

# Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday 12 Noon  $\sim$  4:00 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m.  $\sim$  4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m.  $\sim$  12 Noon

### **PARISH STAFF**

Father K. Cull, Pastor
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Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance
Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 noon

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* - Contact Father Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

# Catholic Women's League

Jane Santaluce, President (905) 877-7226

# **Knights of Columbus**Jim McDonald, Grand Knight

(905) 873-2519

# Holy Cross Youth Group hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com

**Prayer Network** 

Chris (905) 877-0462 Frans (905) 877-6369

# 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

#### FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, February 5 Ordinary 5	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Isaiah 58.6-10; 1 Corinthians 2.1-5; Matthew 5.13-16)	
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	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
TUESDAY, February 7	2:00 p.m.		Prayer Shawl Group - Sacred Heart Rm
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour - CANCELLED	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - CANCELLED	
	7:00 p.m.	NO MASS	
	7:30 p.m.		CWL Executive - Sacred Heart Room
WEDNESDA Y February 8	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:00 p.m.		Men's Health Presentation - Cote Hall
THURSDAY, February 9	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
	6:15 p.m.		Alpha Course - Cote Hall
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, February 10	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
SATURDAY, February 11	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Maria Trindade; Kevin & Delia Soares; Artur Raposo; Katarina Zilavec; Maria Vieira; Bill Finnigan & Joseph & Barbara Gyorvary; Patrick Melvin. And Intentions of Klass Post.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttil.

## MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

Alpha has begun . . . The Alpha program has begun. I am grateful to the many parishioners who have offered their help and support, especially Gerry Byrne who has taken the lead with all the preparation. As I mentioned in the homily a few weeks ago, the success of the program depends upon you as parishioners extending invitations to people who do not have a relationship with Christ and are searching for meaning and purpose in their lives. I am confident that those joining us will be welcomed with open arms and loving hearts. Please pray that God will bless our efforts as a parish family to reach out to those whom the Lord desires to embrace.

Welcome to Bishop Daniel Miehm . . . On Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup> Bishop Miehm will confer the sacrament of Confirmation upon many young members of our community. We warmly welcome him and pray that the young people to be

confirmed will be open to a fresh outpouring of God the Holy Spirit. Given the retreat days that were offered at the parish and the upcoming rehearsals with the candidates, I am confident that the young people are very well prepared.

## **ALPHA - REGISTRATION**

We are still accepting registrations for the Alpha Course. Alpha is for people who do not have a relationship with God, or for people who have been away from church for an extended period of time, or for people who have had little or no experience of the Christian faith. If you, your spouse, family member, coworker or friend would benefit from this course, please inform them about Alpha and provide them with the URL below. Each Alpha session begins with a meal, followed by a 30-minute video and then small group discussions. The discussions are an opportunity to share your thoughts and ideas in a loving, accepting and non-

judgmental atmosphere. For more information about the program, to register, to view videos or to send an email for more information, enter the following URL into your Internet browser: <a href="https://goo.gl/YkPZ7R">https://goo.gl/YkPZ7R</a> or visit the parish website at <a href="www.holycrossrc.com">www.holycrossrc.com</a> For people who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, plans are in place to introduce a similar program next year.

#### **MEN'S & WOMEN'S RETREATS**

Come join us for a silent retreat at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre. The retreat is a special time away from the frenzy of everyday life: a time to relax, reflect, pray and learn, perhaps for the first time, to enjoy the blessing of silence. It is a wonderful opportunity to come to know God in your own way in a peaceful, prayerful setting. Women's Weekend - March 10 to 12, 2017 and Men's Weekend - March 17 to 19, 2017. Transportation can be arranged. For more information please contact Daryll or Joanne Hillier at 905-873-0262.

## **HEALTH & WELLNESS UPCOMING EVENTS**

February 8<sup>th</sup> presentation "What's New In Men's Health" by Urologist Dr. Kevin Kwan - From 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Cote Hall. Admission is free, refreshments available. This is an evening of information on prostate health for adult men, but women (wives, mothers) are most welcome.

Senior's Get Together . . . Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Cote Hall. Senior's are invited to join up with other Senior's 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 you require transportation.

## **INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**

The Parish Office will be mailing 2016 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 2016 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.

## **UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

*Chili & Games Night* . . . Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> after the 5:00 p.m. Mass in Cote Hall. We will be serving Chili, hotdogs and dessert. Tickets will be on sale starting in February.

*March Break Family Skate* . . . Plan to join us on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:15 p.m. to 8:05 p.m. at

MoldMasters Arena. Sign up will begin at the end of February. Watch for details to follow.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. . . Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at Dunfield Theatre in Cambridge. We will travel by coach bus to the theatre. Tickets are \$65 per person and will be available this weekend or by contacting the parish office. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and return at approximately 11:00 p.m.

#### **DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday**, **June 25**, **2017** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please contact the parish office for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

### **RETROUVAILLE**

Stress in Your Marriage? - Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationships. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Retrouvaille can help. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend March 24, 2017, please call 905-664-5212 or email: <a href="mailtonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca">hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca</a> or visit the website at <a href="mailtonretrouvaille1.org">www.retrouvaille1.org</a>

## **GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL & SICK VISITS**

Father Cull 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. Please note that the *Sacrament of the Sick* can be received at <u>any time</u> of serious illness or before surgery. If you, or a family member, are homebound due to illness please inform the parish office. Arrangements can be made for the reception of Holy Communion, home visits and the assistance of our parish nurse.

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

The Parish Office will be closed from Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 noon until Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. If there is a medical emergency requiring the ministry of a priest please call the parish office at 905-873-1887 and select extension 3 to speak to someone.

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