

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

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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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	LITURGY	Intention	PLEASE PRAY FOR
SUNDAY, February 26 Genesis 9:8-15 • 1 Peter 3:18-22 • Mark 1:12-15	9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, February 27 Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18 • Matthew 25:31-46	No Mass	No Mass	Father Ian Duffy
TUESDAY, February 28 Isaiah 55:10-11 • Matthew 6:7-15	8:00 a.m. Mass	ੰ Gerard Maillet	Father Stephen LaCroix, C.S.B.
WEDNESDAY, February 29 Johan 3:1-10 • Luke 11:29-32	8:00 a.m. Mass	ੰ Maria Texeira	Discalced Carmelite Nuns, O.C.D.
THURSDAY, March 1 Esther 14:1, 3-5, 12-14 • Matthew 7:7-12	8:00 a.m. Mass	→ Deceased Members of the Murphy Family	Father Wallace Metcalf
FRIDAY, March 2 Ezekiel 18:21-28 • Matthew 5:20-16	9:00 a.m. Mass	† Clarence Doyle † Bob Beeney † Lucille Stokes	Father Vernon Boyd, S.J.
SATURDAY, March 3 Deuteronomy 26:16-19 • Matthew 5:43-48	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	Father Leonard Fischer, S.J.
SANCTUARY LAMP This week the Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of the Deceased Members of the DeMelo and Vieira Families.	5:00 p.m. Mass	ŷ Patrick Stoylesŷ Ron Mathe & Dora & Wesley Foltsŷ Hermano Almeidaŷ Theresa Bumanlag & Felicitas Bumanlagŷ Dorothy Sweeneyŷ John Halovanic(I) Joan & Ean Penn - 50th Wedding Anniv.	

PARISH EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

MONDAY, February 27

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

TUESDAY, February 28

7:00 p.m. Parish Lenten Mission - Cote Hall

WEDNESDAY, February 29

7:00 p.m. Parish Holy Hour & Benediction - Church

7:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room

7:30 p.m. Atrium Sacramental Prep Parent Meeting - hall **THURSDAY, March 1**

7:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room 7:30 p.m. C.W.L. Executive Meeting - Sacred Heart Room

FRIDAY, March 2

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Church

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • February 12 & Pre-Auth. \$ 14,485.00 Total number of regular envelopes — 478 Average envelope donation — \$15.45

New Church Building Fund \$ 8,882.00 Seminary Education Collection \$ 3,031.50

TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION \$ 26,398.50

Thank you for your generosity to our parish community. Next Building Fund collection is on March 11th.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The 2012 World Day of Prayer service will be held on Friday, March 2 at 7:30 p.m. at Knox Presbyterian Church, 116 Main Street South, Georgetown. This year the prayer service has been written by the women of Malaysia with the theme, "Let Justice Prevail." Please join us and invite your friends and family to attend this service and learn about Malaysia and its unique culture and heritage. The World Day of Prayer service is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically. Each year it recalls our responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of our times so that we might bring a more authentic Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, country and community. It is sponsored by the Woman's Inter Church Council of Canada and its national counterparts, and is celebrated in more than 170 countries around the world and 2000 communities across Canada. All are invited to join in this ecumenical service of prayer.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

PARISH HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

Wednesday, February 29th at 7:00 p.m.

MARCH BREAK FAMILY FUN SKATE

Please plan to join the Holy Cross Social Committee on Monday, March 12th for skating and hot chocolate. We have rented the ice at Mold Masters from 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m. Tickets will be sold for \$5.00 per family after all Masses on the weekend of March 3/4 and March 10/11. For information or to purchase tickets contact Jane at 905-877-7226 or Marie at 905-873-9480. Mark your calendars and get your tickets early so you won't be disappointed as tickets are limited.

LENTEN PARISH RETREAT SESSIONS

To assist our journey through this sacred season our parish will be offering a series of retreat sessions. The sessions will take place on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7:00 p.m. Each week we will gather for *Evening Prayer* followed by a video presentation and discussion.

The video series is the acclaimed "Catholicism" by Father Robert Barron. This series offers an in depth look at our Catholic faith.

Tuesday, February 28 7:00 p.m. Cote Hall *Amazed & Afraid: The revelation of God become Man*

Tuesday, March 6 7:00 p.m. Cote Hall *Happy are We: The teachings of Jesus*

(Tuesday, March 13 - No Session - March Break)

Tuesday, March 20 7:00 p.m. Cote Hall *The Fire of His Love: Prayer and the Life of the Spirit*

Tuesday, March 27 7:00 p.m. Cote Hall World without End: The Last Things

All are invited to participate in this spiritual journey through Lent. Our RCIA candidates will be part of the sessions. Both the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's League meetings will be pre-empted on their regular meeting nights in March so that members can

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

There is an urgency to Mark's depiction of Jesus' experience in the desert - the Spirit *drives* Jesus into the desert. What happened there? Jesus grappled with being "tempted by Satan," and in this he embraced fully the human reality of struggling to be faithful. Jesus left the desert ready to begin his ministry of proclaiming "the gospel of God." Jesus had faced his own "this is the time" and said yes. Lent is our desert time to come to saying a fuller yes to God. [Living Liturgy 2012, p. 67]

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion *Sunday, April* 1st, 2012 (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday at 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 7:00 p.m.

Mass of Chrism

Monday, April 2nd, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton. Bishop Crosby will bless the Oils to be used in the Sacraments for the coming year in the Diocese of Hamilton. All are welcome.

Day of Penance & Reconciliation

Tuesday, April 3rd, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). The Blessed Sacrament will also be exposed during this time for prayer and reparation.

HOLY THURSDAY, April 5th, 2012

7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, April 6th, 2012

11:00 a.m. Passion celebrations for <u>families with</u>

young children

3:00 p.m. Solemn Celebration of the Passion

7:30 p.m. Prayer at the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY, April 7th, 2012

12 Noon Blessing of Easter Foods (Cote Hall)

7:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY, April 8th, 2012

Masses 7:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Note additional Masses for Easter morning. [No Sunday 7:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.]

FUNERAL CELEBRATIONS

This is never an easy topic to think about, however, it is very important to make your funeral wishes known to your family members. Pre-planning with both the funeral home and the parish is *highly* recommended as a way to ensure that your wishes are followed. The norm for Catholic funerals is that family and friends gather for a period of visitation, usually the day before the celebration; then the Funeral Celebration itself (may be within the context of Mass or outside Mass) should take place in the church with the casket present. The funeral liturgy is followed by burial. Cremation is permitted for Catholics, however, the cremated remains should be buried in a cemetery and not scattered. Mass may be celebrated with the cremated remains present.

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