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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

SUMMER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

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

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SUNDAY, July 29 2 Kings 4:42-44 • Ephesians 4:1-6 • John 6:1-15	9:00 a.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners 11:00 a.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, July 30 Jeremiah 13:1-11 • Matthew 13:31-35	No Mass	Father Roger Formosi
TUESDAY, July 31 Jeremiah 14:17-22 • Matthew 13:36-43	9:00 a.m. - Daily Mass † Patrick Quinlan	Father Victor McNamara
WEDNESDAY, August 1 Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21 • Matthew 13:44-46	9:00 a.m. - Daily Mass † Souls in Purgatory	Eudiste Fathers, C.J.M.
THURSDAY, August 2 Jeremiah 18:1-6 • Matthew 13:47-52	9:00 a.m. - Daily Mass † Suzanne Bellavance	Bishop Anthony Tonnos
FRIDAY, August 3 Jeremiah 26:1-9 • Matthew 13:54-58	9:00 a.m. - Daily Mass † John Grace † Berniece Doucett (I) In thanksgiving for Genevieve	Father Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.
SATURDAY, August 4 Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24 • Matthew 14:1-12	4:00 - 4:30 p.m. - Reconciliation	Father Frank Ruzza, C.R.S.P.
SANCTUARY LAMP This week the Sanctuary lamp is in memory of Cecilia Clare Gibson.	5:00 p.m. - Sunday Vigil Mass † Peter Hrkac † Pietro Minna & Lily Peppes † Cynthia Tobin † Gemma Di Filippo † Tony & Louise Klemencic	

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • July 15 & Pre-Auth. \$ 11,824.00

Total number of regular envelopes – 448

Average envelope donation – \$15.12

New Church Building Fund \$ 3,160.00

TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION \$ 14,984.00

Thank you for your generosity to our parish community.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA process will begin in our parish in September. If you or someone you know would like to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic please contact the parish office for more information.

CATHOLICISM 101 - FOR CRADLE CATHOLICS

Ever want to learn more about the Catholic faith? Want to explore questions of faith more deeply? Looking for the “why” behind the things we Catholics believe and do? Then *Catholicism 101* may be for you. This will be a series of session offered in our parish this Fall. Stay tuned for more information!

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

Parents of children in Grade 2 (1st Confession & 1st Communion) or in Grade 7/8 (Confirmation) should visit our on-line registration for the Sacraments on the website. Dates for these celebrations are filling up - visit now to ensure you get your preferred date!

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE IN!

Our parish family photo directory, commemorating the first anniversary of the dedication of Holy Cross Church, has arrived. We will begin distributing them after Masses this weekend. They are also available from the parish office. Note that there is one directory per photograph in the book. Additional books may be available for a \$10 donation (we would like to distribute them to all those receiving one for having their picture taken first).

MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

We continue a series in this week's bulletin on Catholic teaching about marriage. The text is from the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (© 2008 COLF) which is co-sponsored by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Should couples really postpone sex until they get married? We should say what we mean and mean what we say with sex. And sex says marriage. Sexual intercourse is the body language which accompanies and expresses, again and again, the wedding vows. It is the language of total gift. If one or both persons are not yet ready to say “I give all that I am, including my body” and “I accept from you the gift of all that you are, including your body”, then they are not ready for sex. If a couple do not fear becoming a real gift to each other, they should not fear marriage.

Sex outside of marriage is contrary to God's commandments and the clear teachings of the Bible (Exodus 20.14; Deuteronomy 5.18; Matthew 15.19; Romans 13.9; Colossians 3.5; Ephesians 5.3) and of the Christian tradition. If freely and knowingly chosen, such an act is seriously sinful. The commandments are not arbitrary. They protect what is most precious: in this case, our bodies, our sexuality, our personality, our love, our family life.

Some people fear that if they do not engage in sexual activity before marriage they will be repressed, immature or inexperienced. But as the story of Adam and Eve tells us, there is no real getting of wisdom in choosing to sin. We actually end up confused, ashamed, addicted.

The Church knows the reality of temptation. She understands human weakness. That is why, in addition to proclaiming the truth of God's will for humanity, the Church also offers the mercy of God to those who fail. Christ offered forgiveness even to the worst sexual sinners (John 8.1-11). But he also called them to *sin no more*. The Gospel always calls us to more and better. It calls us to new life. *"Now the works of the flesh are plain: fornication, impurity, licentiousness ... these are not the way to the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control: these are what is permitted. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires"* (Galatians 5.19-24).

CO-OP MISSION APPEAL

The annual Co-op Mission Appeal will be preached in our parish at the Masses on August 4 & 5. We are happy to welcome **Father Raymond Peter** who will speak on behalf of the Archdiocese of Visakhapatnam, India. An offering envelope for the Mission Appeal will be included with next Sunday's bulletin and may be returned the following weekend. Cheques should be made payable to the **"Holy Cross Parish Account"**. The Co-op Mission Appeal welcomes missionaries from around the world to speak in parishes across the Diocese of Hamilton. The funds collected are pooled and divided among the Dioceses and Religious Communities who have asked for assistance in 2012. Your kind generosity to this appeal is appreciated by the poorest of the poor in our world.

CHRIST THE KING USED UNIFORM SALE

Christ the King is having a used uniform sale on Thursday, August 30th from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Income & Expenses • June 2012

Revenue

Regular Income	\$ 36,456.00
Building Fund Income	\$ 7,581.00
Other/Misc. Income	\$ 4,283.00
<i>Total Income</i>	<i>\$ 48,320.00</i>

Expenses

Church	Utilities	\$ 3,451.00
	Maintenance	\$ 1,052.00
	Sacristy	\$ 2,100.00
Rectory	Utilities	\$ 302.00
	Maintenance	\$ 2,834.00
Laity & Clergy Salaries		\$ 13,625.00
Administration		\$ 1,175.00
Retreats/Education		\$ 69.00
Parish Council & Committee		\$ 1,775.00
Other/Misc. Expenses		\$ 2,710.00
<i>Total Expenses</i>		<i>\$ 29,093.00</i>

In June we paid \$16,004.09 for our annual insurance premium for the Church and Residence. We also made interest payments of \$40,975.87 on our loans from the Diocese and RBC.

In the month of June we had 3,104 registered households, from that number 735 registered parishioners made donations through Sunday offering envelopes or pre-authorized debits. The bulk of the parish's income in June (59.15%) was donated by 23.5% of donations. In actual numbers this means that the bulk of our income was contributed by 173 donations of \$20 or more per week. Those giving under \$10 per week totalled 35.9% of all contributions. We thank all those who generously support our parish community and we encourage those who do not use offering envelopes regularly to consider doing so. All donations through offering envelopes or pre-authorized debits are given an annual receipt for income tax purposes. Parishioners who are currently giving, and are gainfully employed or have a steady income, may consider increasing the amount of their weekly donation. Even a small increase will have a big impact for the parish community.

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