# 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 Twitter: @HCParish Facebook: @HCParishGeorgetown

Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Kyle Sibbett, Maintenance Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

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)

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

**Knights of Columbus** Francis St. Pierre, Grand Knight 905-873-6455 **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



## **BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, January 12 Baptism of the Lord	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7; Acts 10.34-38; Matthew 3.13-17)	
MONDAY, January 13		No Mass	
TUESDAY, January 14	2:00 p.m.		Prayer Shawl Meeting - Sac. Heart
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (1 Samuel 1.9-20; Mark 1.21-28) (I) Gerard Wilcox	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:30 p.m.		KofC General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY January 15	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Samuel 3.1-10, 19-20; Mark 1.29-39) ∜ Christine Biggs	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, January 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Samuel 4.1c-11; Mark 1.40-45) ∜ Margaret Bubrin & dec. mem. of the Matelis & Raytek families	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 a.m. Choir Rhrsl St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, January 17	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Samuel 8.4-7, 10-22a; Mark 2.1-12) <sup>‡</sup> Silvano Guidotti & deceased family members <sup>‡</sup> Tony & Manuela Silva <sup>‡</sup> Maria Armanda Tavares (I) Don Burns	
SATURDAY, January 18	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Patrick & Paula Canavan; Maria Vieira Tirano & Frank Tirano; Louis Botelho; Bento Borges; Karyna Joseph; Sheri Yacynuk; Alexandra Gutierrez Alanes.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Pat & Paula Canavan.

## **COLLECTION REPORT**

Christmas Collection	\$ 26,797.00
New Year's Collection	\$ 4,567.00
Regular Collection • December 29	\$ 10,830.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,505.00
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$ 43,699.00

#### **ORDINARY TIME**

The *Season of Christmas* concludes today with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord. *Ordinary Time* begins. This is an important period of the Church's liturgical year. Despite its title, many wonderful things can happen during this period. We are called to continue to open our hearts to the mystery of God's love as it unfolds in the Scriptures.

The Season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on

**Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**. Easter will be celebrated on **Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**. Ordinary Time resumes after the Feast of Pentecost - 50 days after Easter.

## WELCOME MSGR. SHERIDAN

We welcome Monsignor Edward Sheridan, PH, back to Holy Cross Parish from January 14<sup>th</sup> - January 20<sup>th</sup>. Monsignor will be with us to celebrate Mass while Father Dave is away on vacation.

#### HOMILIES ONLINE

Some of you have been asking if Fr. Dave could post his Sunday homilies online. If you are interested, the texts of his homilies are now posted on the parish website at <u>holycrossrc.com/homilies</u>. New homilies will be posted following that weekend's Masses.

## **CWL NEWS**

This is just a quick reminder that the next CWL General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 p.m., following 7:00 p.m. Mass. The requested food bank donation for the meeting is cash or grocery store gift cards. Thank you for your generosity, the Georgetown Bread Basket greatly appreciates our ongoing support.

2020 membership fees are now due. You can pay your fees at the January meeting.

Also at the meeting, there will be registration for the retreat taking place on Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga. This retreat is open to all women of the Parish. The topic is based on a book written by Anne Jamieson called "A Recipe for Faith: Choosing and Using the Best Ingredients." Following is a brief synopsis of the course outline: "We have all been invited to the potluck, Now, what recipe to make? When we think of our response to the Divine Invitation as choosing our recipe for faith, we can consider what choosing and using the best ingredients looks like. We'll consider what is fresh, fragrant and abundant and how to pass that on to others." The cost is \$45 each, and your payment is required at the time of registration.

Please remember that all of our General Council meetings are FRAGRANCE FREE ZONES. Kindly refrain from using perfumes, colognes, scented body washes, hairspray, etc. in order to keep the meeting safe for those members who may experience fragrance allergies. Thank you.

And finally, as always, women of the Parish are welcome to join us at the meeting to see if they would like to become new members!

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus General Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Please join us for Mass at 7:00 p.m.

## PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

The Prayer Shawl group will meet in the Sacred Heart Room on Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. New members are always welcome. Light refreshments.

## **INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**

The Parish Office will be mailing 2019 Income Tax receipts for donations received in the past year in February. Envelope users and those who support the parish through Pre-Authorized Debits, as well as directed donations received through 2019 will receive a receipt. Those who wish to support the parish through Sunday offering envelopes or through preauthorized debits are invited to contact the parish office. Thanks to all for your generosity and support of the parish.

## SUNDAY (Novalis) MISSALS

2020 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. Your 2019 Missals can be left with the Knights for disposal.

## SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2020

This is the final weekend to pick up your boxed sets of 2020 envelopes. If you were unable to pick up your envelopes after Mass please contact the office. If you are not currently an envelope user and would like to start please contact the parish office. Also, *pre-authorized giving* forms have been processed for January 2020. If you have not returned your form or would like to start using pre-authorized giving please be sure to start your form with February 2020 donations.

## **GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL & SICK VISITS**

Father David Walter 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.

## **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 called 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.

## 2020 WEDDINGS

Couples planning to marry in 2020 should contact the parish office. Kindly note that we require one year's notice of marriage to allow time for marriage preparation and the completion of the necessary documents. This requirement also applies to couples from Georgetown who are planning marriage outside the Diocese of Hamilton.

