



# 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

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**SUNDAY MASSES**  
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.  
& 12:00 noon\*\*  
(\*\*Please note Mass time changes)

**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](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

### Catholic Women's League

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

### Knights of Columbus

Michael Simpson, Grand Knight  
647-206-4752  
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### Prayer Network

Katie 416-433-4324

### 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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 27 <i>Lent 4</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish <i>(ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)</i>	
MONDAY, March 28		No Mass	
TUESDAY, March 29	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Founders Mass † Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus	
WEDNESDAY, March 30	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Theresa Smellie	
THURSDAY, March 31	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Edward Estevan	
FRIDAY, April 1	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † John Petsche † Marilyn Major † Joan Hundt (I) Personal Intentions	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross - church	
SATURDAY, April 2	<b>10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Parish Day of Penance</b> (with several priests available throughout the day)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fifth Sunday of Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Domenico Tucci; Joe Tavares; Klaus George Hentschel; Bento Borges; Jose & Ilda DeMelo; Dorothy Cummings; Christina Tersigni.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of the living and deceased members of our families and friends.

### From the Pastor's Desk

One of the most famous passages in the gospel comes up this weekend – Jesus' parable of the 'Prodigal Son'. It might be more apt though to name it the parable of the 'Merciful Father'. The son took his inheritance, squandered all his money, and is reduced to crawling back to his father in shame. Without the son having to say a word, the father sees his son in the distance, runs to him with open arms, and welcomes him back home. Of course, this is an image of how our Heavenly Father wants to welcome us home as well. No sin we have committed is too great for his mercy – we just need to return home to Him and we can be confident that all is forgiven! As Pope Francis has said, God never tires of showing mercy. It is too often us who tire of seeking his mercy. Let's run back into the Father's loving arms of mercy this Lent. **Next Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10am – 4:30pm is our Day of Penance.** There will be priests available in the church all day to hear your confession. Just drop by anytime during that window to experience God's mercy and forgiveness!

### Sunday Smile

Three men went to their seats at a football game and there were a couple of nuns sitting ahead of them. The men wanted to drink beer and swear at the referees and not be scolded by nuns, so they decided to badger the nuns and get them to move. One guy said, "I think I'm going to move to Utah, there are only 100 Catholics living there..." The second said, "I want to go to Montana, there are only 50 Catholics there..." The third guy said, "I want to go to Idaho, there are only 25 Catholics living there..." One of the nuns turned around and said, "Why don't you go to hell. There aren't any Catholics there!"

### Ukraine Humanitarian Donations

On behalf of Mr. Francis Doyle, Vice-Chancellor (Temporal Affairs), please be advised that Parishioners wishing to make a donation to the Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis can do so online through Development & Peace at [https://www.devp.org/en/wp\\_press\\_release/solidarity-prayer-s-and-support-for-ukraine-development-and-peace-joins-relief-efforts/](https://www.devp.org/en/wp_press_release/solidarity-prayer-s-and-support-for-ukraine-development-and-peace-joins-relief-efforts/) or by calling 1-888-664-3387. A reminder to please be careful of texts or e-mails seeking donations to support Ukraine. If anyone wishes to make a donation it is better to do so through a reputable agency. Do not click on any links from unsolicited

emails or texts. Make sure you are on the organization's secure website before sharing your financial information.

### **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. Pope Francis so beautifully reminds us: "Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that He is already there, waiting for us with open arms...How good it feels to come back to Him whenever we are lost! Let me say once more: God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking His mercy." 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 Day of Penance: Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament.**

### **Stations of the Cross - Friday Evenings at 7:00 p.m.**

The Stations of the Cross will be offered on Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m. during Lent. 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.

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Fridays in Lent**

This Lent, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 9:30 a.m. until 12 noon. It's a great opportunity to drop by to spend some quiet time with Our Lord. Sign-up sheets will be posted asking you to commit an hour of your time during the day to assure someone is always present during this time of Exposition.

### **Eramosa Physiotherapy - Pelvic Health Webinar**

**Join us by Zoom on Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

Are you interested in learning about treatment options to overcome you or a loved one's pelvic health issues? Join EPA's knowledgeable Registered Physiotherapist, Meryl for a webinar to discuss Pelvic Health causes and available treatment options for issues such as Pelvic Pain, female incontinence, Pregnancy & Pelvic Health, and more. The following topics will be covered by Meryl during the webinar: introduce Pelvic Health Physiotherapy including what it is, why it is important, and how it can help; learn where the pelvic floor muscles are and how they help you function throughout your day, how to engage these muscles, and what to expect during your first appointment; understanding the Signs and Symptoms of common but not normal conditions such as incontinence, prolapse, and pelvic pain; understanding your treatment options. In this webinar, you will also be provided with

the opportunity to ask questions. Join the Zoom Meeting <https://eramosaphysio.zoom.us/j/82233473635> Meeting ID: 822 3347 3635 or follow the link on the parish website.

### **Morning & Lunch Hour Supervisors Needed**

Morning & Lunch Hour Supervisors are needed for this school year. This is a paid position with duties that include supervising students while they eat lunch in their classrooms, and during outdoor recess time. Interested applicants must have completed a Criminal Reference Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening that has been dated within the last 6 months.

**St. Catherine of Alexandria School 8:50 - 9:20 a.m. and 12:05 - 1:05 p.m. daily** - contact Mr. Monaco ([MonacoV@hcdsb.org](mailto:MonacoV@hcdsb.org)) or Ms. Foster ([FosterJ2@hcdsb.org](mailto:FosterJ2@hcdsb.org))

**St. Francis of Assisi School 11:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m. daily** - contact Mr. Mark Witter at [WitterM@hcdsb.org](mailto:WitterM@hcdsb.org) or call 905-877-6928.

### **Easter Basket Brigade 2022**

CUHH is working hard to provide Easter Baskets for those in need in our community. We need your help!

**1. Donations:** We are asking our Families in all of our congregations to share Easter with another family by providing funds to your Church Representative who will purchase **(2) \$50.00 Gift Store Cards on your behalf.** Please place cash (in an envelope marked EBB) or cheque (made out to Community Unity Halton Hills) in the offertory box in the narthex after mass OR place envelopes through the Church mailbox located at the Parish office entrance.

**2. Volunteer to Deliver:** We are in need of people who are willing to deliver the Easter cards/drawings and grocery store gift cards to families by Holy Thursday. If you are interested please contact Celia Stokoe at [cuhhhaltonhills@gmail.com](mailto:cuhhhaltonhills@gmail.com)

**3. Easter Cards:** We would like to get children involved by making Easter drawings to include with the gift card. Last year those drawings were really effective in making Easter special for those we helped. Please drop drawings and homemade cards into the box marked Easter Drawings in the narthex of the Church.

### **Halton Alive**

**Spring Flower Initiative:** Join Halton Alive in touching the hearts of 6,200 residents of long term care and retirement homes through our 2022 Inspire Hope Campaign! Volunteers needed to make and deliver 6,200 homemade Spring flowers! Includes discussion starters for parents, teachers and youth ministers to spark conversation about the value of the vulnerable in our society. Contact Tawnya Stanus at 905-632-3232 or sign up at [www.haltonalive.ca/inspirehopeflowers](http://www.haltonalive.ca/inspirehopeflowers)

### **Have You Moved Recently?**

If you have moved or changed telephone numbers in the past few months, kindly let us know at the parish office so we can update our records.

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