



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
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Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
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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

Knights of Columbus

Jim McDonald, Grand Knight
(905) 873-2519

Holy Cross Youth Group

hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com

Prayer Network

Chris (905) 877-0462
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Saint Francis School

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Saint Brigid School

(905) 877-1779

Saint Catherine School

(905) 702-8001

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, January 29 <i>Ordinary 4</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Zephaniah 2.3, 3.12-13; 1 Corinthians 1.26-31; Matthew 5.1-12)	
MONDAY, January 30		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
TUESDAY, January 31	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 12.1-4; Mark 5.21-43) † Josephine Ennett	
	7:30 p.m.		Liturgy Committee - Sacred Heart Rm
WEDNESDAY February 1	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 12.4-7, 11-15; Mark 6.1-6) † Mary Jean Carty	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, February 2 <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Malachi 3.1-4; Luke 2.22-40) † Doreen Long	
	6:15 p.m.		Alpha Course - Cote Hall
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, February 3	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hebrews 13.1-8; Mark 6.14-29) † Bill Bruder † Michele Graziani † Marko & Barbara Babic (I) David Parker Jr.	
SATURDAY, February 4	10:00 a.m.	Sacrament of Confirmation	St. Brigid School
	1:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Confirmation	St. Francis of Assisi School
	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> George & Nina Busuttill; Donald Blackmore and Deceased Members of the Fitzpatrick Family; Verginio Sousa; Ashley Christina; Patricia Pupula; Bob Lavoie; Intentions of Gino & Iole Luisetto.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Carolina Pannella.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

Alpha began this past Thursday . . . The first session of the Alpha program began last Thursday. I am grateful to the many parishioners who have offered their help and support, especially Gerry Byrne who has taken the lead with all the preparation. As I mentioned in the homily a few weeks ago, the success of the program depends upon you as parishioners extending invitations to people who do not have a relationship with Christ and are searching for meaning and purpose in their lives. I am confident that those joining us will be welcomed with open arms and loving hearts. Please pray that God will

bless our efforts as a parish family to reach out to those whom the Lord desires to embrace. *Blessing of Children preparing for First Holy Communion . . .* This weekend we offer a special blessing to the children of the parish who are preparing to celebrate their first Holy Communion during the Easter Season. The children celebrated the sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession for the first time this past November. Please pray that the children and their families will worship with us and treasure the gift of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Welcome to Bishop Daniel Miehm . . . On Saturday February 4th and Saturday February 18th Bishop Miehm will confer

the sacrament of Confirmation upon many young members of our community. We warmly welcome him and pray that the young people to be confirmed will be open to a fresh outpouring of God the Holy Spirit. Given the retreat days that were offered at the parish and the upcoming rehearsals with the candidates, I am confident that the young people are very well prepared.

ALPHA - REGISTRATION

We are still accepting registrations for the Alpha Course. 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.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S RETREATS

Come join us for a silent retreat at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre. The retreat is a special time away from the frenzy of everyday life: a time to relax, reflect, pray and learn, perhaps for the first time, to enjoy the blessing of silence. It is a wonderful opportunity to come to know God in your own way in a peaceful, prayerful setting. Women's Weekend - March 10 to 12, 2017 and Men's Weekend - March 17 to 19, 2017. Transportation can be arranged. For more information please contact Daryll or Joanne Hillier at 905-873-0262.

HEALTH & WELLNESS UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

Senior's Get Together . . . Tuesday, February 14th from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Cote Hall. Senior's are invited to join up with other Senior's for an afternoon of relaxation and fellowship. This is an opportunity to hear favourite

musical arrangements and songs performed by Dino Arsenault. Light refreshments will be served. Please contact Theresa Scholz at 905-873-1887 if you require transportation.

EUTHANASIA & ASSISTED DYING

Dr. Moira McQueen of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute will offer a presentation and Q&A on the need for conscience rights protection for physicians, healthcare workers and Catholic institutions in light of the legalization of assisted dying and euthanasia. Join us at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Sunday, January 29th at 12 noon (following the 11:00 a.m. Mass) for this presentation in McNally Hall - a light lunch will be provided.

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.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Chili & Games Night . . . Saturday, February 25th after the 5:00 p.m. Mass in Cote Hall. We will be serving Chili, hotdogs and dessert. Tickets will be on sale starting in February.

March Break Family Skate . . . Plan to join us on Wednesday, March 15th from 7:15 p.m. to 8:05 p.m. at MoldMasters Arena. Sign up will begin at the end of February. Watch for details to follow.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. . . Thursday, March 30th at 7:30 p.m. at Dunfield Theatre in Cambridge. We will travel by coach bus to the theatre. Tickets are \$65 per person and will be available this weekend or by contacting the parish office. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and return at approximately 11:00 p.m.

GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL & SICK VISITS

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. Please note that the *Sacrament of the Sick* can be received at any time of serious illness or before surgery. If you, or a family member, are homebound due to illness please inform the parish office. Arrangements can be made for the reception of Holy Communion, home visits and the assistance of our parish nurse.

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