

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 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.

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

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday - Friday 8:00 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

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	TIME/EVENT/INTENTION/(LOCATION)	PLEASE PRAY FOR
SUNDAY, March 25 Jeremiah 31:31-34 • Hebrews 5:7-9 • John 12:20-33	9:00 a.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners 11:00 a.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners 7:00 p.m. Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, March 26 • Annunciation of the Lord Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10d • Hebrews 10:4-10 • Luke 1:26-38	No Mass 6:30 p.m (9 a.m.) Choir rehearsal (St. Cecilia Room)	Father Joseph Pezhathumkal, S.A.C.
TUESDAY, March 27 Numbers 21:4-9 • John 8:21-30	8:00 a.m Daily Mass (I) Maria Gabriela Mendez 7:00 p.m Parish Lenten Mission (Cote Hall)	Father Jonas Ahouansou
WEDNESDAY, March 28 Daniel 3:13-20, 24, 49-50, 91-95 • John 8:31-42	8:00 a.m Daily Mass (I) The McElroy Children 8:30 a.m Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Church) 7:00 p.m Parish Holy Hour & Benediction (Church) 7:00 p.m (5:00 p.m.) Choir rehearsal (St. Cecilia Room) 7:30 p.m Atrium Catechist Meeting - Atrium 7:30 p.m K of C Executive Meeting - St. Joseph Room	Salesians of Don Bosco, S.D.B.
THURSDAY, March 29 Genesis 17:3-9 • John 8:51-59	8:00 a.m Daily Mass 합 Joan Sovran 7:00 p.m (11 a.m.) Choir rehearsal (St. Cecilia Room)	Father Robert Bulbrook
FRIDAY, March 30 Jeremiah 20:7, 10-13 • John 10:31-42	8:00 a.m Daily Mass す Sally Hand す Mary Kletchko す Steven Hawes 7:00 p.m Stations of the Cross (Church)	Father Peter Ciallella, C.S.
SATURDAY, March 24 Ezekiel 37:21-28 • John 11:45-57	4:00 - 4:30 p.m Reconciliation	Father Gary Schlack
SANCTUARY LAMP This week the Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of the deceased members of the Lescak Family.	5:00 p.m Sunday Vigil Mass † Joseph Azzuolo † Mary Margaret Last † Frank Gillis & Deceased Family Members † Mary & Canad & Teresa Veneranda (I) Bertha Finnigan - 90 th Birthday	

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • March 11 & Pre-Auth. \$ 11,164.00 Total number of regular envelopes — 477 Average envelope donation — \$15.51

New Church Building Fund	\$ 5,134.00
Flowers for Easter	\$ 1,832.00

TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION \$ 18,130.00

Thank you for your generosity to our parish community.

DAILY MASS

Join us for Daily Mass during Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

PARISH HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

Join us on *Wednesday, March 28* at 7:00 p.m. for our monthly Holy Hour with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

LENTEN PARISH RETREAT SESSIONS

Pleas join us for our final *Lenten Retreat Session* this Tuesday, March 27 at 7:00 p.m. in Cote Hall. *World without End: The Last Things* (by Fr. Robert Barron)

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

The Society of Jesus (Jesuits) announces that Henk van Meijel is to be ordained to the Order of Deacons on Friday, April 27th, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in Our Lady of Lourdes Church (520 Sherbourne Street, Toronto). All are welcome to attend. Henk was a parishioner at Holy Cross for several years prior to joining the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in 2006. The Society has a long history in Canada. They are an international religious order of ordained and lay men who work in a diversity of ministries. We wish Henk well and assure him of our prayerful support as he prepares for Ordination and service as a Deacon. A deacon's role is primarily to preach the word and perform works of charity. Deacons also assist the priest at Holy Mass and in the celebration of other Sacraments.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Sunday, April 1st, 2012

(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.

Sunday at 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 7:00 p.m.

Mass of Chrism

Monday, April 2nd, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral 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.

Day of Penance & Reconciliation

Tuesday, April 3rd, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). The Blessed Sacrament will also be exposed during this time for prayer and reparation.

HOLY THURSDAY, April 5th, 2012

7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, April 6th, 2012

11:00 a.m. Passion celebration for families with

young children

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

7:30 p.m. Prayer at the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY, April 7th, 2012

12 Noon Blessing of Easter Foods (Cote Hall)

7:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY, April 8th, 2012

<u>7:30 a.m.</u>; 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. & <u>12:30 p.m.</u> Note additional Masses for Easter morning.

[No Sunday 7:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.]

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Today, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, we celebrate the third and final *Rite of Scrutiny* for those who are preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. The third scrutiny is based on the passage from John's Gospel about the *raising of Lazarus from the dead*. In this scrutiny we pray with those to be baptized for the gift of faith in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Jesus is "the Resurrection and the Life." It is into this mystery that our catechumens will be immersed in the waters of Baptism at the coming *Easter Vigil*. Please pray for them and for all the baptized that we may grow in the life of the Risen Lord.

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.

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.

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. This year we have the privilege of baptizing two adults and welcoming several Christians into the full communion of the Catholic 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!

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2012? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, September 9, 2012 at the Cathedral of Christ the King at 2:00 p.m. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest.) Please contact the parish office for information on how to register for the celebration.

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