



# 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 Wynen, Pastor  
Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary  
Mr. Robert Ramage, Maintenance  
Mrs. Barbara 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. (October 14 - April 28)

**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 David Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

**Catholic Burial at Holy Redeemer Cemetery** - Contact Catholic Cemeteries of Hamilton (905) 877-8500.

## Catholic Women's League

Mary Jo Jans, President  
(905) 873-4151

## Prayer Network

Gladys (905) 877-6389  
Cecile (905) 873-4055

## Mark Rowe, Trustee

rowem@hcdsb.org

## Saint Francis School

(905) 877-6928

## Knights of Columbus

Peter McKenna, Grand Knight  
(905) 873-1785

## Natural Family Planning

Joanne (905) 873-0262

## Christ the King Secondary

(905) 702-8838

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(905) 877-1779

## Holy Cross School

(905) 877-4451

## Saint Catherine School

(905) 702-8001

## Halton Catholic District School Board

(905) 632-6300

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Eucharist	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, January 27 <i>Ordinary 3</i>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Nehemiah 8.2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12.12-14, 27; Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21)	
MONDAY, January 28		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - Adult Members
TUESDAY, January 29	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 10.1-10; Mark 3.31-35) † Diane Flynn	
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour (Church)	
	7:30 p.m.		Liturgy Committee (Sacred Heart Room)
	7:30 p.m.		K of C Executive Meeting (St. Joseph)
WEDNESDAY, January 30	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 10.11-18; Mark 4.1-20) † Maria & Manuel Corriea	
	7:00 p.m.		5 pm Choir Rehearsal (St. Cecilia)
THURSDAY, January 31	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 10.19-25; Mark 4.21-25) (I) Barb Egan	
	7:00 p.m.		11 am Choir Rehearsal (St. Cecilia)
FRIDAY, February 1	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 10.19-25; Mark 4.21-25) † Mike Cannon † Ziggy Rolek † Eugene Poirier	
SATURDAY February 2	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Ethel Courtney; Cecile Clairmont; Renata Septkoff; Albina Clarizio; Herbert Dimmer	
This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of William Dwyer.			

### PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT 2012

At a recent meeting of the Parish Finance Council, the members reviewed and approved the 2012 Financial Report for submission to the Diocese of Hamilton. Our total revenue for 2012 was \$724,843.28 thanks to the generosity of those who offer support to the parish. An additional \$116,683.95 was received in *Building Fund* donations which are now used to reduce our indebtedness. Our total expenses for the year amounted to \$714,928.85 which includes the usual operation of the parish and payments on interest and principal on our loans in the amount of \$187,371.88. The expenditure amount also includes \$57,952.14 paid in Diocesan Assessments (11% of assessable income) that amount will rise to 13% in 2013. The Finance Council is satisfied with the results of this past year and will continue to carefully manage expenses and debt repayment. We anticipate the sale of the Maple Avenue property this year which will

significantly reduce our bank debt. The members of the Parish Finance Council are: Louis Galvao (Chair), William (Bill) Kent, Brian Clark, Melissa van Berkum, Father David Wynen and Eileen Anderson (Secretary).

Our thanks once again to all those who regularly support the parish with financial contributions. If you would like to become an *Offering Envelope* user or support the parish through *Pre-Authorized* bank debits please contact our parish office or complete a parish registration form. All donations given in either offering envelopes or by pre-authorized debits receive an annual donation receipt which can be used for Income Tax purposes.

### HOLY CROSS PARISH FAMILY PASTA NIGHT

Our Parish Social Committee is happy to invite all parishioners to join us for our Family Pasta Night on **Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>** at Christ the King Catholic Secondary School. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with dinner served at 7:15 p.m. Tickets can be purchased after all

Masses starting next week or by contacting the parish office after January 28<sup>th</sup>. Tickets per family (adults and young children) are \$25.00; or \$10.00 per person. Coffee, tea, water and juice provided. A cash bar for wine and beer. There will be children's games and Bingo! after dinner. Join us for this fun-filled event. Get your tickets early as this event is usually sold out.

### **CIAO!**

Thanks to all for your kind good wishes and bon voyage as I begin my sabbatical in Rome. As I've said in previous bulletin messages this is a grace-filled and privileged opportunity for me. I will be staying at the Pontifical North American College and participating in their continuing education program for priests. Please know that I will pray for you and our parish community in the holy places I will visit during my time away. These months will also provide me with some welcome rest and opportunities for retreat and reflection. I return to Holy Cross Parish on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. During my absence Father Mark Sullivan will preside at Sunday, Daily and Funeral Masses. My thanks to him for accepting this responsibility. Priests from neighbouring parishes will also assist with some sacramental and school celebrations.

### **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 invited 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.

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT THE 9 A.M. MASS**

Thanks to the leaders & volunteers who offer *Children's Liturgy of the Word* each Sunday at the **9:00 a.m.** Mass. It's not too late to sign up!

### **CHILDREN AT MASS ...**

Speaking of children - what a great joy it is to have so many children and families at our parish Masses - it is a great sign of our future as a parish. Sometimes the little ones get a little excited. If this happens parents may wish to bring their child to the Narthex until they calm down. If toys are necessary - quiet and soft toys are preferred. Thanks to our parents for bringing their children to Mass ... sometimes it's a struggle, but then each stage of parenting brings its own challenges. The regular participation in Sunday Mass will help form our children as followers of the Risen Lord.

### **DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2013? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 2, 2013 at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 p.m. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Please contact the parish office for information or to register for the celebration.

### **RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

All are welcome to the celebration of the Eucharist in the Catholic Church, however, only initiated Catholics, who have made their first Communion, may receive Holy Communion in the Catholic Mass. Our non-Catholic (Anglican, Lutheran, Pentecostal, United) friends are invited to join us in prayer at that sacred moment. The same applies when Catholics find themselves at a communion service in non-Catholic church. Even though there may be an invitation to the table, Catholics are asked to respect the Eucharistic discipline of the Catholic Church and not receive communion in a non-Catholic Church. We long for the day of full table fellowship when Christians will be fully unified - but we are not there yet.

### **SEMINARY EDUCATION COLLECTION**

*"Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above."* (James 1:17) The annual Diocesan collection in support of the seminarians of the Diocese of Hamilton takes place on the weekend of February 9/10. A seminarian is someone who is studying and preparing to be a priest. Please remember in your prayers the 16 seminarians who are preparing for priestly service in the Diocese of Hamilton. May their generous response to the call of God influence and inspire many others to do the same. For information including photos, biographies and personal reflections of the seminarians, please see the Diocese of Hamilton Vocation Office website [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

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