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 email kcull@hamiltondiocese.com or follow on Twitter at @FrCull Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse Ms. Rachael de Souza, Youth Minister

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 - Contact Father Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

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

Knights of Columbus Jim McDonald, Grand Knight 905-873-2519 **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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 11 Lent 4	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (2 Chronicles 36.14-17a, 19-23; Ephesians 2.4-10; John 3.14-21)	
MONDAY, March 12		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 13	2:00 p.m.		Prayer Shawl Group - Sacred Heart
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12; John 5.1-16) ∛ Mary Stone	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm
	7:30 p.m.		KofC General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY March 14	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass Isaiah 49.8-15; John 5.16-30) ऄ Silvano Guidotti & Deceased Family Members	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - CANCELLED
	7:00 p.m.		RCIA - CANCELLED
	7:00 p.m.		Stations of the Cross
THURSDAY, March 15	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Exodus 32.7-14; John 5.18, 31-47) ℣ Eugenio Paiva, Amelia Leste & Luise Paiva	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, March 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22; John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30) [†] Lisa Quinn [†] Susan McCullen [†] Purificacion Corpuz Lukec [†] St. Joseph for the Sick & Dying	
	9:30 a.m.		Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY, March 17	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Fifth Sunday of Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Lucena Bumanlag; Bronislawa & Tadeusz Walczyk; Katarina Zilavec & Coby Cooper; Mary & Mirko Maric; Virginia Sousa & Maria Domingos; Deceased Members of the Beaton, Kilby & Nolan Families. Intentions of Brian & Glen Goncalves; Intentions of Fr. Ed Murphy.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of the deOliveira, Pavao & Sousa 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**, **March 21st at 7:00 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament**.

HOLY CROSS H.E.L.P.S.

The February HELPS collection was \$1,694.35 and we responded to 17 calls for food assistance. On behalf of those in need in our community, we pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for your generosity.

WEST SIDE STORY

The parish Social Committee is planning a trip to St. Jacob's Theatre on Thursday, May 10th to see *West Side Story* at 7:30 p.m. We will travel by coach bus, leaving the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and returning at approximately 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$70 and are available this weekend.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday Evenings and Friday Mornings of Lent: The Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays and at 9:30 a.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.

CHURCH BUILDING SECURITY UPGRADES

The new security system of key entry and securing the church has now taken effect outside the normal office hours. All parish ministry leaders who attended a training workshop will be using the new church protocols. For parish ministry leaders who were unable to attend a training workshop, another workshop will be offered shortly. All ministry leaders who will be issued the new key FOB <u>MUST</u> attend a training workshop. If you currently have a key to the church, please return the key to the parish office. Using an "old" key with the new security system, after March 4th, could activate a security alarm. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

On Sunday, June 10, 2018, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 p.m. The Mass is for couples married 25, 40, 50, 60 or 60 plus years in 2018. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). To register for the celebration please contact the office or register online at www.hamiltondiocese.com

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: 2018

The 40 Days for Life campaign of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach, is scheduled from **February 14th to March 25, 2018**. We pray at Proudfoot Trail and Dundas in Oakville, and offer help and healing to those affected by abortion. Please come to one of our group vigils on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Visit <u>www.40daysforlife.com/oakville</u> for more information or call Steve Germann at (905) 333-6472.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE MASS

On Tuesday, March 13th Monsignor Murray Kroetsch will offer a Mass in support of the 40 Days for Life campaign being held in Oakville during the Lenten season. The Mass will be celebrated at St. Dominic's Parish, 2415 Rebecca Street, Oakville, at 7:00 p.m. This is a great Lenten opportunity, allowing all to unite in prayer for the cause of life. Please join us in prayer for this worthy campaign.

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

As Catholics, it is important to remember our loved ones by praying for them at Holy Mass. On Friday mornings and Saturday evenings, Holy Mass is offered for a number of intentions. In order to simplify the announcement of the intentions and not have too long a list, the names of family members may be grouped together under the last name. As a parish we have an obligation to have Masses said in a timely manner. We are preparing to forward all our unannounced Masses from 2016 to the Diocese of Hamilton. The Diocese will pass these Masses along to parishes that don't have enough Masses.

CWL NEWS

Just a friendly reminder that the next CWL General Meeting will be held on Tueday, March 20th at 7:30 p.m. following the 7:00 p.m. Mass, and will take place in Cote Hall. After the business of the meeting has been concluded, we will be enjoying a movie entitled "A Case for Christ" based on a true story. Snacks will be provided! Please note that the meeting will be longer than usual that night due to the length of the movie and will likely run for three hours total. Also please be reminded that 2018 Membership fees are due, so if you have not had a chance to pay your fees, you may do so at the General Meeting. New members are always welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

➤ Knights of Columbus Online Membership now provides a Faster Way to Join the Knights - one of the most common objections to joining the Knights of Columbus is "I don't have time." Through Online Membership, this 'join process' now takes five minutes. Eligible men can join the Order online by going to www.kofc.org/joinup

2018 WEDDINGS

Couples planning to marry in 2018 should contact the parish office. Kindly note that we require one year's notice of marriage to allow time for marriage preparation and the completion of the necessary documents. This requirement also applies to couples from Georgetown who are planning marriage outside the Diocese of Hamilton.

