



Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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*Established as a Parish in the
Diocese of Hamilton in 1956*

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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.

RECONCILIATION
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 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

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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER GOD	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
SUNDAY, January 1 Numbers 6:22-27 • Galatians 4:4-7 • Luke 2:16-21	9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, January 2 1 John 2:22-28 • John 1:19-28	No Mass	No Mass	Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.
TUESDAY, January 3 1 John 2:29; 3:1-6 • John 1:29-34	No Mass	No Mass	Father Edward Hinsperger
WEDNESDAY, January 4 1 John 3:7-10 • John 1:35-42	8:00 a.m.	† Donna Doucette	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate, C.M.I.
THURSDAY, January 5 1 John 3:11-21 • John 1:43-51	8:00 a.m. Mass	† Carol Sweezie	Father Mariusz Durbajlo
FRIDAY, January 6 1 John 5:5-13 • Mark 1:4-5, 7-11	8:00 a.m. Mass	† Don Bannon † Kenneth Spiers † Holy Souls	Father Mark Sullivan
SATURDAY, January 7 1 John 5:14-21 • John 2:1-12	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	Father Adam Wroblewicz, C.R.
SANCTUARY LAMP This week the Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Colleen Moir.	5:00 p.m. Mass	† Filomena Albanese † Joseph Azzuolo † John Cummins † Robert Beeney † June Howden † Dec. Mem. of the Falzon Family	

PARISH EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY, January 3

7:30 p.m. CWL Executive Meeting - Marian Room

WEDNESDAY, January 4

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Session for Parish Course

THURSDAY, January 5

7:30 p.m. RCIA - Church tour

7:30 p.m. Baptismal Preparation - Cote Hall

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • Dec. 11 & Pre-Authorized \$ 14,991.00

Total number of regular envelopes – 571

Average envelope donation – \$16.18

New Church Building Fund \$ 7,919.00

TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION \$ 22,910.00

ROMAN MISSAL

It has been nearly one month since the Catholic Church, in the English-speaking world, began using the new English translation of the 3rd Edition of the Roman Missal. We are working our way through some of the new expressions and responses. One to be attentive to is the response to the priest's invitation, Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father. The people stand and say, *May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.*

2012 SACRED ART CALENDARS

New 2012 calendars are available free of charge after Masses today. These calendars have been provided in support of *Catholic Missions in Canada*. Did you know that vast parts of our country are still considered "mission territory." *Catholic Missions* provides support to bishops, priests and religious living and working in some of the most remote parts of our country. It also supports church sponsored projects to assist the population of these areas.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Thanks to the members of our parish who offer generous support for the work of our community and the needs of our parish buildings. New parishioners and those who do not yet have a way of financially supporting the parish are encouraged to request *Sunday Offering Envelopes* or to consider *Pre-Authorized Debits*. Our parish office will be pleased to arrange either form of giving for you. Please note that the second Sunday of each month is our *New Church* collection. All the proceeds (100%) go toward the mortgage of our new parish buildings. These funds are not subject to the annual Diocesan assessment of 11%. Your kind financial support and your contributions of time and talent help make Holy Cross the great parish that it is!

TAX RECEIPTS

Income tax receipts for donations made to Holy Cross Parish in 2011 will be mailed before the end of February. Holy Cross Parish is a Federally registered charitable organization, subject to the regulations of the Canada Revenue Agency concerning charities. All identified donations to the parish are eligible for an income tax receipt.

WEDDINGS IN 2013

Couples planning to marry at Holy Cross Parish in 2013 are invited to contact the parish office to make arrangements. We ask one year's notice of marriage in order to accommodate the various aspects of the preparation process. Those planning weddings away from Georgetown are also asked to offer one year's notice - often these weddings involve additional documentation which can take time. Catholics are encouraged to follow the Church's law regarding marriage, namely, that it takes place in a Catholic church before an ordained deacon or priest and in the presence of two witnesses.

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. They will resume on Sunday, January 15th. 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.

PHOTO DIRECTORY SESSIONS

This week we continue with another round of sittings for our Parish Photo Directory. If you have not yet signed up and would like to participate please call the parish office. Kindly note your sitting time if you have it scheduled this week.

We have arranged opportunities for our various parish ministries and groups to have a photo taken on **Saturday, January 7th** in the Church at the following times. Please note your time and arrive a few minutes early:

10:00 a.m.	Atrium Leaders
10:15 a.m.	Children's Liturgy leaders Funeral Choir & 11 a.m. Choir
10:30 a.m.	RCIA Team members
10:30 a.m.	CWL Executive & Convenors
10:40 a.m.	K of C Executive
10:50 a.m.	Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)
11:00 a.m.	Extra-Ordinary Ministers
11:15 a.m.	Ministers of the Word
11:30 a.m.	Altar Servers
12 Noon	Pastoral Council Marriage Preparation Team
12:15 p.m.	Health & Wellness Committee
12:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m. Sunday Choir
12:45 p.m.	7:00 p.m. Sunday Choir
12:50 p.m.	Baptism Prep & Celebration Teams
1:00 p.m.	Dedication Choir 5:00 p.m. Saturday Choir
1:15 p.m.	Liturgy Committee

Thanks to all who are working on this project ... we hope to have the books in hand by Easter.

PASTORAL MINISTRY TO YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SAME-SEX ATTRACTION

This document, published by the Canadian Bishops is well worth reading. Copies are available in the Narthex or online at www.cccb.ca under documents. This is an important issue and it is good for us to understand our Church's teaching on the matter.

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