# 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. ~ 12:00 Noon

## PARISH STAFF

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Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

# PARISH MEMBERSHIP

SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 noon\*\* (\*\*12:00 noon September to June)

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)

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 - Visit the Diocesan Vocations website <u>www.HamiltonVocations.com</u>

**Catholic Women's League** Leslie Rutherford, President 905-877-1176 Michele Meitz, Co-President 416-505-4354

**Knights of Columbus** Francis St. Pierre, Grand Knight 905-873-6455 **Prayer Network** Chris 905-877-0462 Frans 905-877-6369

**Christ the King Secondary** 905-702-8838

**Holy Cross School** 905-877-4451 Saint Francis School 905-877-6928

Saint Brigid School 905-877-1779

Saint Catherine School 905-702-8001

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 1 Lent 1	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 25, 3.1-7; Romans 5.12-19; Matthew 4.1-11)	
MONDAY, March 2		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 3	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6-6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 55.10-11; Matthew 6.7-15) † Veronica Hart	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:30 p.m.		4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY, March 4	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Jonah 3.1-10; Luke 11.29-32) † Busija & Banda families	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:00 p.m.		Capital Campaign Volunteer Orientation - Cote Hall
THURSDAY, March 5	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Esther 14.1, 3-5, 12-14; Matthew 7.7-12) (I) Gilda Brown	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rhrsl - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, March 6	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Ezekiel 18.21-28; Matthew 5.20-26) † Richard Valere & Lina & Monty deMontbrun † Mike Graziani † Kata Babic † Marica Bukovcan	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY, March 7	4-4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Second Sunday of Lent Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: George & Nina Busuttil; Christine Wilcox; Antonine Landry; Ted Tannahill; John, Rosa, Lionilde, Manuel & Jose Chora; Ronald Andrade; Christopher Vito D'Souza.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttil.

#### From the Pastor's Desk

I have come to realize that we should be doing a better job of communicating all of the great things happening in the parish, so one of my Lenten resolutions is to write a brief blurb in the bulletin each week to keep everyone 'in the loop' on the happenings in our busy church! We launched into Lent this week with our 2 parish Ash Wednesday Masses, and I also had the privilege of celebrating an Ash Wednesday liturgy at each of our 4 elementary schools. It is always a solemn but special day as we participate in this uniquely Catholic tradition, marking ourselves with the sign of the cross in ashes to begin this penitential season. On Friday, we also began the Stations of the Cross devotion, and started all-day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. It was very edifying to see committed participation, and a great way to begin this 40 days in the desert with our Lord. Saturday was another busy day – I joined our Knights of Columbus in the morning to offer an opening prayer as they hosted the regional Free Throw basketball competition at CtK, and then joined our CWL in Mississauga at Queen of Apostles Retreat Centre for Mass as part of their retreat day with Dr. Anne Jamison. What a great way to begin our Lenten season! Until next week ..... – Fr. Dave



What is a capital campaign? - A capital campaign is an effort to raise money in a fairly short time (three to five years) to pay for a significant project or build up an endowment or heritage fund for future use. For a Catholic diocese or parish, this refers to gifts and pledges over and above a parishioner's regular giving to the Sunday collection. Parishioners who make pledges will have three years to fulfill their commitment.

When will it begin? - Campaign preparations are ongoing, and the active campaign will take place at Holy Cross beginning in April 2020. The campaign will conclude in June. Over the course of the campaign, every parishioner in every parish in the Diocese will be asked to make a sacrificial gift.

#### MARCH BREAK FAMILY SKATE

Plan to join us on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> for skating and hot chocolate, coffee and Timbits. We have rented a rink at MoldMasters from 2:00-3:00 p.m. and we would love to see you there! Tickets will be sold for \$5/family after all Masses on February 29/March 1 and March 7/8. For more information or to purchase tickets contact the parish office.

#### THANK YOU!

Thanks to the generosity of our Parish community, an abundance of clothing was donated to Regeneration in Brampton and the North Halton Women's Shelter. We sincerely thank all donors as well as the many volunteers, including the CWL and KofC, who helped to sort and distribute the donated items.

# ELECTRONICS RECYCLING FUNDRAISER FOR SACRE-COEUR PARISH

with Wondering what to do your old electronics? Sacré-Coeur parish has a drop-off point for electronic recycling, and get paid for each item received. The heavier, the better! Every pound collected earns them money. Televisions (all kinds), computers, printers, batteries (all kinds), DVD or CD players. photocopiers, telephones, stereos and amplifiers. Computer screens, cellular network equipment, electrical wires, computer accessories, ink cartridges, computer games and many more. For more information: Maryse Mallet Sinnis (<u>mmalletsinnis@gmail.com</u>). Need help moving a big TV? The Knights of Columbus are willing to help. Contact Jim Pickett at 289-834-0444 (voice or text) to arrange for pickup. **No appliances please.** 

#### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PRAYER GROUP

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Room. Doors will be open at 1:30 p.m. All are welcome. Contact Marion Vito at 905-873-6390 for more information.

#### **CWL NEWS**

On Saturday, March 7, our CWL council will be hosting the CWL Regional Meeting. Join us to meet and greet your sisters from other councils! As we are hosting this event, please consider donating homemade breakfast goodies, yogurt cups, or fruit to treat our guests. If you are able to help by donating food, call Leslie at 905-877-1176 to let her know what you will be contributing.

Do you have children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews graduating from high school this year? Graduating high school students who are members of Holy Cross Parish may qualify for the CWL/Knights of Columbus bursary of \$1000. Check out the church website for more information!

#### LIVE IT (OUT) YOUTH EVENT

Calling all youth! Come hang out with other pro-life youth, make friends, eat pizza and meet Jenna Sinke who attended our 2019 pro-life conference, Life Talks, with a few friends and went on to initiate events and activities in her school and community. Hear her inspiring story of the impact that it had. Wednesday, March 4 from 7-9:00 p.m. at St. Mathew Parish, 1150 Monks Passage, Oakville. No charge/refreshments are included. RSVP www.haltonalive.ca/youth

#### UPCOMING EVENTS FROM COMMUNITY UNITY

The Easter Basket Brigade will be taking place the weekend before Easter this year. For those of you who enjoy helping out please reserve April 3 and/or April 4 on your calendars. The Spring Yard Clean Up takes place in the morning of May 2<sup>nd</sup> and ends with a BBQ lunch. These are wonderful ways to help those in need by sharing our time and hard work with 22 other local churches while demonstrating the presence of Christ in our community. Hope to see you there.

