



# 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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**SUNDAY MASSES**  
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.  
& 12:00 noon\*\*  
(\*\*Please note Mass time changes)

**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)

### Catholic Women's League

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

### Knights of Columbus

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### Prayer Network

Katie 416-433-4324

### 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

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 13 <i>Lent 2</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 14		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 15	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Theresa Scholz	
	7:00 p.m.		CWL General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY, March 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Andrea Lanzarotta	
THURSDAY, March 17	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Lucena & Lauro Bumanlag	
FRIDAY, March 18	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Deceased Members of the Lynas & Ennett Families † Steve Posavec (I) the Attinger Family (I) Mary Blackmore	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross - church	
SATURDAY, March 19	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Third Sunday of Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Mary, Canad & Teresa Veneranda; Ivan Babic; Thomas McElroy; Francesco Vallecoccia; Joe Esteireiro; Frank & Maria Vieira; Deceased Members of the Pacheco & Madeira Families.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of James English.

### From the Pastor's Desk

This Second Sunday of Lent we hear in the gospel the account of the Transfiguration of the Lord. Jesus gives his closest disciples a privileged glimpse of his glory to help them more fully understand his Divine nature. God the Father's voice is heard, "This is my chosen Son, listen to him!" When we encounter Jesus in the Word, let's never take his voice for granted as we heed the Father's command to 'listen to him', and as we encounter the Lord in the Eucharist, let us be in continual awe of his Divine Glory in our midst as he manifests himself before us, a transfiguration at every Mass through the consecration of the bread and wine. As we journey through Lent, let us contemplate our Lord's glory in its fullness, keeping our eye on the true purpose of our Lenten penances – to grow closer to Christ our Saviour.

### Sunday Smile

On the way to church to make his first confession, a nervous seven-year-old asked his mom what to expect. "Confession is where you tell all the bad things you've

done to the priest," she told him. He looked relieved. "Good. I haven't done anything bad to the priest."

### Interfaith Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church in association with the Interfaith Council of Halton cordially invite believers of all faiths to join in an Interfaith Prayer for Peace in Ukraine on **Thu, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church, 300 River Oaks Blvd. East, Oakville, ON.** The service will also be streamed online at [www.sjucc.ca](http://www.sjucc.ca)

### Ukraine Humanitarian Donations

On behalf of Mr. Francis Doyle, Vice-Chancellor (Temporal Affairs), please be advised that Parishioners wishing to make a donation to the Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis can do so online through Development & Peace at [https://www.devp.org/en/wp\\_press\\_release/solidarity-prayer-s-and-support-for-ukraine-development-and-peace-joins-relief-efforts/](https://www.devp.org/en/wp_press_release/solidarity-prayer-s-and-support-for-ukraine-development-and-peace-joins-relief-efforts/) or by calling 1-888-664-3387. A reminder to please be careful of texts or e-mails seeking donations to support Ukraine. If anyone wishes to make a donation it is better to do so through

a reputable agency. Do not click on any links from unsolicited emails or texts. Make sure you are on the organization's secure website before sharing your financial information.

### **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 Day of Penance: Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament.**

### **Stations of the Cross - Friday Evenings at 7:00 p.m.**

The Stations of the Cross will be offered on Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m. during Lent. 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.

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Fridays in Lent**

This Lent, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 9:30 a.m. until 12 noon. It's a great opportunity to drop by to spend some quiet time with Our Lord. Sign-up sheets will be posted asking you to commit an hour of your time during the day to assure someone is always present during this time of Exposition.

### **2018-2019 Mass Intentions**

The number of Masses requested in this parish is much greater than the number of Masses celebrated here. Fortunately for us there are many other parishes where this is not the case. For this reason we are now sending to our diocesan Chancery Office all those Mass intentions requested in 2018 and 2019 which we have not yet been able to schedule for celebration here. These Mass intentions will be sent on to parishes and missions where they can be celebrated in the near future.

### **Attention CWL Members!**

Many of the Covid restrictions have finally lifted! On **Tuesday, March 15**, Holy Cross CWL council will be holding an "in-person" general meeting in Cote Hall at

7:30 p.m. following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Join us for our first general meeting in over two years!

Please remember to wear your mask at all times, and maintain social distancing. Unfortunately, **NO FOOD OR DRINK WILL BE PERMITTED**, due to the necessity of wearing masks at all times.

### **Easter Basket Brigade 2022**

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 who will purchase **(2) \$50.00 Gift Store Cards on your behalf.** Please 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. Volunteer to Deliver:** We are in need of people who are willing to deliver the Easter cards/drawings and grocery store gift cards to families by Holy Thursday. If you are interested please contact Celia Stokoe at [cchhaltonhills@gmail.com](mailto:cchhaltonhills@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.

### **HCDSB Budget Survey**

The Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) is currently in the process of reviewing their budget for the 2022-2023 school year, and we are looking for assistance from the community! Please take a few minutes to complete the 2022-2023 HCDSB Budget Consultation Survey: [www.hcdsb.info/HCDSBBudgetSurvey](http://www.hcdsb.info/HCDSBBudgetSurvey) The survey will remain open until **Wednesday, March 23, 2022**. For more information, please visit the HCDSB website at: [www.hcdsb.org](http://www.hcdsb.org)

### **Halton Alive**

**Spring Flower Initiative:** Join Halton Alive in touching the hearts of 6,200 residents of long term care and retirement homes through our 2022 Inspire Hope Campaign! Volunteers needed to make and deliver 6,200 homemade Spring flowers! Includes discussion starters for parents, teachers and youth ministers to spark conversation about the value of the vulnerable in our society. Contact Tawnya Stanus at 905-632-3232 or sign up at [www.haltonalive.ca/inspirehopeflowers](http://www.haltonalive.ca/inspirehopeflowers)

**Online Spring Auction:** Support life-affirming education! Participate in or donate to Halton Alive's online Spring Auction. Ideal for finding Easter or Spring decor or that special something for Mothers' and Fathers' Day! Dates: March 21-24. Details: [www.haltonalive.ca/springauction](http://www.haltonalive.ca/springauction) or call Tawnya at 905-632-3232.

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