

# 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

## 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](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

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## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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<b>SUNDAY, July 15</b> Amos 7:12-15 • Ephesians 1:3-14 • Mark 6:7-13	9:00 a.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners 11:00 a.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
<b>MONDAY, July 16</b> Isaiah 1:10-17 • Matthew 10:34 - 11:1	No Mass	Father Ilija Petkovic
<b>TUESDAY, July 17</b> Isaiah 7:1-9 • Matthew 11:20-24	9:00 a.m. - Daily Mass † Anna & Toma Markus & Marica Bosiljevac	Father Ivan Vuksic
<b>WEDNESDAY, July 18</b> Isaiah 10:5-7, 13-16 • Matthew 11:25-27	9:00 a.m. - Daily Mass † Deceased Members of the O'Flaherty Family	Our Parish Community
<b>THURSDAY, July 19</b> Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 • Matthew 11:28-30	9:00 a.m. - Daily Mass † Eugenio Albano Jr.	Father Todd Arsenault, L.C.
<b>FRIDAY, July 20</b> Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 • Matthew 12:1-8	9:00 a.m. - Daily Mass † In Honour of St. Joseph (I) Cait Curley (I) Ingrid Kastelic	Father John Gannon, L.C.
<b>SATURDAY, July 21</b> Micah 2:1-5 • Matthew 12:14-21	4:00 - 4:30 p.m. - Reconciliation	Father Thomas Murphy, L.C.
<b>SANCTUARY LAMP</b> This week the Sanctuary lamp is in memory of Danny Jackman.	5:00 p.m. - Sunday Vigil Mass † Bernie Smith † Rita Van Wouw † Gilda Cabral † Souls in Purgatory † Peter Weerdenburg † Lucrezia, Nicolino, Antonio, Licia, Oreste & Maria Purchio	

### WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • July 1	\$ 6,649.00
Total number of regular envelopes – 390	
Average envelope donation – \$15.50	
New Church Building Fund	\$ 250.00
<b>TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$ 6,899.00</b>

Thank you for your generosity to our parish community.

### DAILY MASS

We celebrate Mass daily at 9:00 a.m. (Tuesday through Friday). Join us ... it's a great grace-filled way to begin your day. In the table listed above you will find the Scripture references for the Mass of the day, as well as the intention for each Mass. We also include the priest or religious who is to be remembered in our prayer.

### SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Thanks to all who regularly support the parish financially through the use of offering envelopes or pre-authorized debits. Please don't forget to make your contributions to the parish during the summer months. If you are not currently using envelopes or PAD kindly contact the parish office and we'll set up either method for you. The parish is a federally registered charitable

organization and income tax receipts are given for all recorded donations. Giving financial support to the

parish enables our community to meet its financial obligations and pay its bills. There are some in our community who have been impacted by the economic situation of the present day. For those who are employed you may wish to reflect on the amount of your contribution to the parish. For example, if you are regularly giving \$5.00 per week, you may wish to consider giving \$7.50 or \$10 ... even that small increase would be a great help. People who are giving at other levels may also wish to reflect on their sacrificial offering for the parish and its works. Our parishioners have always generously supported the parish and our community is thankful for all the donations to our parish. May God, the source of all our gifts, bless you in your generosity.

### SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

Parents of children in Grade 2 (1<sup>st</sup> Confession & 1<sup>st</sup> 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!

### CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Congratulations to Darrin McGovern & Margaret Weglicka; Rafal Czarnecki & Mary Anne Maala who celebrated their weddings in our parish on Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>.

Please pray for the following couples preparing for marriage:

July 28<sup>th</sup> Robert Blazejewicz & Andrea Burton  
August 25<sup>th</sup> Andrew Attia & Tina Spatola  
September 1<sup>st</sup> Nick Johnstone & Mariangela Cavallini  
September 8<sup>th</sup> Nicholas DeForest & Adele Rinaldi  
October 6<sup>th</sup> Jayden Leung & Angelajane McLeod  
Nov 17<sup>th</sup> Bruno Araujo & Justine Mare  
Dec 29<sup>th</sup> Kyle Artem & Sinead Irving

### MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

*We begin 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.*

#### *Why does marriage matter so much to the Church?*

Because marriage is so important to human beings it is important to the Church. Jesus established the Church to be his intimate, his precious one, his bride (cf Ephesians 5.25). The Church in turn wants to share with the world what she has learnt about love. By loving well - loving as Jesus loved (John 15.12) - we can become more like God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, who give their total selves to each other without holding back and so make gifts of themselves. By failing in love, on the other hand, as when we sin sexually or against our marital commitment, we obscure the image of God in ourselves. We abuse the great gifts of our bodies and of our freedom. We can blind ourselves to the truth about love, life, our sexuality, our future. We hurt each other and ourselves. The good news is that in Jesus there is forgiveness and healing. In Jesus there is a new start and a new direction. He has the power to transform us into children of light and love, into persons who love as the Persons of the Trinity love.

The Church wants to help couples fully appreciate the significance of marriage. Between Christians marriage is a sacred reality, a *sacrament*, or effective sign of God's love and fidelity, which strengthens and divinizes the natural union of marriage. It is also the beginning of a family, the basic unit of society and the smallest instance of the Christian community (a *domestic church*). So as the *bulwark of truth* the Church seeks to proclaim the truth and meaning of married love as revealed in Christ. As an *expert in humanity* she seeks to support people in living out their married lives in happiness. As the *bride of Christ* she tries to be an image of that committed, faithful, fruitful love in action.

#### *Does the Church really believe that sex is good?*

Yes! From its opening pages the Bible affirms the

goodness of human sexuality. Male and female, we are created *in the image of God* and in our very bodily natures is inscribed our vocation *to join together and so become one flesh* and in turn *to be fruitful and multiply* (Gen 1-2).

Human sexuality as male and female is expressed in countless ways: in our bodies and personalities, our perceptions and responses, our gestures and activities, our love and affections. But the most intense expression of human sexuality is bodily union with one's spouse. The *marital act* expresses intimacy of mind and body, unity of two persons as they give and receive from each other, and a promise of fidelity to that gift. It has the power to say "love", to "make love". It also has the power to say "life" and to "make life". So new human beings come to be within the loving embrace of their parents and the security of that commitment. The Church encourages *good sex*, that is to say, sexual intimacy that unites a man and a woman as faithful lovers and as potential parents and which, for this reason, presupposes the life-long commitment of marriage. Within the context of marriage sex consummates and celebrates time and again the holiness of the marriage covenant.

#### *A Prayer for Married Couples*

Father of life and love,  
you created us in your image  
woman and man.

We rejoice and thank you for the gift of each other.  
Sustain us in your love  
and lead us to a deeper understanding of your love.

Jesus, we come before you,  
seeking your guidance and direction  
in our relationship.

In marriage you call and challenge us  
to a permanent, exclusive and sacred friendship.  
Be our strength and support, therefore,  
as we continue this journey together.

Holy Spirit, help us to strive towards a lasting,  
honest commitment united in love.  
Give us your strength to carry each other  
in times of darkness,  
your joy in times of happiness,  
and your gift of awe  
in the uniqueness and sacredness of each other.

May our love be a reflection and a sign  
of your love in the world.  
Amen.

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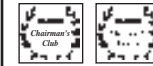
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