

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
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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 - Contact Father Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 18 Lent 5	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Jeremiah 31.31-34; Hebrews 5.7-9; John 12.20-33)	
MONDAY, March 19		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 20	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Numbers 21.49; John 8.21-30) (I) Margaret O'Flaherty	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm
	7:30 p.m.		CWL General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY March 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass Isaiah (Daniel 3.13-20,24,49-50,91-95; John 8.31-42) † Francesco Vallecoccia	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:00 p.m.		RCIA - CANCELLED
	7:00 p.m.	Parish Penance Celebration	
THURSDAY, March 22	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Genesis 17.3-9; John 8.51-59)	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, March 23	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13; John 10.31-42) † George Sebalj † Holy Souls † Vincenzo Testa † Tom Duffy	
	9:30 a.m.		Stations of the Cross
	7:30 p.m.		SR. Crosspoint - Cote Hall
SATURDAY, March 24	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Jose Tavares & Deolinda Santos; Joe Esteireiro; Mary, Canad & Teresa Veneranda; Stephen Harrison; Theresa Marie Goodland; Thomas McElroy; Eduardo Costa Fevereiro.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Jim & Lois McDougall.
	6:15 p.m.		JR. Crosspoint - Cote Hall

PARISH PENANCE CELEBRATION

Our Parish Penance Celebration will take place on Wednesday, March $21^{\rm st}$ at 7:00 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament. Our regular schedule of Reconciliation times are on Tuesdays from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday Evenings and Friday Mornings of Lent: The Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays

and at 9:30 a.m. on Fridays. 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.

WEST SIDE STORY

The parish Social Committee is planning a trip to St. Jacob's Theatre on Thursday, May $10^{\rm th}$ to see *West Side*

Story at 7:30 p.m. We will travel by coach bus, leaving the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and returning at approximately 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$70 and are available this weekend.

CHURCH BUILDING SECURITY UPGRADES

The new security system of key entry and securing the church has now taken effect outside the normal office hours. All parish ministry leaders who attended a training workshop will be using the new church protocols. For parish ministry leaders who were unable to attend a training workshop, another workshop will be offered shortly. All ministry leaders who will be issued the new key FOB <u>MUST</u> attend a training workshop. If you currently have a key to the church, please return the key to the parish office. Using an "old" key with the new security system, after March 4th, could activate a security alarm. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

CROSSPOINT (Grades 9 - 12)

March 23rd from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Cote Hall - "How to win at Love" - light snacks and hot chocolate included! One of the most interesting conversations of love you'll ever have - see you there!!

JR. CROSSPOINT (Grades 6 - 8)

March 24th from 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Cote Hall - "The Great Trilogy" - Many wonderful things come in threes - including the most important story and historical event of all times. Join us as we dig into it! Light snacks and hot chocolate included!

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

On Sunday, June 10, 2018, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 p.m. The Mass is for couples married 25, 40, 50, 60 or 60 plus years in 2018. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). To register for the celebration please contact the parish office or register online at www.hamiltondiocese.com

CATHOLIC TRUSTEE DISTRIBUTION SURVEY

School board trustee elections take place every four years in Ontario at the same time as the municipal elections. The 2018 Trustee Elections will take place on October 22, 2018. Trustees of the Halton Catholic District School Board are seeking stakeholder input on the current distribution of Catholic school trustees across Halton Region. As a member of the parish community, you are invited to share your thoughts in an online survey at http://bit.ly/TrusteeRepresentationSurvey This survey

will remain open until 11:59 p.m. on Monday, March 19, 2018. For more information, visit: http://bit.ly/HCDSBNewsRelease-TrusteeDistributionSurvey

FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

- ▶ Families are reminded that all winter decorations are to be removed from graves by April 1st to assist with the Spring clean-up. Any wreaths on stands or other winter decorations left on graves after this date will be removed and discarded. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.
- ► The Spring Memorial Mass will take place at **Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington** on Saturday, April 7 at 11:00 am. The principal celebrant will be Fr. Con O'Mahony. All are welcome!

DIVINE MERCY

All are welcome to join a Holy Hour in honour of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 8th starting at 2:15 p.m. Gathering songs and the Holy Hour starting at 2:30 p.m. Sacre Coeur Church, 39 Guelph St., Georgetown. The Novena to Divine Mercy begins on Good Friday and can be accessed at EWTN.com The Divine Mercy Novena.

CWL NEWS

Just a friendly reminder that the next CWL General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 20th at 7:30 p.m. following the 7:00 p.m. Mass, and will take place in Cote Hall. After the business of the meeting has been concluded, we will be enjoying a movie entitled "A Case for Christ" based on a true story. Snacks will be provided! Please note that the meeting will be longer than usual that night due to the length of the movie and will likely run for three hours total. Also please be reminded that 2018 Membership fees are due, so if you have not had a chance to pay your fees, you may do so at the General Meeting. New members are always welcome.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: 2018

The 40 Days for Life campaign of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach, is scheduled from **February 14th to March 25, 2018**. We pray at Proudfoot Trail and Dundas in Oakville, and offer help and healing to those affected by abortion. Please come to one of our group vigils on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Visit www.40daysforlife.com/oakville for more information or call Steve Germann at (905) 333-6472.

GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

Father Cull and our hospital visitors make regular visits to the sick in the Georgetown Hospital. Kindly be sure to identify yourself as a Catholic so that your name can be given to us when we visit.

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