

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

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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 - Visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

Catholic Women's League

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

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 24 Lent 3	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Exodus 3.1-8a, 13-15; 1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12; Luke 13.1-9)	
MONDAY, March 25 Annunciation of the Lord		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 26	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Daniel 3.25, 34-43; Matthew 18.21-35)	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:30 p.m.		KofC Executive Meeting - Sac. Hrt.
WEDNESDAY March 27	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Deuteronomy 4.1, 5-9; Matthew 5.17-19) † Holy Souls	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, March 28	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Jeremiah 7.23-28; Luke 11.14-23) (I) John Chantrel	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 a.m. Choir - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, March 29	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Hosea 14.1-9; Mark 12.28b-34)	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY, March 30	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fourth Sunday of Lent Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Canad, Mary & Theresa Veneranda; Manuel & Angelina Medeiros; Larry Hunt; Eliodoro Oliveira; Tom Ellard	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Carlos Almeida.

COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection • March 10	\$ 7,700.00
Total number of regular envelopes — 352 Average envelope donation — \$19.39	
Building Fund	\$ 2,296.00
Regular Collection • March Pre-Auth.	\$ 7,073.75
Total number of regular envelopes — 88	
Average envelope donation — \$16.08	
Building Fund	\$ 1,965.00
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$ 19,034.75

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Thank you to all of our young people who have come forward to become new Altar Servers, and of course a big thank you to all of our veterans who continue to serve at Mass! If there is anyone else who would still like to join our Altar Server team, there will be training on the following dates:

Saturday, April 6 at 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (Training for New Servers) Saturday, April 13 at 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (For all Servers - New and Veteran)

If you are unable to attend, talk to Fr. Dave to arrange a time to go over the details that will be discussed.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - SAVE THE DATES!

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this year's VBS "Roar! Life is Wild, God is good!" the fun and learning happens August 12th - 16th. Registration will be capped at 50 campers between grades SK (heading into SK) and up to grade 3 (heading into grade 3). VBS runs half days, Monday to Friday, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00

noon. Campers will enjoy crafts, games, snacks, bible stories, songs and new friendships! Please watch the bulletin for upcoming registration information.

HOLY CROSS HELPS

Holy Cross HELPS would like to thank parishioners for their continued support and generosity. The February collection was \$1174.25 and we responded to 17 calls for food assistance. On behalf of those in need in our community, we pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for your generosity. Our next collection date is March 30/31.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & RECONCILIATION STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Friday Evenings

The Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.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.

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. 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 Penance Celebration will take place on Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:00 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament.

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

Please note I am working on the New Schedule running from April 29/30 to June 29/30. If you know of any weekend you are not available to serve, please email me at mariebridgetsimpson@gmail.com or call at 905-873-9480. There will be a sign up posted in the Narthex for Holy Week: Palm Sunday, April 13/14; Holy Thursday, April 18; Good Friday, April 19; Easter Vigil Saturday, April 20; and Easter Sunday, April 21. It will be posted the weekends of March 23/24 & 30/31. 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 of the above requests. Please take time to read your e-mail on a regular basis as I try to keep you informed. Marie Simpson, Ministry Co-ordinator.

PARISH PUB NIGHT

The Parish Social Committee invite you to join your fellow parishioners for a great night out at our next Parish Pub Night on Friday, April 26th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in Cote Hall. Tickets are \$12.50/person (ages 19+) and include sausage-on-a-bun, potato salad and snacks. Come

and enjoy live music, 50/50 draw, door prizes and more. Tickets will be available in the Narthex following each Mass starting March 24 and must be purchased in advance – (sorry, no tickets will be sold at the door)

GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

Father Dave 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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

March 6 - April 14 (8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.) Save Lives! Join the peaceful, prayer vigil. Choose an hour and pray as a family this Lent! Near the Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital. Vigil site: Proudfoot Trail & Dundas Street, Oakville. Register at: www.40daysforlife.com/oakville or email: 40daysforlife.oakville@gmail.com

C.Y.O. CAMP BREBEUF

Online registration is open for day camp and overnight camp. For program details and dates please visit the website: www.campbrebeuf.ca or call 519-856-4671.

NOTE FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

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



It's KICKOFF time!

The preparation phase of the One Heart, One Soul Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton is moving into the active phase! A campaign kickoff Mass will be held at noon on Monday, March 25, Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI. The Pilot Wave Parishes will be holding kickoffs for their own efforts in April. Three additional waves over the next two years will allow every Parish in the Diocese to participate. Most of the funds from the three-year campaign will go to Parish projects, with a special emphasis on the Parishes most in need. A number of diocesan ministries will benefit as well. A series of Frequently Asked Questions about the campaign can be found on the campaign website www.oneheartonesoul.ca

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