



# 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  
Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary  
Mrs. Barb Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant  
Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance  
Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

**SUNDAY MASSES**  
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; & 12:00 Noon

**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** - Contact Father Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

## Catholic Women's League

Jane Santaluce, President  
(905) 877-7226

## Knights of Columbus

Leo Santaluce, Grand Knight  
(905) 877-7226

## Prayer Network

Gladys (905) 877-6389  
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## Christ the King Secondary

(905) 702-8838

## Holy Cross School

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## 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 15 <i>Lent 4</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parish (2 Chronicles 36.14-17a, 19-23; Ephesians 2.4-10; John 3.14-21)	
MONDAY, March 16		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - <i>CANCELLED</i>
TUESDAY, March 17	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) (I) Fred & Madeleine Marks	
WEDNESDAY, March 18	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 49.8-15; John 5.16-30) † Lauro & Lucena Bumanlag	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - <i>CANCELLED</i>
	7:00 p.m.		Social Committee - Sacred Heart Room
	7:30 p.m.		4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting - Cote Hall
THURSDAY, March 19 <i>St. Joseph, spouse of the BVM</i>	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Romans 4.13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a) † Paul Raytek	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, March 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22; John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30) † George Sebalj † John Ward † Deceased Members of the O'Flaherty Family	
	6:00 p.m.	Adoration followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.	
SATURDAY, March 21	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fifth Sunday of Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> George Coyle; Les & Edit Otto; Francesco Vallecoccia; Christina Medeiros; Thomas McElroy. Intentions of Maurice Rockon	

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Thomas McElroy.

### MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

Last week we had 4 wonderful celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation for 236 young people of the parish. I am particularly grateful to parish staff members Eileen Anderson, Barb Boulanger and Dino Arsenault for all their work behind the scenes in preparing such dignified celebrations. I also offer a heartfelt note of thanks to the administration and teachers of the parish schools for their spirit of cooperation as well as to the choirs, ushers and altar servers. It was a real team effort! I sincerely pray that the newly confirmed may draw upon the gifts of God the Holy Spirit as they deepen their relationship and friendship with Jesus Who leads us into the heart of the Father's everlasting love.

### 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 will be opportunities for the sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, and Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. In addition, a **Parish Penance Celebration will take place on Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament.**

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

During Lent, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Friday evenings from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. as well as the regularly scheduled Tuesdays from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS - FRIDAYS OF LENT

The Stations of the Cross will follow Adoration starting at 7:00 p.m. 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.

### THANK YOU

On behalf of the Social Committee we want to extend a huge thank you to all who literally donated time, talent and treasures to our Parish Chili and Talent Night! Without all of your kind donations of chili, baked goodies and wine that night would not have been possible. To all the volunteers, young and young at heart, you were fantastic! Our thanks as well to the Knights of Columbus for manning the grill, the hotdogs and providing bar service. It was a great night filled with food, fellowship and amazing talent. We hope you enjoyed yourselves and we look forward to seeing you again next year.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

The Catholic Women's League General Meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> following th 7:00 p.m. Mass. (Note: the meeting has been moved from March 17<sup>th</sup> to March 24<sup>th</sup> due to the March Break.) We will be collecting hot cereal, instant coffee, and cookies this month for the Georgetown Bread Basket. We will be having a Games Night at the meeting. Please bring a friend and join us!

### HOLY CROSS HELPS

Holy Cross HELPS would like to thank parishioners for their continued support and generosity. The February collection was \$2,156.00. In the past month we responded to 13 calls for food assistance. On behalf of those in need in our community, we pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for your generosity. The next HELPS collection will not take place until April 25/26.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - August 17 to 21

Please mark your calendars and join us for this year's VBS. Registration will take place in May. Children currently in Junior Kindergarten and up to grade 3 are welcome to join us for a morning filled with crafts, games, snacks, bible stories and songs. We need volunteers to help make our VBS a success. If you are interested in helping out please contact the parish office.

### A NOTE FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Families are kindly reminded to remove all wreaths on stands and other winter decorations from their lots by April 1<sup>st</sup> to facilitate the Spring clean-up. Any wreaths and decorations remaining after April 1<sup>st</sup> will be removed and discarded. For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the cemetery office at 905-522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

### Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

*Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>*

(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.

Sunday at 9:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 Noon

### Mass of Chrism

*Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>* at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. Bishop Crosby will bless the Oils to be used in the Sacraments for the coming year in the Diocese of Hamilton. All are welcome.

### Parish Penance Celebration

*Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>* at 7:00 p.m. Several priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession).

### Additional Reconciliation Times

*Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>* - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

*Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>* - 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

*Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>* - 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### HOLY THURSDAY, April 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:00 p.m. *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

### GOOD FRIDAY, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

11:00 a.m. *Solemn Celebration of the Passion*

3:00 p.m. *Solemn Celebration of the Passion*

7:00 p.m. *Prayer at the Cross*

### HOLY SATURDAY, April 4<sup>th</sup>

12:00 Noon *Blessing of Easter Foods (Cote Hall)*

8:00 p.m. *Solemn Easter Vigil*

### EASTER SUNDAY, April 5<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Note additional Mass for Easter morning.

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