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

Father David Walter, Pastor email: dwalter@hamiltondiocese.com Twitter: @HCParish Facebook: @HCParishGeorgetown

Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

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 - Visit the Diocesan Vocations website <u>www.HamiltonVocations.com</u>

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

Knights of Columbus Francis St. Pierre, Grand Knight 905-873-6455 **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

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Date	Time	Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 15 Lent 3	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Genesis 12.1-4; 2 Timothy 1.8b-10; Matthew 17.1-9)	
MONDAY, March 16		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 17	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6-6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass(Isaiah 1.10, 16-20, 27-28, 31; Matthew 23.1-12) (I) Kathy Moulton	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:30 p.m.		CWL General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY, March 18	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Jer. 18.18-20; Matt. 20.17-28) ず Christine Biggs	
	7:30 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, March 19	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Jeremiah 17.5-10; Luke 16.19-31) 합 Tony & Manuela Silva	
	7:30 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rhrsl - Cancelled
FRIDAY, March 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Gen. 37.3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28; Matt. 21.33-43, 45-46) [†] Silvano Guidotti & deceased family members [†] Gordon Lane [†] Barb Morrison [†] Gerty Hoey	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY, March 21	4-4:30 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> Dan Curtis; Joe Esteireiro; Thomas McElroy; Andrew MacKay Eugene Curley; Shannon Connolly; Deceased Members of the Pacheco & Madeira Families. Intentions of Maureen Murphy.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Thomas McElroy.

COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection • March 1	\$ 7,938.00
Total number of regular envelopes – 377	
Average envelope donation - \$17.82	
Building Fund	\$ 570.00
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$ 8,508.00

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

It was an inspiring week at Holy Cross as we welcomed Fr. David Perrin to lead our parish Lenten mission. His evening talks on Sunday through Wednesday evenings offered a lot of food for thought, and were a great opportunity for us to take some time out for an experience of retreat. Thank you Fr. David for joining us! Tuesday was a 'marathon of mercy' as 9 other priests joined me to descend upon St. Catherine and St. Francis schools to hear their confessions. It's always a wonderful experience to share this sacrament of God's mercy with our young people! Our Youth Group met Friday night, participating in the Stations of the Cross followed by an evening of learning, fun, and some appropriate 'Lenten' snacks. We're excited to also be planning a retreat in the spring for our Youth Group - details to follow! As we enter March Break, be assured of my prayers for a time of relaxation for our students, teachers and school staff. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone Sunday afternoon for our parish Family Skate! Until next week... - Fr. Dave

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FAQ

What are the parishes' responsibilities in the campaign? - Every parish will first assess its needs and determine the projects to which the funds raised for the parish will be directed. Each pastor appoints key volunteers who will work with the Diocese and the Steier Group to form a campaign team. That parish team helps with campaign events and make personal visits to other parishioners to answer questions about the campaign, the projects selected and to encourage a gift. Priests also will be asked to help with visits of some prospective donors.

How will the funds that are raised be split up? - This is a parish-focused campaign, and 75 percent of the funds raised by each parish will stay with that parish for the goals and projects of its choosing. An additional 10 percent will be directed toward assisting parishes most in need of support. The remaining 15 percent will be dedicated to shared diocesan ministries including ministry to hospitals, prisons, university campus ministry and outreach to migrant workers.

LENTEN MISSION - St. Joseph, Acton

Sunday, March 15, Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph, Patron of Canada Parish in Acton. Father Wayne Lobsinger will be the presenter. For more information contact St. Joseph Parish at 905-853-0784.

THE 10:30 a.m. CHOIR IS SEEKING A PIANIST

After many dedicated years of leading the 10:30 a.m. Choir, Susan Baus will be stepping down from that role following Easter. We thank Susan for her years of service! At the same time, we are looking for someone to step-up to fill the void. If you play the piano (organ, or any instrument for that matter) we need your help! Please talk to Father by calling the office, or sending him an email at <u>dwalter@hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

CWL NEWS

Our next general meeting is on March 17 following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Join us as Father Dave fills us in on all the Parish ministries available at Holy Cross! Find out what is available, and all the ways we can help our fellow parishioners! Once again we will be hosting our annual *Baby Shower* at our April meeting on April 21st. Reminder: As always, our meetings are *"Fragrance Free,"* as some of our members are sensitive to scents from cologne, perfume, body sprays, etc.

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!

The Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus will each be offering (1) \$1,000 bursary for a graduating high school student who will be entering postsecondary education in the Fall of 2020-2021 school year. The Catholic Women's League will support a female candidate from Holy Cross Parish and the Knights of Columbus will support a male candidate either from Holy Cross Parish or from Sacre Coeur Parish. Students interested in applying for this bursary can obtain information about the process from the Holy Cross Parish website. Hard copies are also available a the church office. The final deadline for submission is **March 31, 2020.**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2020 - Save the Dates! Once again, Vacation Bible School will be happening here at Holy Cross for one week of mornings in August: Monday, August 10th to Friday, August 14th. All events are held at the church. This year's theme is **Rocky Railroad: Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through**! Registrations for campers heading into SK through Grade 4 will open shortly. The cost is \$50 for the first camper in a family and includes the music CD. The additional campers in a family are \$40. We welcome energetic volunteers! Please contact Patti at <u>birk@cogeco.ca</u>

EASTER BASKET BRIGADE

This Year Holy Cross is responsible for **200 toothpaste boxes**, **200 cans of red kidney beans** and **donations** for the purchase of **15 hams** and **fresh produce**. Please bring your donations to the church by **Sunday**, **March 29th.** Many thanks to those of you who have already volunteered to help with the **Easter Basket Brigade**. We are still in need of people (kids too!) to help pack/sort and drive on **Sat. April. 4th** at St. Andrews on Mountainview at 8:30 am. Please sign up today.

The Spring Yard Clean Up is May 2nd this year. Please put this date in your calendar. To see last year's EBB video and for more information log in to the CUHH website at <u>communityunityhaltonhills.com</u>

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

Please note I am working on the New Schedule running from April 18/19 to June 27/28. If you know of any weekend you are not available to serve, please email me at <u>mariebridgetsimpson@gmail.com</u> or call 905-873-9480. There will be a sign up posted in the Narthex for Holy Week: Palm Sunday, April 4/5; Holy Thursday, April 9; Good Friday, April 10; Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 11; and Easter Sunday, April 12. It will be posted the weekends of March 14/15 and March 21/22. 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 to the above requests. Please take time to read your email on a regular basis as I do try to keep you informed. *Marie Simpson, Ministries Coordinator*.

MARCH BREAK FAMILY SKATE

REMINDER - Sunday, March 15th is the March Break Family Skate at MoldMasters MoldMasters Arena from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Skating and hot chocolate, coffee and Timbits. See you there!

