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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 K. Cull, Pastor
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Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance
Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

SUNDAY MASSES
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 Noon

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 - Contact Father Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Women's League

Jane Santaluce, President
(905) 877-7226

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Leo Santaluce, Grand Knight
(905) 877-7226

Holy Cross Youth Group

hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com

Prayer Network

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(905) 702-8001

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, March 6 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, March 7		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
TUESDAY, March 8	11:00 a.m.	Small Faith Group Initiative - Session #2	Cote Hall
	2:00 p.m.		Prayer Shawl Group - Sacred Heart Rm
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Family Mass (Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12; John 5.1-16) (I) Catholic Education	
	7:30 p.m.		KofC General Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY March 9	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 49.8-15; John 5.16-30) † Amy Fagan	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
	7:00 p.m.	Small Faith Group Initiative - Session #2	Cote Hall
THURSDAY, March 10	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Exodus 32.7-14; John 5.18, 31-47) (I) Mary Beth Brown	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, March 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22; John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30) † Deceased Members of the Rondilla Family † Maria Testa, Sante Testa & Nozzareno Alfonzi † Ed Tellier	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY, March 12	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - The Fifth Sunday in Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Maria Carmo Medeiros; Bill Myers; Christine Wilcox; Olga Motta; John Rowe; Bill Finnigan & Joseph Gyrovary.	

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George and Nina Busuttill.

SMALL FAITH GROUP INITIATIVE

Over the past several months, the Pastoral Advisory Council has been focussing on adult faith formation and small faith groups. The Season of Lent offers an ideal time to initiate small faith group sharing on a parish wide basis by focussing on the Sunday readings. The sharing sessions take place on Tuesday mornings at 11:00 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. The second sharing session will take place on March 8/9. The final session will be March 22/23.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - FRIDAYS OF LENT

The Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m. 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. 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 Penance Celebration will take place on Wednesday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m. with a number of priests available to celebrate the sacrament.**

MINISTRIES SIGN UP FOR HOLY WEEK

The sign up for Ministers of the Altar for Holy Week is posted in the Narthex. Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors please take the time to sign up for one or more of the Masses. There is also a separate sign up sheet for Ushers. Any questions please contact Marie at mariebridgetsimpson@gmail.com or 905-873-9480. Please read your email on a regular basis. Thank you once again for your commitment to your ministry.

PARISH PUB NIGHT

The parish social committee is organizing a pub night on Saturday, March 19th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Tickets are \$10.00 per person (ages 19+) and may be purchased after any of the Holy Masses on March 5/6 and March 12/13. Only 100 tickets will be sold. Old time fiddle and celtic music will be provided by our very own Dino Arsenault and his sons Joseph and Pierre, known as Dino-P-Joe Sideroad Trio. Members of the Knights of Columbus will barbecue sausage. Beer, wine, pop and water will be available for purchase. Plan to join other parishioners for an enjoyable evening of song and fellowship.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2016? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 29th, 2016** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 p.m. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Contact the parish office for information or to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com

CANCER ASSISTANCE SERVICES of Halton Hills

Cancer Assistance Services of Halton Hills will begin 'walking the town' mid-March handing out door hangers. Our canvassers will be out as of April 1st! Please "GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE"! All funds raised for CASHh remain in Halton Hills and help to provide free of charge practical services to the residents of Halton Hills who are living with a cancer diagnosis!

YEAR OF MERCY

Please join us as Sacre Coeur Parish in Georgetown hosts the Halton Deanery for Adoration and Mass on Friday, April 1st in celebration of the *Year of Mercy*. Adoration at 6:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m. with Bishop Daniel Miehm as celebrant. The evening will be in English and all are welcome.

MAKING A CHANGE IN THE YEAR OF MERCY

A day of renewal and reflection for Young Adults (ages 18-35). Guest Speaker: Michael Chiasson, Access 52 Ministries. Sunday, April 24, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with dinner included. McNally Hall, Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. \$5.00 offering suggested. To register or for more information contact: Christina Mines at cmines@hamiltondioces.com or 905-528-7988, ext 2239.

YOUTH GROUP EASTER FUNDRAISER

Celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and help support members of the Holy Cross Youth Ministry as they sell handmade Easter cards following all Masses on the weekends of March 12/13 and March 19/20 (while quantities last). Cards will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

YOUTH EVENTS

It's that time of year . . . Time to reserve your spot for **Steubenville!** Space is limited and reservations are on a first-come-first-serve basis. Please let us know by the end of February if you are interested in attending. Here are some brief details - Who: youth currently in grades 8-12; What: it is an opportunity to learn more about your faith, draw closer to our Eucharistic Lord and experience praise, worship and fellowship with other youth, like never before; Where: the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT) in Oshawa, ON; When: Friday July 22 - Sunday July 24, 2016; How much: The cost this year is \$300*, which includes admission to the conference, all meals, accommodations and transportation to and from the conference. We are asking for a non-refundable \$50 deposit to hold your place. This fee will be subtracted from the total cost. If you wish to reserve a spot, please include the \$50 deposit per youth in an envelope clearly marked "Youth Group - Steubenville Deposit." Please be sure to include the names(s) of the youth. Cheques can be made out to Holy Cross Parish. Envelopes can be dropped off at the office, at any youth event, or in the Sunday collection basket. Please do not hesitate to contact us at hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com if you have any further inquiries. (*If the only thing keeping you from attending is the cost please send us an email or speak to us in person at one of our events. We can discuss payment plans, etc.).

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