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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. ~ 12:00 Noon

## PARISH STAFF

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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](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

## Catholic Women's League

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

## Knights of Columbus

Michael Simpson, Grand Knight  
647-206-4752  
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## Prayer Network

Katie 416-433-4324

## Christ the King Secondary

905-702-8838

## Holy Cross School

905-877-4451

## Saint Francis School

905-877-6928

## Saint Brigid School

905-877-1779

## Saint Catherine School

905-702-8001

## EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, February 27 <i>Ordinary 8</i>	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 28		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 1	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Theresa Lundrigan	
ASH WEDNESDAY, March 2	9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.	Mass with Distribution of Ashes (I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
THURSDAY, March 3	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Kevin McElroy	
FRIDAY, March 4	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Ignacio Medina (I) Katie Kiss (I) Gilda Brown (I) Jenielyn Hentschel	
SATURDAY, March 5	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - First Sunday of Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Krystal Rojeli; Antonine Landry; Mary McLean; Bridget Dender. Intentions of Cristo Vasilaros; Personal Intentions.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Kevin McElroy.

### From the Pastor's Desk

On Wednesday we enter the season of Lent for 2022. As always, it's a time of spiritual renewal through a commitment to prayer, fasting and almsgiving as we draw close to our Lord. As ashes are imposed on Ash Wednesday, it's a great reminder of our mortality, and of our dependence on God's mercy. As the Minister says the words "*Repent, and believe in the Gospel*", let's take this command to heart, using this lead up to Easter to take time to repent of our sins, deepen our relationship with the Lord, and to take the time to contemplate Christ's Passion – the true price for our sins. The cross is the greatest symbol of love that the world has ever known – let's spend this Lent truly taking this reality to heart so that we can fully rejoice in the Resurrection on Easter Sunday!

### Sunday Smile

Wanting to avoid meat on Ash Wednesday, a faithful Catholic decided to join some monks at their monastery for dinner. He was treated to the best fish and chips he's ever had. After dinner, he goes into the kitchen to thank the chefs. He's met by two brothers, "Hello, I'm Brother Michael, and this is Brother Francis." "I'm very pleased to meet you. I just wanted to thank you for a wonderful dinner. Out of curiosity, who cooked what?" Brother Michael replies, "Well, I'm the fish friar." The man turns to

the other brother and says, "Then you must be..." "Yes, I'm afraid I'm the chip monk."

### **ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT FASTING AND ABSTINENCE**

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.

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Friday Evenings**

The Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Fridays. The Stations of the Cross provide an opportunity to reflect on the depth of God's self-sacrificing love, to join our sufferings to those of Jesus and to become more sensitive to the needs of those around us. This is a wonderful Lenten devotion for individuals and families.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)**

During the penitential Season of Lent, I encourage you to make your peace with God in this graced encounter with the Father of all mercies. Pope Francis so beautifully reminds us: "Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that He is already there, waiting for us with open arms...How good it feels to come back to Him whenever we are lost! Let me say once more: God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking His mercy." There are opportunities for the sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesdays from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. In addition, a **Parish Day of Penance: Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament.**

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Fridays in**

**Lent** - This Lent, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 9:30 a.m. until 12 noon. It's a great opportunity to drop by to spend some quiet time with Our Lord. Sign-up sheets will be posted asking you to commit an hour of your time during the day to assure someone is always present during this time of Exposition.

### **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.

### **Eramosa Physiotherapy - Shoulder Pain Webinar**

***Join us by Zoom on Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.*** Find out how physiotherapy can help improve your pain and restore shoulder function. Join EPA's knowledgeable Registered Physiotherapist, Meryl for a webinar all about what can cause shoulder pain and whether imaging or surgery are necessary. Meryl will go into detail about the following topics: Review of the anatomy of the shoulder; Causes of and risk factors for shoulder pain; Imaging of the back (x-rays, ultrasounds, MRI's); Treatment of shoulder pain (including physiotherapy, exercises, injections, surgery); In this webinar, you will also be provided with the opportunity to ask questions. Join the Zoom Meeting <https://eramosaphysio.zoom.us/j/85753773160> Meeting ID: 857 377 3160 or follow the link on the parish website.

### **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](http://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](http://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](http://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](mailto:MonacoV@hcdsb.org)) or Ms. Foster ([FosterJ2@hcdsb.org](mailto:FosterJ2@hcdsb.org))

**St. Francis of Assisi School 11:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m. daily** -

contact Mr. Mark Witter at [WitterM@hcdsb.org](mailto:WitterM@hcdsb.org) or call 905-877-6928 if interested.

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### **Have You Moved Recently?**

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