



# 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 K. Cull, Pastor  
Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary  
Mrs. Barb Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant  
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](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

## Catholic Women's League

Jane Santaluce, President  
(905) 877-7226

## Knights of Columbus

Leo Santaluce, Grand Knight  
(905) 877-7226

## Prayer Network

Gladys (905) 877-6389  
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## Holy Cross School

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## Saint Francis School

(905) 877-6928

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(905) 877-1779

## Saint Catherine School

(905) 702-8001

## PALM SUNDAY

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION, March 29	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Mark 11.1-10; Isaiah 50.4-7; Philippians 2.6-11; Mark 14.1-15.47)	
MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK, March 30		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - All Members
TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, March 31	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 49.1-6; John 13.21-33, 36-38) † Mark & Amanda Clough	
	7:30 p.m.	Reconciliation (until 8:30 p.m.)	
WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, April 1	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Isaiah 50.4-9a; Matthew 26.14-26) † Barbara Jeffrey	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:00 p.m.	Reconciliation (until 8:00 p.m.)	
HOLY THURSDAY, April 2	7:00 p.m.	Mass of the Lord's Supper	
		Adoration until 10:00 p.m.	
GOOD FRIDAY, April 3	11:00 a.m.	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord	
	3:00 p.m.	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord	
	7:00 p.m.	Prayer at the Cross	
HOLY SATURDAY, April 4	12 Noon		Blessing of Easter Food
	8:00 p.m.	Solemn Easter Vigil	
This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Alice Campbell.			

### MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

*Outing to the Drayton Festival Theatre for The Music Man.* On Wednesday August 5<sup>th</sup> plan to join fellow parishioners for a wonderful afternoon of musical entertainment at the Drayton Theatre for a performance of *The Music Man*. The matinee performance begins at 2:00 p.m. and will be preceded by a hot lunch provided by Willing Hands Catering in Drayton. The total cost of the outing per person for a group of 30 or more will be \$60.00 and includes theatre ticket, lunch and school bus transportation. Since I would like to order tickets by the end of March, you are asked to register for this event by either signing the sheet in the narthex or contacting the parish office.

### EASTER FLORAL TRIBUTES

During the Easter Season, it is a fitting gesture to dedicate floral tributes in memory of deceased relatives and friends. These tributes express our faith in Christ's promise of eternal life and help to beautify the church. Forms are available in the narthex for all who wish to make a donation. Envelope users may simply use the

special envelope provided in their box. The names of all the deceased will be placed near the altar and your loved ones will be remembered at all the Masses during the Octave of Easter.

### CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Are you ready to experience God's deep love for you? Explore how we live out our faith at home, at work and at play. Visit [www.cursillohamilton.org](http://www.cursillohamilton.org) or for more information please speak to Fr. Cull or contact Catherine at 905-873-1565. Men's Weekend - Thursday evening April 23<sup>rd</sup> until April 26<sup>th</sup>. Women's Weekend - Thursday evening April 30<sup>th</sup> until May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Please join us for a Holy Hour in honour of the Divine Mercy of Jesus on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at Sacre Coeur Church, 39 Guelph Street. Holy Hour will commence at 1:45 p.m. sharp and will end at 2:45 p.m. after the Chaplet is sung. If you wish to sing or read please contact Chris at 905-877-0462.

## THE SACRED PASCAL TRIDUUM

### HOLY THURSDAY

On Holy Thursday, we enter into the three holiest days of the Church year with the **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper**. In his Gospel, John does not mention the institution of the Eucharist. Instead he, and he alone, tells how Jesus washed the feet of His disciples and said "I have set you an example that you also should do as I have done to you." The ceremony of the washing of the feet, following the Gospel, teaches us that the Eucharist must mean giving up our lives "in memory of Him."

The Holy Oils, blessed by Bishop Crosby at the Cathedral Basilica earlier in the week, are given a special place in the Holy Thursday Mass. The Oils of Catechumens, Chrism and the Sick are used during the celebration of the sacraments, in which Christ continues to pour out His love in the new and everlasting covenant that He established with us on the eve of His death.

Following Holy Communion, the Blessed Sacrament is taken in procession throughout the church and will repose in the Sacred Heart room. You are invited to remain for Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

### GOOD FRIDAY

**Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.**

On Holy Thursday, Jesus said "This is My body which will be given up for you." On Good Friday, He DID it. The simple, austere **Celebration of the Passion of the Lord** calls us to watch and pray in hope of the resurrection.

The Proclamation of the Passion is always from John who portrays Christ as the conqueror of sin and death. The General Intercessions, especially solemn today, are for the world which Jesus redeemed. The Cross is carried in solemn procession and we adore it as the symbol of Christ's victory.

Although the Mass is not celebrated, we do receive Holy Communion (from the hosts consecrated on Holy Thursday). Holy Communion is the pledge of our union with Christ as we daily die to sin and rise to new life. Sacraments are not celebrated (except in danger of death) until the Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection. The holy water and votive candle are removed from the church.

You are invited to return to the church at 7:00 p.m. for **Prayer at the Cross**.

### HOLY SATURDAY

It is the tradition of many cultures to ask for God's blessing on the festive foods to be used at Easter. The **Blessing of Easter Food** will take place on Holy Saturday at 12:00 noon in Cote Hall. There will be blessings of meat, bread, dairy food, eggs, cakes and pastries, other foods and wine. Please gather to pray for God's blessing upon these foods and upon us.

On Holy Saturday evening, we arrive to take up our vigil at the tomb. The sun is nearly setting as we assemble for the **Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**. In gathering, we recall that before Christ's death and resurrection the world was in darkness: "From the sixth hour, darkness covered the whole earth."

The Easter Fire is lit. The procession with the Easter Candle into the darkened church and the singing of the Exultet, are not only the entrance into our Mass but a vivid reminder that the light of Christ has come into the world. All we say, do and sing repeats the theme: "Christ is risen!" We celebrate our Passover with Christ: from darkness to light, from death to new life! By the baptismal symbols of light and water and by the Eucharistic sacrifice we celebrate, we proclaim the Mystery of our Faith.

### HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

#### Mass of Chrism

*Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>* at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica 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.

#### Additional Reconciliation Times

*Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>* - 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

*Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>* - 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### **HOLY THURSDAY, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

7:00 p.m. *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

#### **GOOD FRIDAY, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

11:00 a.m. *Solemn Celebration of the Passion*

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#### **HOLY SATURDAY, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

12:00 Noon *Blessing of Easter Foods (Cote Hall)*

8:00 p.m. *Solemn Easter Vigil*

#### **EASTER SUNDAY, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Note additional Mass for Easter morning.

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