit of repentance to renew their baptismal promises." Let's give some thought now about our Lenten preparations so we can hit the ground running on Ash Wednesday, and truly make this a meaningful time of preparation to celebrate the Resurrection at Easter!

Ash Wednesday - March 2nd, 2022

Mark your calendars - We will be offering 2 Masses on Ash Wednesday. The morning Mass will be at 9:00am, and the evening Mass will be at 7:00pm. Join us as we begin Lent 2022!

Support Our Catholic Schools - Make Your Vote Count

Members of the community are invited to check or change their direction of school support for the upcoming Municipal and School Board Elections this year on October 24, 2022. The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is responsible for collecting the information of residents in Ontario to create a list of eligible voters. Confirm or update your information online through www.voterlookup.ca to ensure you are on the list to vote, and to determine which school board elections you are eligible to vote in. Note: If you are interested in supporting Catholic education in Ontario, please choose English-Separate through www.voterlookup.ca Members of the community that register as Catholic School Supporters through MPAC: 1. Have the opportunity to elect Catholic school board trustees; 2. Are ensuring that their school board's assessment base is up-to-date, which is a public record of support for Catholic schools; 3. Are protecting and preserving Catholic education in Ontario! For more information, please visit: www.hcdsb.org

School Registration

Register your child for Kindergarten at HCDSB! Kindergarten registration at the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) for the 2022-2023 school year is now open! Parents and guardians who are interested in registering their child for Kindergarten are invited to visit the HCDSB website for more information https://hcdsb.info/Kindergarten

Morning & Lunch Hour Supervisors Needed

Morning & Lunch Hour Supervisors are needed for the 2021-2022 school year. This is a 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 8:50 - 9:20 a.m. and 12:05 - 1:05 p.m. daily - contact Mr. Monaco (MonacoV@hcdsb.org) or Mr. Albani (AlbaniT@hcdsb.org)

<u>St. Francis of Assisi School</u> 11:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m. daily - contact Mr. Mark Witter at WitterM@hcdsb.org or call 905-877-6928 if interested.

'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!

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.

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!

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.

Have You Moved Recently?

If you have moved or changed telephone numbers in the past few months, kindly let us know at the parish office so we can update our records.

Sunday (Novalis) Missals

2022 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 2021 Missals can be left with the Knights for disposal.

Dr. Simone - Canadian Food for Children - OPEN

We have resumed collections for Dr. Simone's Mississauga Warehouse. Please remember to wash and fold your clothing and bedding donations. If you have any questions about what is acceptable please contact the warehouse directly at 905-274-9239 or visit their website www.canadianfoodforchildren.net

<u>Virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience – March</u> 25-27, 2022

Where are you in your marriage journey? Every marriage could use a boost. Learn easy to use communication tools to help enhance your relationship. Our proven program will guide you through practical and private exercises to refresh your wedding vows and to spark up your romance. Based on Catholic values, but married couples of all faiths are welcome. Are you ready to rediscover each other? Call us NOW: Gerard & Marge McCauley at (905) 792-1925 gerard.marge@rogers.com www.wwme.org

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