

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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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 31 Lent 4	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Joshua 5.9a, 10-12; 2 Corinthians 5.17-21; Luke 15.1-3, 11-32)	
MONDAY, April 1		No Mass	
TUESDAY, April 2	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12; John 5.1-16) † Fred Mlodozenec	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:30 p.m.		4 th Degree Meeting - Cote Hall
	7:30 p.m.		CWL Executive Meeting - Sac. Hrt.
WEDNESDAY April 3	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 49.8-15; John 5.16-30) ऐ Richard Valere	
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Penance Celebration - several priests available for individual Confession	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, April 4	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Exodus 32.7-14; John 5.18, 31-47) ऐ Elaine Toole	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 a.m. Choir - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, April 5	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22; John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30)	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY, April 6	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fifth Sunday of Lent Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: George & Nina Busuttil; Mary Maric; William Praught; Richard Bowskill; Olga King; Maurice Neville; Dec. Members of the Pannella Family.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Cynthia Tobin.

COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection • March 17 \$8,343.00

Total number of regular envelopes — 413

Average envelope donation — \$16.37

Building Fund \$590.00

TOTAL COLLECTIONS \$8,933.00

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) and 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.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

There is a promise of marriage between Helga Napolitano and Amos Bassi (the first publication).

COFFEE SUNDAY

Today's Coffee Sunday is being hosted by the Catholic Women's League. Please join us after all weekend Masses in Cote Hall for refreshments and fellowship. There will also be religious articles for sale as well as the monthly Blood Pressure Clinic.

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.

TAIZÉ PRAYER AT THE CROSS

Good Friday, April 19th at 7:00 p.m. Taizé Prayer is a distinctive style of meditative prayer developed by an ecumenical community in rural France. This quiet, moving reflective prayer combines elements of traditional Liturgy of the Hours with elements of contemplative meditation. A typical Taizé prayer service incorporates periods of silence with meditative readings from Scripture, prayers of praise and intercession. The use of simple, contemporary short songs or chants, repeated over and over, create a meditative environment and express basic realities of faith which can be easily grasped by the mind and the heart. The result is to gradually move prayer from the head to the heart. On Good Friday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. Holy Cross will be hosting Taizé Prayer at the Cross - all are welcome to join us to sill our hearts and souls.

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 and must be purchased in advance – (sorry, no tickets will be sold at the door)

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2019 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

JOIN THE BENNETT BOARD!

Bennett Village is seeking volunteers for its Board of Directors and committees. This is an opportunity for those interested in serving their community to put their experience to great use. We are seeking people with the skills, time and desire to take on leadership roles in the following areas: long term care operations and funding, marketing, fundraising, IT systems, and project management. Please contact Rosslyn Dowell, Board Chair at 613-295-9996 by May 15, 2019.

COMMUNITY UNITY EASTER BASKET BRIGADE

Joining together with the other Christian churches in town, we will be participating this year in a food drive to give 200 Georgetown families in need a boost this Easter. Thank you to the response so far! In addition to asking for volunteers to help with collecting/sorting/delivering the Easter baskets, Holy Cross has been asked to donate the following: *Instant boxes of Oatmeal; Peanut Butter; Cans of Chick Peas*; as well as *cash donations to buy hams*. We will be collecting these items on Palm Sunday, April 14. Thank you for your generosity!

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.

GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

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