



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

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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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(905) 873-2519

Holy Cross Youth Group

hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com

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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, January 8 <i>Epiphany</i>	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 9 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
TUESDAY, January 10	2:00 p.m.		Prayer Shawl Meeting - Sacred Heart
	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) † Carmela Santaluce	
	7:30 p.m.		KofC General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY January 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 2.14-18; Mark 1.29-39) † John Gibson	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, January 12	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 3.7-14; Mark 1.40-45) † Silvano Guidotti, Stefan Amella, Maria Savarino, Maria Gaetano Borges, Pasquale & Pina Amella	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, January 13	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 4.1-5, 11; Mark 2.1-12) † Ljubica Babic † Ernesto (Toto) Madrinan † St. Joseph & Souls in Purgatory	
SATURDAY, January 14	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> Edward Duffy; Garfield Moxam; Rodrigues Tavares; Dan & Margaret Sills; Bento Borges, Munir Khalid.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Filomena Albanese.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

A heartfelt expression of thanks . . . On behalf of the parish staff, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all who sent greetings, cards and gifts. May the Christmas season be a time of peace and joy for you and your loved ones. A special word of thanks is extended to all who helped to celebrate Christmas with such reverence and gracious dignity. Thanks to all who gave of their time and talents to decorate the church so beautifully. Thanks to the choirs, children's liturgy leaders, altar servers, readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion and ministers of hospitality.

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

On this Solemnity of the Epiphany, the Magi follow the guidance of a star that leads them to Bethlehem. In a spirit of humility, they present their gifts to the One who is priest, prophet and king:

- Frankincense for a priest: Jesus is the eternal High Priest of the new covenant.
- Myrrh for the anointing of a body at the time of burial: Jesus fulfills the prophetic word that the Saviour would give His life for the salvation of all people.
- Gold for a king: Jesus is the King of all creation.

During the Christmas Season, we too worship the newborn King and place our gifts before Him. The Gospel today reminds us that the Magi were humble enough to seek direction in order to find their way. On the journey of faith, we also need others to assist us, pray for us and encourage us.

As a parish family, may we continue to support one another on the journey of faith. Please join me daily in praying the prayer for our parish family found on the parish website.

Christmas Floral Tributes

Thank you to all who made a donation in memory of a deceased loved one and helped to beautify the church during the Christmas Season. As we praise God for all those who became members of the parish this past year through the sacrament of baptism, we also remember and continue to pray for all those who were buried from the parish this past year and for their families. To all those who mourn the death of a loved one and are experiencing a sense of loss during this season of peace, we offer the support of our prayers.

Outdoor Hockey . . . Over the Christmas holidays and further along the winter months, please know that I would be delighted to join you for some hockey if you have a backyard rink, pond (preferably one that is frozen over!) or other area where you will be gathering to play. Feel free to contact me at the parish office if you or your family are planning some outdoor fun.

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 your family wish to receive any of these free items please pick them up from the Sacred Heart Room after each of the Masses. On Monday, January 23rd all remaining items will be distributed to various agencies.

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.

Prayer Shawl Committee - meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Sacred Heart Room. Since our initiation in January 2010 a total of 635 prayer shawls have been distributed to people needing prayer and consolation in times of illness, grief or special celebrations. In November 2016 a large number of knitted hats, scarves, mitts and socks were distributed to the 2 local food banks, Links-2-Care and Catholic schools. Come and join us for knitting/crocheting, sharing patterns, refreshments, laughter and conversation at the monthly meeting. All donations of wool are gratefully accepted.

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.

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