



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 p.m.
Tuesday - Thursday 9 a.m. ~ 4 p.m.
Friday 9 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.

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

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EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
SUNDAY, February 27 Isaiah 49:14-15 • 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 • Matthew 6:24-34	9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, February 28 Sirach 17:24-27, 29 • Mark 10:17-27	No Mass	No Mass	Father Stephen Sardo
TUESDAY, March 1 Sirach 35:1-12 • Mark 10:28-31	No Mass	No Mass	Father Frank Voorwerk
WEDNESDAY, March 2 Sirach 36:1-2, 5-6, 13-22 • Mark 10:32-45	No Mass	No Mass	Basilian Fathers, C.S.B.
THURSDAY, March 3 Sirach 42:15-25 • Mark 10:46-52	8:00 a.m. Mass	† Jocelyn McArthur	Father Angelico Valeriote
FRIDAY, March 4 Sirach 44:1, 9-13 • Mark 11:11-25	9:00 a.m. Mass	† Siena Van Hoekelen † Catherine Lena Alexan † Abbe Frigault	Father Gerald Mulhall
SATURDAY, March 5 Sirach 51:12-20 • Mark 11:27-33	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	Father Joseph Sach
	5:00 p.m.	† Eugenio & Verginio Sousa † Patrick Stoyles † Maura Moyer † Mary Kirkpatrick † John Halovanic	

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, February 28

6:30 p.m. Youth Choir Practice - St. Cecilia Room

TUESDAY, March 1

8:00 p.m. Prayer Group - St. Cecilia Room

WEDNESDAY, March 2

6:30 p.m. Parish Group Confirmation - Sacred Heart Room

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

THURSDAY, March 3

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

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Welcome to all our candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation who today publicly announced their intention to celebrate this Sacrament. Bishop Anthony Tonnos, the Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton, will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish on Friday, March 25th and Saturday, March 26th. Please pray for the candidates, their sponsors and parents during this time of preparation.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resumes today at the 9 a.m. Mass. The children will be dismissed at the beginning of Mass and will rejoin their parents at the time of the preparation of the gifts. Thanks to the dedicated catechists who make this program possible in our parish. Thanks also to the parents and children for their participation.

SOME HOUSEKEEPING ANNOUNCEMENTS

It will take some time for all of us to find our way around our new facility - which is nearly 30,000 square feet! Just a few helpful notes ...

1. *Washrooms* - are located off the "Narthex" and along the way to the Parish Life Centre (PLC). There are washroom facilities for men, women and families. Please note that change tables are available in both the men's and women's washrooms. Please treat these rooms carefully in consideration for others who will use them afterwards.

2. *Washroom visits* - Young children must be accompanied by mom or dad. Also, out of consideration for the worshipping community, you are asked to avoid disrupting our prayer by leaving during the Mass - particularly during the Consecration.

3. *Use of Facilities* - the use of meeting rooms and Cote Hall is primarily for parish meetings and groups. We will not be renting the facilities for weddings, showers, stag & doe parties, etc. Any inquiry regarding the use of parish facilities must be made directly to the parish office. Those who regularly use the facilities for meetings etc., will be given instructions on access to the building and security.

4. *Listening Assisted Devices* - we are equipped with these devices for those who need them. Units are located in the *Sacristy* located in the Narthex.

5. *Baptismal Font & Pool* - the Baptismal font & pool contains blessed water which we use for Baptism and for signing ourselves as we enter & leave the Church. Additional wall fonts are located on each side of the entrance to the *Nave*. PARENTS - please remind your children that they are NOT to enter the font at any time.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated to ensure their safety and to keep them dry.

Let us be rejoice in this new house for the Church!

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

The parish office is in the process of preparing and sending out official Income Tax receipts for donations received by the parish in 2010. Please note that these will be mailed to your homes before the end of February. Income Tax receipts are available for those who make a "recorded" contribution to the parish either through the use of offering envelopes, pre-authorized debits or cheque. Should you wish to arrange for offering envelopes or pre-authorized debits, kindly contact the parish office.

"BUILDING FUND" CONTRIBUTIONS

Now that the building is built, it does not mean that we'll retire the "building fund" just yet. Contributions to the building fund will be used to help pay down the mortgage. All contributions to this fund are not subject to the annual Diocesan Cathedraticum (11%) payable on all other donations to the parish. Your continued support of the building fund is greatly appreciated.

VISITS TO THE CHURCH

Anyone is welcome to visit the church for prayer through the day while the office is open. Simply come to the Parish Office entrance and Eileen will let you into the church.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The 2011 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER service will be held on **Friday, March 4th at 7:30 p.m.** at Holy Cross Parish. This year the prayer service has been written by the women of Chile with the theme, "How May Loaves Have You?" Please join us and invite your friends and family to attend this service and learn about Chile and its unique culture and heritage. The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March and we are pleased this year to be hosting it in our community. 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. All are welcome.

MARCH BREAK FAMILY FUN SKATE

Please plan to join the Holy Cross Social Committee on Monday, March 14 for skating and hot chocolate. Due to the great feedback from previous family skates we have once again rented a rink at Mold Masters from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and would love to see you there! Tickets will be sold for \$5 per family today after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses and next weekend, March 5/6 after all Masses. For information or to purchase tickets contact Jane at 905-877-7226 or Marie at 905-877-6928 or 877-9480.

FIRST EUCHARIST RETREATS

Retreats for children enrolled in Grade 2 in our Catholic elementary schools have begun. Thanks to Barb Boulanger and her team of volunteers for co-ordinating these excellent experiences for the children. First Eucharist celebrations will take place in the month of May in addition to our regularly scheduled Sunday Masses. The commitment celebrations will take place at the Masses on April 2 & 3.

COUNTDOWN TO LENT

Lent begins with *Ash Wednesday* on March 9th. This 40 day period of prayer, fasting and almsgiving is an annual opportunity for us to turn to the Lord who is our hope and strength.

Ash Wednesday, March 9th, 2011

8:00 a.m. Mass with the Imposition of Ashes
9:30 a.m. Word Service with Ashes (St. Brigid)
11:00 a.m. Word Service with Ashes (St. Catherine)
1:00 p.m. Word Service with Ashes (Holy Cross)
2:00 p.m. Word Service with Ashes (St. Francis)
7:00 p.m. Mass with the Imposition of Ashes

Stations of the Cross

Join us Fridays in Lent at 7:00 p.m., beginning Friday, March 11th, for the Stations. (Except Friday, March 25th).

Reconciliation

"*The light is on for you!*" The lights in our Reconciliation Chapel are on for you every Wednesday in Lent from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. beginning Wednesday, March 16th. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be celebrated each Saturday from 4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. and our Day of Penance on Tuesday, April 19 from 1:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

ShareLent

ShareLent is the annual appeal of the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. The funds collected in this annual campaign support the justice work of the Canadian Bishops in the developing world. Bishop Crosby has asked all parishes to support *ShareLent* this year. Further information about this organization can be found at www.devp.org

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Weekly time for *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* resumes on Wednesday, March 16th (8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. during Lent). This is an excellent opportunity to spend some time ... 30 minutes or an hour ... in quiet prayer before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Thank you!

Thanks to all who assisted with the "Open House" on Sunday, February 20th co-ordinated by our Dedication Committee. Several hundred people had the opportunity for a visit and tour conducted by the young people of the parish. Thanks again to all!

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