

# 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 p.m.
Tuesday - Thursday 9 a.m. ~ 4 p.m.
Friday 9 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.

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

Catholic Women's League Zenaida van Klink, President (905) 877-0439

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#### NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	LITURGY	Intention	PLEASE PRAY FOR
<b>SUNDAY, March 6</b> Deuteronomy 11:18, 26-28, 32 • Romans 3:21-25, 28 • Matthew 7:21-27	9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, March 7 Tobit 1:1ad, 2a, 3, 17; 2:1-8 • Mark 12:1-12	No Mass	No Mass	Father Vernon Cullaton
<b>TUESDAY, March 8</b> Tobit 2:9-14; 3:1 • Mark 12:13-17	7:00 p.m. Mass	🕆 Maria Estevam	Father Ron Cote
ASH WEDNESDAY WEDNESDAY, March 9 Joel 2:12-18 • 2 Corinthians 5:20 - 6:2 • Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18	8:00 a.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	Soeurs du Sacré- Coeur de Jesus, S.S.C.J.
	7:00 p.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
THURSDAY, March 10 Deuteronomy 30:15-20 • Luke 9:22-25	8:00 a.m. Mass	ੀ Alberto Barsallo	Monsignor William O'Brien
FRIDAY, March 11 Isaiah 58:1-9a • Matthew 9:14-15	8:00 a.m. Mass	បិ Edit Otto បិ Tadeusz Walczyk បិ Linda McGrath	Father Leo Burns, CSB
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY, March 12 Isaiah 58:9b-14 • Luke 5:27-32	12:00 noon	FAGUNDES/PIMENTEL Wedding	Father Michael Sullivan
	2:00 p.m.	MYERS / McCARTAN Wedding	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
	5:00 p.m.	† Christine Wilcox † John Vasiga † Elianna Chiasson † Ron Mathé & Dora & Wesle Folts (I) Terry & Irma Lutkin	

#### PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, March 7

6:30 p.m. Youth Choir Practice - Adult members only

TUESDAY, March 8

7:45 p.m. Prayer Group - St. Cecilia Room

WEDNESDAY, March 9

7:00 p.m. 5 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Cancelled

THURSDAY, March 10

7:00 p.m. 11 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word has resumed at the 9 a.m. Mass. The children will be dismissed at the beginning of Mass and will rejoin their parents at the time of the preparation of the gifts. Thanks to the dedicated catechists who make this program possible in our parish. Thanks also to the parents and children for their participation.

### VISITS TO THE CHURCH

Anyone is welcome to visit the church for prayer through the day while the office is open. Simply come to the Parish Office entrance and Eileen will let you into the church.

#### **DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2011? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 15, 2011 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 refer to the poster in the front foyer of the church for information on how to register for the celebration.

#### **NEW BISHOP OF CORNER BROOK & LABRADOR**

Congratulations to Bishop Peter Hundt who was appointed the new Bishop of Corner Brook and Labrador, Newfoundland by Pope Benedict XVI on March 1, 2011. He succeeds Bishop Crosby who was named our Bishop last September. A date for installation has not yet been announced. We assure Bishop Hundt of our prayerful good wishes.

#### MARCH BREAK FAMILY FUN SKATE

Please plan to join the Holy Cross Social Committee on Monday, March 14 for skating and hot chocolate. Due to the great feedback from previous family skates we have once again rented a rink at Mold Masters from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and would love to see you there! Tickets will be sold for \$5 per family this weekend all Masses. For information or to purchase tickets contact Jane at 905-877-7226 or Marie at 905-877-6928 or 905-877-9480.

#### **COUNTDOWN TO LENT**

Lent begins with *Ash Wednesday* on March 9<sup>th</sup>. This 40 day period of prayer, fasting and almsgiving is an annual opportunity for us to turn to the Lord who is our hope and strength.

# Ash Wednesday, March 9th, 2011

8:00 a.m. Mass with the Imposition of Ashes
9:30 a.m. Word Service with Ashes (St. Brigid)
11:00 a.m. Word Service with Ashes (St. Catherine)
1:00 p.m. Word Service with Ashes (Holy Cross)
2:00 p.m. Word Service with Ashes (St. Francis)
7:00 p.m. Mass with the Imposition of Ashes

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of *universal* fasting and abstinence from meat for Catholics. The rules for abstaining from meat are simple. All Catholics, 14 years of age and older, may not eat meat on Ash Wednesday or Good Friday as a sign of penance. One may choose to abstain from meat on Fridays throughout the year or perform some act of charity in place of abstinence.

Fasting from food applies to Catholics, in good health, who are between the ages of 18 and 59 years of age. A fast may simply mean eating less food at the times of day we normally eat.

Christian fasting obtains its full meaning when we deprive ourselves of food in order to be more open for prayer, to share more in the suffering of those who are starving and to save money to give to the poor. Fasting among Christians is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our faith.

#### Reconciliation

"The light is on for you!" The lights in our Reconciliation Chapel are on for you every Wednesday in Lent from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. beginning Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be celebrated each Saturday from 4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. and our Day of Penance on Tuesday, April 19 from 1:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

#### Stations of the Cross

Join us Fridays in Lent at 7:00 p.m., beginning Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, for the Stations. (Except Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>).

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Weekly time for *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* resumes on Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> (8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. during Lent). This is an excellent opportunity to spend some time ... 30 minutes or an hour ... in quiet prayer before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

#### ShareLent

ShareLent is the annual appeal of the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. The funds collected in this annual campaign support the justice work of the Canadian Bishops in the developing world. Bishop Crosby has asked all parishes to support ShareLent this year. Further information about this organization can be found at <a href="https://www.devp.org">www.devp.org</a>

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

The Catholic Women's League will be holding their annual *Birthright Baby Shower* on Tuesday, March 15. Please join your sisters at the General Meeting following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. There will be a guest speaker from Birthright Milton and refreshments will be served. New unwrapped baby items (sleepers, sweater sets, diapers, crib sheets, blankets, etc.) would be appreciated. Cash donations are also greatly appreciated. If you cannot attend but would like to make a donation please contact Zenaida at 905-877-0439 or Toni at 905-877-2929. Donations will be forwarded to Birthright Milton and St. Martin's Manor. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

#### "BUILDING FUND" CONTRIBUTIONS

Now that the building is built, it does not mean that we'll retire the "building fund" just yet. Contributions to the building fund will be used to help pay down the mortgage. All contributions to this fund are not subject to the annual Diocesan Cathedraticum (11%) payable on all other donations to the parish. Your continued support of the building fund is greatly appreciated.

#### FIRST EUCHARIST RETREATS

Retreats for children enrolled in Grade 2 in our Catholic elementary schools have begun. Thanks to Barb Boulanger and her team of volunteers for co-ordinating these excellent experiences for the children. First Eucharist celebrations will take place in the month of May in addition to our regularly scheduled Sunday Masses. The commitment celebrations will take place at the Masses on April 2 & 3.

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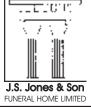
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