

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

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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

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Holy Cross Youth Group hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, January 15 <i>Ordinary</i> 2	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2.1-12)	
MONDAY, January 16		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
TUESDAY, January 17	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 2.5-12; Mark 1.21-28) ∜ Sally Perreira	
	7:30 p.m.		CWL General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY January 18	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 2.14-18; Mark 1.29-39) † Alfons Pissinger	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:00 p.m.		Pastoral Advisory Council - Sac. Hrt.
	7:30 p.m.		4 th Degree Meeting - Cote Hall
THURSDAY, January 19	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 3.7-14; Mark 1.40-45) 🕆 Joan Welsh	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, January 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 4.1-5, 11; Mark 2.1-12) † Lisa Quinn † Joao & Merces de Oliviera † Patrick Laurie † George Sebalj † Patrick Melvin	
	7:00 p.m.		Family Movie Night - Cote Hall
SATURDAY, January 21	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Robert O'Gorman; Gaetana Fornito; Adino Mancini; Katarina Zilavec; Joan Gauthier; Deceased Members of the Miscio Family.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Carole Perry.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

A Growing Community . . . I am grateful for the many new parishioners who continue to register and make their home with us. This past Christmas, I estimate that there were approximately 5200 who gathered to worship with us over the six Holy Masses that were offered, including about 1,600 at the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. Another sign of the growth we are experiencing is the number of children preparing for the celebration of the sacraments. Over the next few weeks the grade seven young people will be gathering for a retreat day at the church in preparation for the celebration of the sacrament of

Confirmation in February . Please keep these young people and their families in your prayers.

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.

ALPHA - REGISTRATION

The Alpha course begins at Holy Cross Parish on Thursday, January 26th! We are accepting registrations. 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, co-worker 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: https://goo.gl/YkPZ7R or visit the parish website at www.holycrossrc.com For people who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, plans are in place to introduce a similar program next year.

CWL NEWS

Welcome back! Our January General meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 17th at 7:30 p.m. following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Our Guest Speaker, Dr. Carolyn Teske, will talk to us about eye health. Mrs. Leslie Rutherford's health challenge for January is to exercise three times per week, for a minimum of 20 minutes each time. Also, we will be collecting grocery store gift cards and cash for the Georgetown Bread Basket. We hope to see you there. You are always welcome to bring a friend to join us.

HEALTH & WELLNESS UPCOMING EVENTS

Coat, Hat and Mitten Drive - Our Parish Nurse and the Health and Wellness Committee with the support from other groups in our parish will be holding a "Coat, Hat and Mitten Drive" on the weekend of January 21/22 for the needy in our community. Please bring your gently used and clean coats, hats and mittens to the Sacred Heart Room before and after all the Masses on that weekend only. If you or someone you know wish to receive any of these free items please pick them up from the Sacred Heart Room after any of the Masses. On Monday, January 23rd all remaining items will be distributed to Food For Life food bank - located at St. John's United Church Georgetown; Regeneration Outreach Community, Brampton - serving homeless and near homeless (in 2016 51,000 meals were served); and Welcome In Drop-in Centre in Guelph.

February 8th 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.

HALTON ALIVE FILM NIGHT

Join Halton Alive in viewing *The Euthanasia Deception*. Learn more about this very important issue that is affecting Canadians. Kevin Dunn, producer and director of the film will do a short presentation and question period after the 54 minute film. Tuesday, January 31st at 7:30 p.m. at the Oakville Banquet Hall. Tickets are \$10 per person at the door, popcorn and drinks are included. RSVP to reserve your seat at www.haltonalive.com/film-nights or call the office at 905-632-3232.

EUTHANASIA & ASSISTED DYING

Dr. Moira McQueen of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute will offer a presentation and Q&A on the need for conscience rights protection for physicians, healthcare workers and Catholic institutions in light of the legalization of assisted dying and euthanasia. Join us at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Sunday, January 29th at 12 noon (following the 11:00 a.m. Mass) for this presentation in McNally Hall - a light lunch will be provided.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Family Movie Night . . . Friday, January 20th at 7:00 p.m. in Cote Hall. Join us for a movie, hot chocolate, coffee and timbits. We will be watching a family friendly movie. Tickets are \$5 per family and will be available after all Masses this weekend.

Chili & Games Night . . . Saturday, February 25th 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.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. . . Thursday, March 30th 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 starting this weekend or contact the parish office. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and return at approximately 11:00 p.m.

2017 WEDDINGS

Couples planning to marry in 2017 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.

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