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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday 12:00 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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**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](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

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905-702-8001

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 12 <i>Lent 3</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish <i>(ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)</i>	
MONDAY, March 13		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 14	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Cathy Grady	
WEDNESDAY, March 15	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Andrea Lanzarotta	
THURSDAY, March 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Charles Irvin	
FRIDAY, March 17	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Lucena & Lauro Bumanlag † Onoria & Arthur Carlesimo (I) Carlos & Lourdes Paiva - 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (I) Corina Sibley                      (I) Michael Araman	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY, March 18	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - The Fourth Sunday of Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Steve Posavec & deceased family members; Maria Cabral & deceased family members; Maria Borges; Verginio deSousa & Louis Botelho; Armanda & Jose Tavares; Ivan Babic. Intentions of Jozef & Lucyna Kaczanowski.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners.

### From the Pastor's Desk

Lent is very much about God's mercy, and today we hear about the depths of Christ's mercy through his encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well. Jesus reaches out to the woman in her sin, offering instead the life-giving waters of eternal life. During Lent, Jesus is very much reaching out to us, offering these same life-giving waters. He seeks us out, desiring very much to draw us to himself so that we can encounter his infinite mercy, and be set free from our sins. Let's allow ourselves to be drawn to him, and let us renew our penitential efforts at this mid-point of Lent in order to be fully nourished by the living waters the Lord offers, which will quench our thirst for eternal life.

### Sunday Smile

Two cell phone towers got married. The wedding was okay, but the reception was excellent!

### Quote of the Week

"Look upon yourself as a tree planted beside the water, which bears its fruit in due season; the more it is shaken by the wind, the deeper it strikes its roots into the ground." *St. Margaret Mary Alacoque*

### Lenten Day of Reconciliation – Sat, March 25

Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> will be our Lenten Day of Reconciliation this year. Drop in anytime during the day from 10:00am – 4:30pm to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Other area priests will be here to assist with confessions throughout the day. Come and receive God's loving gift of mercy this Lent!

### Stations of the Cross – Fridays in Lent

We will be hosting Stations of the Cross each Friday evening in Lent at 7pm. Join us each week as a beautiful way of living out this Lenten penitential journey in our lives!

### Knights of Columbus Family Curling Day

The Knights of Columbus Pieta Council of Holy Cross is proud to present the first annual Holy Cross Family Curling Day. Join us at the Acton Curling Club on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. There are 2 time slots that you can sign up for, Draw # 1 - 10:30am-1:30pm or Draw # 2 – 2:00pm – 5:00pm. The cost is \$5 per person, \$20 per family (4 curlers). Space is limited and spots are filling quickly. No experience is necessary as we will have instructors there to teach you the basics. All equipment will be provided. Children under 12 years of age must wear a helmet and everyone is encouraged to wear head protection. You

must bring a separate clean pair of shoes. For more information or to sign up, please visit us after Mass at our information table.

### **Easter Basket Brigade - March 25th, 2023**

CUHH is working hard to provide Easter Baskets for those in need in our community. We need your help!

**1. Donations:** We are asking our Families in all of our congregations to share Easter with another family by providing funds to your Church Representative. Any amount of money is graciously accepted, to sponsor a whole family we ask for \$100 which will go toward purchasing **(2) \$50.00 Grocery Store Gift Store Cards on your behalf.** To sponsor a needy family place cash (in an envelope marked EBB) or cheque (made out to Community Unity Halton Hills) in the offertory box in the narthex after mass OR place envelopes through the Church mailbox located at the Parish office entrance.

**2. Volunteers to Assemble and Deliver (Drivers needed):** We are pleased to announce that we will be gathering as a large group with other Churches to assemble and deliver the Easter Baskets at **9:30 am on March 25th.** More details to follow. To sign up to be part of this inspiring ecumenical experience please contact Celia Stokoe at [cuhhholycross@gmail.com](mailto:cuhhholycross@gmail.com)

**3. Easter Cards:** We would like to get children involved by making Easter drawings to include with the gift card. Last year those drawings were really effective in making Easter special for those we helped. Please drop drawings and homemade cards into the box marked Easter Drawings in the narthex of the Church.

### **Rosary Repairs**

Do you have a broken rosary lying around that you're not sure what to do with? Well, there's good news! We have a parishioner that has the skills and tools to repair rosaries, and is more than happy to do so for you! There is a box in the narthex titled 'Rosary Repairs' – simply take an envelope from the box to insert the broken rosary, write your name and contact information on it and we will let you know when it's fixed and ready to pick up.

### **HCDSB Budget Survey**

The Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) is currently reviewing their budget for the 2023-2024 school year, and are looking for feedback from our parish community! Please take a few minutes to complete the 2023-2024 HCDSB Budget Consultation Survey: [hcdsb.info/Budget-Survey](http://hcdsb.info/Budget-Survey) The survey will remain open until **Wednesday, March 15, 2023.** For more information, please visit the HCDSB website at: [www.hcdsb.org](http://www.hcdsb.org)

### **Young Adults Night**

April 1st in Guelph - Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, April 1st at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

### **Online Grief Relief**

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Join us on Thursdays from 7 – 8:30 p.m. from April 13th - May 18th, 2023 to learn more about what you are feeling and how to gently move forward. You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton program will be offered online using Zoom. To register, go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and look for April 13<sup>th</sup> under Upcoming Events. To find out more, please call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

### **The 2023 Diocesan Wedding Anniversary**

Time is running out! Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Register now at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com), or contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

### **40 Days for Life Mass - St. Michael Parish, Oakville**

Join us for the 40 Days for Life Mass celebrated by Bishop Lobsinger on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. St. Michael Parish, 181 Sewell Drive, Oakville. Refreshments to follow.

### **Life Talks Conference**

Are you concerned about the expansion of Medical Aid in Dying in Canada? Want to learn how to better support someone making an end of life or pregnancy decision? Do you know the warning signs of human trafficking? Do you struggle to talk to your kids about tough life issues topics? Come learn at Halton Alive's [Life Talks Conference](http://www.haltionalive.ca/lifetalks): an in-person event featuring Canadian leaders, experts and advocates for life. Discover the education and inspiration you need to become a more effective ambassador for life by attending Life Talks. Register today! **Date:** March 25, 2023. **Cost:** \$40 Adults/\$20 Students (lunch & refreshments included). **Location:** St George's Church, 4691 Palladium Way, Burlington. **Details and registration:** [www.haltionalive.ca/lifetalks](http://www.haltionalive.ca/lifetalks) or call/text Elea 905-632-3232.

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