

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

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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)

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 - Visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

Catholic Women's League

Leslie Rutherford, President 905-877-1176 Michele Meitz, Co-President 416-505-4354

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 10 Lent 1	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Deuteronomy 26.4-10; Romans 10.8-13; Luke 4.1-13)	
MONDAY, March 11		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 12	2:00 p.m.		Prayer Shawl - Sacred Heart Room
	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)	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:30 p.m.		KofC General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY March 13	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Johan 3.1-10; Luke 11.29-32) (I) Andria & Geoff Freeman	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, March 14	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Esther 14.1, 3-5, 12-14; Matthew 7.7-12) † Tony & Manuela Silva	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 a.m. Choir - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, March 15	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Ezekiel 18.21-28; Matthew 5.20-26) † Bernhard Scholz † Silvano Guidotti & deceased family members † Andrea Lanzarotta † Leonard Quenneville	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY, March 16	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: Jack Ennett; Sebastian Aguiar & Valerie Aguiar; Jose Costa; Louis Resendes & Maria Moniz; Bob Smith; Katarina Zilavec & Coby Cooper. And for Special Intentions.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Alice Campbell.

COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection • February 24	\$ 8	3,101.00
Total number of regular envelopes — 377		
Average envelope donation — \$17.85		
Building Fund	\$	275.00
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$ 8	3,376.00

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & RECONCILIATION STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Friday Evenings

The Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Fridays. The Stations of the Cross provide an opportunity to reflect on the depth of God's self-sacrificing love, to join our sufferings to those of Jesus and to become more sensitive to the needs of those around us. This is a wonderful Lenten devotion for individuals and families.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)

During the penitential Season of Lent, I encourage you to make your peace with God in this graced encounter with the Father of all mercies. Pope Francis so beautifully reminds us: "Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that He is already there, waiting for us with open arms...How good it feels to come back to Him whenever we are lost! Let me say once more: God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking His mercy." There are opportunities for the sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesdays from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. In addition, a Parish Penance Celebration will take place on Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:00 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament.

LOOKING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Are you in Grade 4 or older? Would you like to get a front row seat at Mass? Become an Altar Server! Training for new servers will be scheduled soon - if you are interested, email the office with your contact information and the Mass that you most frequently attend, or speak with Fr. Dave after Mass. We would love to have you on our team!

FUNERAL SERVERS

We would like to invite any retired men to assist with being a server at funeral Masses. Please contact Knight Joe Mlodozenec at 905-873-7772 if you would like to assist.

CWL NEWS

This is just a quick reminder that the next CWL General Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19th at 7:30 p.m., following the 7:00 p.m. Mass., in Cote Hall.

The Health Challenge for March is "Take a break for stress relief," and the draw for those who participate in the monthly Health Challenge will take place at the meeting. The requested food bank donation for the meeting is cereals, cash or gift cards. We thank you for your on-going generosity.

This will be your last chance to pay your 2019 membership dues. If you are unable to attend the March General Council meeting, you can mail your membership dues to the CWL c/o Holy Cross Parish. Please do not put your membership dues in the weekly collection baskets.

And finally, as always, women of the Parish are welcome to join us at the meeting to see if they would like to become new members!

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

Please note I am working on the New Schedule running from April 29/30 to June 29/30. If you know of any weekend you are not available to serve, please email me at mariebridgetsimpson@gmail.com or call at 905-873-9480. There will be a sign up posted in the Narthex for Holy Week: Palm Sunday, April 13/14; Holy Thursday, April 18; Good Friday, April 19; Easter Vigil Saturday, April 20; and Easter Sunday, April 21. It will be posted the weekends of March 23/24 & 30/31. If you are not going to be around for these two weekends please call me at 905-873-9480 and I will sign you up. Thank you for your consideration of the above requests. Please take time to read your e-mail on a regular basis as I try to keep you informed. Marie Simpson, Ministry Co-ordinator.

GEORGETOWN BACH CHORALE

Georgetown Bach Chorale is pleased to present Handel's most challenging work, Dixit Dominus and JS Bach's motet, Jesu, Meine Freud. These will be presented at the Helson Gallery at 9 Church Street in Georgetown on Sunday, March 10th at 2:30 p.m. Please join us for these powerful and challenging works, as well the Harpsichord Concerto No 5 in F Minor, performed by Ronald Greidanus. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$10 for students, and will be available at the door, at our website www.georgetownbachchoral.com or by calling 905-873-9909.

UPCOMING LENTEN RETREATS

- St. Joseph, Patron of Canada Parish in Acton is holding a Lenten Retreat with Father Ian Duffy as the guest preacher. Monday, March 11 and Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m. Confession on Monday and Mass on Tuesday. Contact St. Joseph Parish for further information at 519-853-0784.
- St. Michael's Parish, 181 Sewell Road, Oakville is holding a Lenten Retreat with Archbishop Peter Hundt from Sunday, March 17 to Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m. See the poster in the Narthex for further details or contact St. Michael's Parish at 905-844-7971.



'One Heart, One Soul' campaign nears kickoff!

Months of preparations are leading us to the next step of the *One Heart, One Soul* Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton.

A public kickoff Mass will be held at noon on Monday, March 25, Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, and followed by a reception at the Cathedral.

The campaign's Pilot Wave parishes will be holding kickoffs for their own efforts in April. Three additional waves over the next two years will allow every Parish in the Diocese to participate. Most of the funds from the three-year campaign will go to Parish projects, with a special emphasis on the Parishes most in need. A number of diocesan ministries will benefit as well.

A series of Frequently Asked Questions about the campaign can be found on the campaign website – www.oneheartonesoul.ca.

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