

Holy Cross Catholic Parish

Established as a Parish of the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

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Tuesday - Thursday • 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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Bulletin announcements accepted until
12 Noon on Mondays

Parish Staff

Father David Wynen, Pastor
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Sunday Eucharist
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.; 10 a.m.; 12:00 noon

Weekday Eucharist
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 a.m.
(Bulletin has weekly schedule)

Reconciliation
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration
Every Wednesday
8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Ministry to the Sick

Please call the parish office to
arrange for visits, Communion
or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Parish Membership

New parishioners are encouraged to register with the parish by completing a *parish registration form*, available at the main doors of the Church. You may wish to consider offering financial support to the parish by using *Sunday Offering Envelopes* or *pre-authorized withdrawals*. For more information please contact the parish office.

Sacramental Information

Baptism - Infants and young children of parishioners are baptized on the 2nd or 4th Sundays of each month (except during the Season of Lent). Adults needing baptism or reception into the Catholic church should inquire about the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

Marriage - Weddings for parishioners are generally celebrated on Saturday afternoons. Please contact the pastor a minimum of one year before the planned marriage date.

Priesthood & Religious Life - contact Father Dave Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website: www.vocationinfo.ca

"... be yourselves like living stones, built into a spiritual house ..."

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
SUNDAY, January 17 Isaiah 62:1-5 • 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 • John 2:1-12	8:30 a.m. Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass 12:00 Noon Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, January 18 1 Samuel 15:16-23 • Mark 2:18-22	No Mass	No Mass	Father Arthur Scidmore
TUESDAY, January 19 1 Samuel 16:1-13 • Mark 2:23-28	No Mass	No Mass	Father Joseph Vano
WEDNESDAY, January 20 <i>All Day Eucharistic Adoration CANCELLED</i> 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 • Mark 3.1-6	No Mass	No Mass	Holy Cross Parish
THURSDAY, January 21 1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7 • Mark 3:7-12	No Mass	No Mass	Father Anthony Ciavaro
FRIDAY, January 22 1 Samuel 24:2-21 • Mark 3:20-21	No Mass	No Mass	Father Drago Gacnik, S.D.B.
SATURDAY, January 23 2 Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 • Mark 3:20-21	4:00 - 4:30 p.m	Reconciliation	Father Paul Boucher
	5:00 p.m. Mass	† Brittany Jacobs † John Stoyles † Grace Almeida † Manuel Hilario † Al Hunkeler	

JUNIOR & SENIOR KINDERGARTEN

Junior & Senior Kindergarten Registration will take place on Tuesday, January 26th and Wednesday, January 27th at each Catholic elementary school in Halton from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Children registering in Junior Kindergarten must be 4 years of age on or before December 31, 2010. Children registering in Senior Kindergarten must be 5 years of age on or before December 31, 2010.

Please Note: Children currently registered in their Catholic school's Junior Kindergarten program are not required to register for the school's Senior Kindergarten program. Placement will be processed by the school unless otherwise notified by the parent(s)/guardian(s).

A Roman or Eastern Rite Catholic Baptismal Certificate is required.

Proof of Age is also required.

Before registration is finalized, a child will have completed the prescribed program of immunization for diphtheria, tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles, mumps and rubella. Parent(s) must provide evidence of immunization record.

For further information or alternate registration date, contact the principal of your nearest Catholic School.

WELCOME MONSIGNOR KERR

Father Dave will be away from the parish beginning January 18th until February 1st. We welcome Monsignor Vincent Kerr, a priest of the Diocese of Hamilton, who will preside and preach at our Sunday liturgies. The parish office is open as usual and neighboring parishes will offer assistance with emergency sick calls and funeral celebrations in Father's absence.

THANK YOU

Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for assisting with the delivery of parish offering envelopes. And to Tony Smyth for co-ordinating this effort.

PARISH REGISTRATION

It is important to register as a member (or family) in the parish as a sign of your belonging to our Catholic community. If you would like to register please complete the "Registration Form" found at the front entrance of the church. Also, if you have moved kindly inform the parish office by telephone or email (holycrossgeorgetown@bellnet.ca) so that we can update our parish records. Registration at Catholic school does not register the family as parishioners.

