

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 K. Cull, Pastor
Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
Mr. Robert Ramage, Maintenance
Mrs. Barb 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. (Resumes October 20, 2013)

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 Cull 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
Jane Santaluce, President
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(905) 702-8001

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Eucharist	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, January 19 Ordinary 2	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Isaiah 49.3, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 1.1-3; John 1.29-34)	
MONDAY, January 20		No Mass	
	6:45 p.m.		9 am Choir Rehearsal - Adult Members
TUESDAY, January 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Samuel 16.1-13; Mark 2.23-28) (I) Angela de Oliveira & Family	
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Ben Kavanagh	
	7:30 p.m.		CWL General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY, January 22	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Samuel 17.32-33, 37, 40-51; Mark 3.1-6) † Mary Calvert	
	7:00 p.m.		5 pm Choir Rehearsal - CANCELLED
	7:00 p.m.		Pope Francis and the Joy of the Gospel - Cote Hall
THURSDAY, January 23	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Samuel 18.6-9, 19.1-7; Mark 3.7-12) † Jack McGrinder	
	7:00 p.m.		11am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
	7:00 p.m.		R.C.I.A.
FRIDAY, January 24	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Samuel 24.2-21; Mark 3.13-19) † Ron Beek † Melvyn D'Souza † Doug Christensen	
SATURDAY, January 25 <i>The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle</i>	4 - 4:30 p.m	Reconciliation	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Hermano Almeida; Ljubica Babic; Melanie Luciani; Filomena & Marcantonio Albanese; Bento Borges. Special Intentions	
This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners.			

CHILI AND THEATRE FAMILY NIGHT AT CHRIST THE KING SECONDARY SCHOOL

Mark your calendars now and plan to join the Holy Cross Social Committee on **Saturday, March 1st, 2014** for a Family Chili Dinner in the Cafeteria at Christ the King Catholic Secondary School and then enjoy a Musical Evening in the CtK Theatre. The **"BLACK FAMILY"** will be there to entertain. They are a Musical Family, Fiddlers & Singers with a **"CELTIC FLARE"**. Two Hundred tickets will be available for the Dinner and Theatre, Family \$20 or Single for \$10 and 100 tickets just for the Theatre at \$5.00 each. Tickets will be available to purchase after all Masses on February 1st/2nd, February 8th/9th and February 15th/16th.

For information contact Marie Simpson at 905-873-9480 or Jane Santaluce at 905-877-7226. If you can help us by making some Chili for the dinner please let us know as soon as possible. Plan to join us and **"Wear Green"** as it is close to St. Patrick's Day!! If you would like information about the Black Family go to the internet under **"The Black Family Music"** and you can listen to their music and learn about the family.

SPIRIT & SONG HYMN BOOKS

Two hundred copies of the Spirit and Song Hymnal have been ordered at a cost of \$2,500. If you would like to make a donation to help defray the cost, please contact the parish office.

Message from Father Cull

I wish to encourage young people of the parish to participate in the following events for youth.

Winter Hike – Sunday, February 2nd from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Lift Jesus Higher Rally – Saturday, March 1st from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. We are still accepting registration for the Lift Jesus Higher Rally. Please contact the parish office for more information or to register your highschool age youth for the event.

Youth Conference in Toronto - July 4 - July 6, 2014 – We had a wonderful response to our Youth Conference and we are expecting to send 20 people to join the Steubenville Toronto event.

HOLY CROSS HELPS COLLECTION

Members of Holy Cross HELPS will be at the doors of the Church after all Masses on January 25/26. All money collected goes to help local residents in need. Thank you for your generosity

POPE FRANCIS AND THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL

On November 24, 2013, Pope Francis issued an Apostolic Exhortation on the Joy of the Gospel. Among his many insightful reflections, he describes a parish in the following words: “It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a centre of constant missionary outreach.” As a way of entering into the mind and heart of our Holy Father, I will be offering two sessions on some of the key components of the Exhortation. The sessions will be offered on Wednesday, January 22nd and Wednesday, January 29th from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick can be celebrated anytime one is seriously ill or facing major surgery. It is not reserved to the time of death. We do not have “last rites” which suggest a limitation in appreciating the healing ministry of the Church’s prayer. When someone is near death there are special prayers of commendation that are used. Please call the parish office if you, or a member of your family wishes to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick.

GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

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.

NEXT SUNDAY IS COFFEE SUNDAY

Please join us in Cote Hall after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses next Sunday, January 26th for Coffee Sunday. Religious Articles and Fair Trade Coffee will be on sale in the Narthex. There will be two stations for Blood Pressure Clinics, the Servery and the Sacred Heart Room.

2015 WEDDINGS

Couples planning to marry in 2015 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.

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.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

This annual, world-wide observance, takes place January 18th through January 25th. It is meant to be an encouragement to Christians to pray and work together for the unity for which Christ prayed. Let us pray that all Christians will live in harmony with one another and that people of all faiths may deepen their commitment to the dignity of every human life, peace and non-violence.

BATHROOM VISITS

We are experiencing some minor vandalism in the church bathrooms. Parents are kindly asked to ensure their children are supervised on any trips to the bathrooms.

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