

Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

Office hours

Monday 12 Noon \sim 4:00 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. \sim 4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. \sim 12 Noon

Parish Staff

Father David Wynen, Pastor Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Robert Ramage, Maintenance

Mrs. Barbara Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant

Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

(Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. (October 14 - April 28)

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Tuesday - 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 David Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Burial at Holy Redeemer Cemetery - Contact Catholic Cemeteries of Hamilton (905) 877-8500.

Catholic Women's League Mary Jo Jans, President (905) 873-4151

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Eucharist	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 17 5 th Sunday of Lent	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Ezekiel 37.12-14; Romans 8.8-11; John 11.1-45)	
MONDAY, March 18		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9 am Choir Rehearsal - All Members
TUESDAY, March 19 Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of the Universal Church, Principal Patron of Canada	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a) ∜ Helen Sullivan	
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass 🕆 Marcy Pignatell	
	7:30 p.m.		C.W.L. General Meeting (Cote Hall)
WEDNESDAY, March 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Dan 3.13-20, 24, 49-50, 91-95; Jn 8.31-42) † Barbara Bursis and Mom & Dad	
	7:00 p.m.		5 pm Choir Rehearsal (St. Cecilia)
	7:30 p.m.		K of C 4 th Degree Meeting (Cote Hall)
THURSDAY, March 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Genesis 17.3-9; John 8.51-59) † Marge Willis	
	7:00 p.m.		11 am Choir Rehearsal (St. Cecilia)
FRIDAY, March 22	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13; John 10.31-42) 합 Jeff Dunlop 합 Vincenzo Bracco (I) Barb Egan	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY March 23	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Mary, Canad & Theresa Veneranda; George Sebalj; Maria Carreiro, Verginio Sousa And for Special Intentions.	

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Joseph Azzuolo.

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • March 3	\$ 8,153.00
Total number of regular envelopes — 433	
Average envelope donation — \$17.33	
New Church Building Fund	\$ 890.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTIONS	\$ 9,043.00

DIOCESAN MASS OF CHRISM

Each year, in Holy Week, Bishop Crosby celebrates the *Mass of Chrism* during which he consecrates the Oil of Chrism and blesses the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Catechumens. Sacred Chrism and the Oils are used in the celebration of the Sacraments in the Diocese for the coming year. All are welcome to attend this Mass which will be celebrated at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton on Monday, March 25th at 7:00 p.m.

PASCHAL FAST

Catholics are encouraged to observe the *Paschal Fast* on Good Friday and Holy Saturday. On Good Friday all Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat. The law of fast binds those between the ages of 14 - 60 (in good health). Fasting may mean taking less food at a meal, or skipping a meal, or fasting from food during the day. We fast and abstain to share in the passion and suffering of the Lord. On Holy Saturday we may wish to continue our observance of the Paschal Fast as well as maintaining a spirit of prayerful quiet and recollection in preparation for the great Feast of Easter.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us on Friday at 7:00 p.m. for Stations of the Cross.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Sunday, March 24th - Passion (Palm) Sunday Masses: Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 7:00 p.m.

Monday, March 25th - *Mass of Chrism* 7:00 p.m. - Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton

Tuesday, March 26th - Day of Penance 10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon; 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.; 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Priests available to celebrate Confession.

Thursday, March 28th - Holy Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Confessions 7:30 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, March 29th - Good Friday 11:00 a.m. - Celebration with Children 3:00 p.m. - Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, March 30th - Holy Saturday 12 Noon - Blessing of Easter Food (Parish Hall) 8:00 p.m. - Solemn Easter Vigil

Sunday, March 31st - Easter Sunday

Masses: 7:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
(Please note there will be no 7:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.)

DAY OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

Please note that there will be priests available on **Tuesday, March 26**th from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) with you. There will also be one final opportunity on Holy Thursday, March 28th from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Join us for this wonderful celebration of the mercy and forgiveness of God in this Sacrament.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Next Sunday is *Palm Sunday* and Masses will be celebrated at the usual times - Saturday 5 p.m.; Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. and Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. (You may want to consider the Sunday 7 p.m. to avoid large crowds on Sunday morning). As usual, palm branches may be taken as you enter the church. They will be blessed at the beginning of Mass.

THE EASTER VIGIL

The Easter Vigil is described as the *mother of all vigils*. It is one of the most beautiful liturgies of the Church. The Easter Vigil is a bit longer than a regular Sunday Mass - it unfolds the story of our salvation in Scripture, song, and ritual. The Vigil is the first Eucharist of the Easter Season. You may wish to consider attending the Vigil this year - especially if you have never attended before. Many of those who have become Catholics in previous years also attend the Vigil as a celebration of the "anniversary" of their own journey into the Catholic Church. The entire schedule for Holy Week and Easter is included with this bulletin - please plan to join us for these wonderful celebrations!

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

On March 19, 2013 members of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada will gather at St. Peter's Cathedral in Peterborough to celebrate the installation of the new Congregational Leadership Team. Bishop Douglas Crosby OMI will represent the Diocese of Hamilton at this celebration. It is hoped that the coming together of the Hamilton, London, Peterborough and Pembroke Congregations will lead to a graced renewal of energy and zeal for our mission and ministry as Sisters of St. Joseph. We ask you to pray for the women who have accepted positions of leadership in the new congregation and for all Sisters of St. Joseph as they work to meet the needs of the church in the diocese, across Canada and globally.

YEAR OF: THE FAITH WE CELEBRATE:

Diocesan Conference on the Sacraments

All are invited to a Diocesan Conference on the Sacraments which will take place at the Hamilton Convention Centre on **Saturday**, **April 13**, **2013 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.** Our keynote speaker, Father Bill Burke, the Director of the National Liturgical Office, will lead us in reflections on our experience of the rituals, signs and symbols used in the sacraments. Workshops on the sacraments and sacramental elements of the Christian life will be offered. See *The Faith We Celebrate* page at www.hamiltondiocese.com for registration information. Deadline for registrations is March 22, 2013.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Please join Father Mark Sullivan and Pere Jonas for a Holy Hour in honour of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 7th from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. There will be readings from the Diary of Saint Faustina, Scripture, Music, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.

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