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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. (October 14 - April 28)

RECONCILIATION
Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Tuesday - 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 - Contact Father David Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Burial at Holy Redeemer Cemetery - Contact Catholic Cemeteries of Hamilton (905) 877-8500.

Catholic Women's League

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(905) 877-4451

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(905) 702-8001

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(905) 632-6300

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Eucharist	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, February 10 <i>Ordinary 5</i>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Isaiah 6.1-2a, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 15.1-11; Luke 5.1-11)	
MONDAY, February 11		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - Adults
TUESDAY, February 12	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Genesis 1.20 - 2.4a; Mark 7.1-13) (I) Special Intentions	
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour (Church)	
	7:30 p.m.		K of C General Meeting (Cote Hall)
ASH WEDNESDAY, February 13	9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass with Distribution of Ashes (Joel 2.12-18; 2 Corinthians 5.20 - 6.2; Matthew 6.1-6, 16-18) (I) Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners	
	7:00 p.m.		5 pm Choir Rehearsal CANCELLED
THURSDAY, February 14	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	Daily Mass (Deuteronomy 30.15-20; Luke 9.22-25) † Clarence & Madeline Varey	
	7:00 p.m.		11 am Choir Rehearsal (St. Cecilia)
FRIDAY, February 15	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 58.1-9a; Matthew 9.14-15) † Patricia McCarthy † Ron Beek † Jeanine & Anne Reichen	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY February 16	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - 1 st Sunday of Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Robert Ehmann; Charlie Camilleri; Bill Finnigan; Albina Clarizio; Marie & Wilfred Gomes	

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Mary & James Boyle.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Attention Knights of Columbus Members

Our February General Meeting will be held at **Sacre Coeur Parish**, 39 Guelph Street, Georgetown, on **Tuesday, February 12th** starting with Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by our General Meeting downstairs in the Church hall at 7:30 p.m.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Our next CWL General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 19th following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. All are welcome.

FAMILY PASTA NIGHT CANCELLED

Our Parish Family Pasta Night on **Saturday, February 16th** has been cancelled due to lack of ticket sales. Anyone who purchased tickets has had their money refunded. Thank you.

SEASON OF LENT

The *Season of Lent* begins with **Ash Wednesday** (February 13th). Today's bulletin attachment is Bishop Crosby's Pastoral Letter for Lent 2013. During the 40 days (including Sundays) we make sacrifices, take on penance, fast and abstain from non-essentials, so that we might focus more directly on the Lord in our lives.

Ash Wednesday (February 13th, 2012)

9:00 a.m.	Parish Mass with Imposition of Ashes
9:30 a.m.	Liturgy - St. Brigid School (School)
11:00 a.m.	Liturgy - St. Catherine School (School)
1:00 p.m.	Liturgy - Holy Cross School (School)
2:00 p.m.	Liturgy - St. Francis School (School)
7:00 p.m.	Parish Mass with Imposition of Ashes

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent at 7:00 p.m. beginning February 15. 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.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who assisted with the celebrations of Confirmation in our parish (February 8th & 9th). Bishop Tonnos, our retired Bishop presided at these celebrations. Thanks to our teachers, catechists, sponsors, parents and candidates for their participation and work. Thanks also to our parish choirs for providing music for our celebrations. Let us pray that the grace of the Sacrament of Confirmation will deepen in the lives of our newly Confirmed so that they may be strengthened as followers of Christ.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2013? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 2, 2013 at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 p.m. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Please contact the parish office for information or to register for the celebration.

BAPTISMS AT HOLY CROSS PARISH

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated with children when at least one parent is a Catholic. Parents and godparents are invited to take up the practice of the faith if this has been lacking. You are the "first teachers" of your children in the faith and we pray that you will

be the best of teachers! For serious family reasons, permission may be given for Baptism to be celebrated in another Catholic parish, or to celebrate Baptism with families from outside our parish. Arrangements for Baptism can be made before the child is born. We ask new parents to participate in a *Baptism Preparation Meeting* (generally the first Thursday of each month). It would be fine to participate in this meeting before the child is born. Godparents are welcome to attend the meeting if they are able. A "godparent" is a fully initiated Roman Catholic - meaning that they are baptized, confirmed and regularly practising their Catholic faith. Baptized non-Catholics may act as a *Christian Witness* along with a Catholic godparent.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to the celebration of the Eucharist in the Catholic Church, however, only initiated Catholics, who have made their first Communion, may receive Holy Communion in the Catholic Mass. Our non-Catholic (Anglican, Lutheran, Pentecostal, United) friends are invited to join us in prayer at that sacred moment. The same applies when Catholics find themselves at a communion service in non-Catholic church. Even though there may be an invitation to the table, Catholics are asked to respect the Eucharistic discipline of the Catholic Church and not receive communion in a non-Catholic Church. We long for the day of full table fellowship when Christians will be fully unified - but we are not there yet.

DR. MOIRA McQUEEN, LLB., MDiv, PhD

As part of our Year of Faith, Dr. Moira McQueen, Executive Director, Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute, will make a presentation on "Some Current Topics in Bioethics from a Catholic Perspective" at the Cathedral of Christ the King on Monday, February 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Auditorium. Dr. McQueen graduated in Law from the University of Glasgow, Scotland, and worked as a lawyer for several years, specializing in family law and juvenile court. After her Master of Divinity Degree from the Faculty of Theology, University of St. Michael's College, she earned a PhD in moral theology. She has been a professor of moral theology at the Faculty of Theology since 1994 and has written and co-authored several articles and book chapters in bioethics, fundamental ethics, sexual ethics and other areas. Her book, *Bioethics Matters*, was published by Novalis in 2008. Dr. McQueen was appointed Executive Director of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute in 2004. She is consulted regularly by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

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