

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 Walter, Pastor email: dwalter@hamiltondiocese.com Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance

Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse Ms. Rachael de Souza, Youth Minister SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 noon**

(**12:00 noon September to June)

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 <u>www.HamiltonVocations.com</u>

Catholic Women's League

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, February 3 Ordinary 4	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12.31 - 13.13; Luke 4.21-30)	
MONDAY, February 4		No Mass	
TUESDAY, February 5	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 12.1-4; Mark 5.21-43) ऐ Mary Stone	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:30 p.m.		4 th Degree Meeting - Cote Hall
	7:30 p.m.		CWL Executive - Sacred Heart Rm
WEDNESDAY February 6	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 12.4-7, 11-15; Mark 6.1-6 † Silvano Guidotti & deceased family members	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, February 7	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews12.18-19, 21-24; Mark 6.7-13) (I) Gilda Brown	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 a.m. Choir - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, February 8	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 13.1-8; Mark 6.14-29)	
SATURDAY, February 9	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Victoria & Guilhermo Alves & Sons; Manuel & Joao Araujo & Family; Kevin & Delia Soares; Maria Vieira; John & Jeremiah deOliveira; Stella, Tom & Jack Alward; Flora Zappacosta.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttil.

COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection • January 13 & 20	\$ 15,782.00
Total number of regular envelopes — 746	
Average envelope donation — \$16.97	
Regular Collection • January 15 Pre-Auth.	\$ 5,220.00
Total number of regular envelopes — 68	
Average envelope donation — \$19.19	
Building Fund January 13, 15, 20	\$ 4,761.25
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$ 25,763.25

FOLLOW HOLY CROSS PARISH

Follow Holy Cross Parish on Twitter or Facebook. If you are a user of Twitter and/or Facebook, you can now stay up to date on all the happenings at Holy Cross through our new social media feeds! You can find us on Twitter @HCParish and on Facebook @HCParishGeorgetown.

HEALTH & WELLNESS - Senior's Get Together

Thursday, February 14th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Cote Hall. Seniors are invited to join up with other Seniors for an afternoon of relaxation and fellowship. This is an opportunity to hear favourite musical arrangements and songs performed by Dino Arsenault. Light refreshments will be served. Please contact Theresa Scholz at 905-873-1887 if your require transportation.

CHILI & FAMILY GAMES NIGHT

Plan to join us on Saturday, February 9th after the 5:00 p.m. Mass in Cote Hall for Chili, Hotdogs and Dessert followed by a family games night. Tickets are \$10 per family or \$5 per person. Bring your favourite game and stay and visit with friends and parishioners. If you would like to donate a pot of chili or dessert please let us know at the sign up table. Tickets are available after all Masses this weekend, February 2/3.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to the immense generosity of our Holy Cross Parish community, an abundance of clothing consisting of over 250 coats, hundreds of sweaters, pants, jackets, scarves, hats, mittens, shoes and boots for men, women and children were donated to the following organizations which distribute these items without any charge to their clients: Food for Life Food Bank at St. John's United Church, Georgetown; Regeneration serving homeless and near-homeless men and women in Brampton and surrounding areas; the Welcome Drop-In Centre in Guelph; Hope House in Guelph; and Onward Willow Neighbourhood Group also in Guelph that serves adults with developmental disabilities, immigrants and clients from shelters. We sincerely thank all donors as well as the many volunteers who helped to sort and distribute all donated items.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

The Parish Office will be mailing 2018 Income Tax receipts for donations received in the past year. Envelope users and those who support the parish through Pre-Authorized Debits, as well as directed donations received through 2018 will receive a receipt. Those who wish to support the parish through Sunday offering envelopes or through pre-authorized debits are invited to contact the parish office. Thanks to all for your generosity and support of the parish.



The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Answers to a set of Frequently Asked Questions appear in parish bulletins regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at oneheartonesoul.ca.

Are Parishes in a position to take on needed projects? This, of course, varies from Parish to Parish, but in general most Parishes are not in a strong position to take on major projects (those of \$250,000 or more), and many projects have been delayed because of a lack of funding. One of the main reasons for the diocesan capital campaign is to assist Parishes big and small to gain more solid footing for the future – whether that's by completing an overdue project, retiring debt, building a

contingency fund or looking ahead with a new ministry or new staff.

What about Parish debt and Parish reserves – in general, where do things stand?

The majority of the Diocese's Parishes can meet their operating budget and can take on small capital projects. Only a few, however, have substantial savings. Some have incurred debt, and the Diocese assists where it can with donations and loans, some of which are interest-free, to Parishes.

Will the Parishes or the Diocese take on debt because of this campaign?

It's possible for the right project and the right reasons, but that is to be determined by the Diocese and Parishes as the campaign planning moves forward.

What is the Ex Corde Foundation and how does it work? The Ex Corde Foundation was established in 2011 with a gift of \$21.5 million from the Diocese of Hamilton and provides financial assistance to Parishes and other Catholic charities within the Diocese and across Canada. Ex Corde, which means "From the Heart," is operated by a board of directors and provides grants to repair or renovate buildings; to provide and maintain religious artifacts and works of art; and to support religious education and catechesis. As of September 2018, the foundation had donated \$5.1 million, 90 percent of which has gone to parishes or other Catholic organizations within the Diocese. The grant amounts vary widely but commonly have been in the range of \$15,000 to \$25,000. The remaining 10 percent has gone to Catholic Parishes, dioceses or other organizations from outside the Diocese of Hamilton. The foundation board selects recipients twice a year from grant applications. For a list of all the grants awarded, see the link on the Ex Corde website, www.excordefoundation.com.

GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

Father Dave and our hospital visitors make regular visits to the sick in the Georgetown Hospital. Kindly be sure to identify yourself as a Catholic so that your name can be given to us when we visit.

CALLED TO LIFE WORKSHOP

Equip yourselves with the education and tools to shift the culture and become a catalysts to build a strong culture of life in your parish. Our first step toward building a compassionate support and mentorship program for mothers and unplanned pregnancy. For women parishioners, sponsored by the CWL and Halton Alive. Saturday, February 23, 8:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. St. Raphael's Parish, 4072 New St., Burlington. Cost \$5, Refreshments provided. RSVP by Friday, February 15 with Tawnya Arsenault at cec@haltonalive.com

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