PARISH WEBSITE

Our parish website (www.holycrossrc.com) has undergone some changes - check it out.



**Bishop's Pastoral Letter "The
Year for Priests"
January 17, 2010**

To the faithful of Hamilton Diocese,

In the Spring of 2009, our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI proclaimed a special "Year for Priests" which began on June 19, 2009, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Pope chose this year because it marks the 150th anniversary of the death of the patron saint of priests, St. John Vianney, who is also known as the Curé of Ars. With this holy priest as an example, the Holy Father has said that this special year is, "intended to encourage priests in striving for spiritual perfection on which, above all, the effectiveness of their ministry depends."

This was what St. John Vianney did in his world of post-Revolution France. It was a time when faith and religious practice were weak. Ordained a priest in 1815 St. John Vianney was later sent to the town of Ars, with a warning from his Bishop that the people there had little love of God. It would be up to Father Vianney to inspire the parishioners. With this in mind he set himself to educate the faithful, as well as visit the sick and families in his parish. The Curé did much to transform the hearts of his flock by his saintly life and devotion to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. His spiritual concern was reflected in the long hours which he spent advising people and bringing God's mercy in the Sacrament of Penance. His was a life of prayer and dedication to God's people whom he served.

As we celebrate this "Year for Priests" we rejoice in the goodness, dedication and devotion of the priests who serve God's people in our Diocese. We thank God for them. Every priest realizes how greatly he depends on the grace of God and on the prayers of His people. May these prayers be abundant. So too, may our thanks be apparent. During this special year I encourage all to pray, especially before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, for all priests. Pray, also, for an increase in vocations to the Holy Priesthood. In this year for priests our Holy Father invites all priests to draw ever closer to our Lord Jesus Christ, in order that they may more completely share in his divine mission.

In closing, I quote the words of Claudio Cardinal Hummes, Prefect of the Vatican Congregation for the Clergy. In his letter for this special year, Cardinal Hummes wrote, "the Church says to her priests above all, but also to all the faithful, that she is proud of her priests, loves them, honours them, admires them and that she recognizes with gratitude their pastoral work and the witness of their life. Truthfully priests are important not only for what they do but also for who they are."

✠ *Anthony F. Tonnos, DD*
Bishop of Hamilton

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ anniversary of marriage in 2010? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for one of two Wedding Anniversary Masses with Bishop Tonnos. Please choose either Sunday, April 11, 2010 at Church of Our Lady, Guelph or Sunday, April 18, 2010 at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton. Each Mass will begin at 2:00 p.m. Please refer to the poster at the main entrance of the Church for registration information.

CONGRATULATIONS!

We extend congratulations to the architect of our new parish church, Roger Farwell, of the Walter Fedy Partnership, who will be honoured with the *Waterloo Region Record's Barnraiser Award* on January 20th. This prestigious recognition is given to honour Roger as "an innovative leader who has had a meaningful impact on the community through his architectural work and his commitment to a variety of community projects."

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Please note that 2009 Income Tax receipts have been **mailed** to all parishioners and individuals who have made a recorded donation to our parish in 2009. Please be sure to check the mail for your receipt. A statement of income and expenses has been sent to those who support the parish by using offering envelopes and pre-authorized debits. To sign up for offering envelopes or pre-authorized giving please complete a *Parish Registration Form* found at the main entrance of the Church.

FROM FATHER DAVE ...

Marge Willis, a long time member of our parish, is celebrating her 90th birthday. Parishioners and friends are welcome to join her family and friends for a **SURPRISE** party on Saturday, January 23 at the home of Harry and Eileen Ellis (85 Weber Drive). Drop in between 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. for a "wine & cheese open house." Her gift is your presence.

Congratulations Marge, God bless.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC TODAY

There will also be a Blood Pressure Clinic after each Mass this weekend for any parishioners over the age of 18 years old. This is a great way to have a registered nurse take your blood pressure, help you track it and give you advice on how to manage it.

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