



# 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  
email [kcull@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:kcull@hamiltondiocese.com)  
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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.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

### Catholic Women's League

Jane Santaluca, President  
(905) 877-7226

### Knights of Columbus

Jim McDonald, Grand Knight  
(905) 873-2519

### Holy Cross Youth Group

[hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com](mailto:hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com)

### Prayer Network

Chris (905) 877-0462  
Frans (905) 877-6369

### 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 EASTER

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, April 30, <i>Easter 4</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Acts 2.14a, 36b-41; 1 Peter 2.20b-25; John 10.1-10)	
MONDAY, May 8		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
TUESDAY, May 9	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Acts 11.19-26; John 10.22-30) ‡ Robert O'Gorman	
	7:30 p.m.		Liturgy Committee Mtg. - Sacred Heart
	7:30 p.m.		K of C Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY May 10	<b><u>10:00 a.m.</u></b> <b><u>at Church</u></b>	St. Brigid School Mass (Acts 2.42-47; John 20.19-23) ‡ Elisa Mendaglio	
	7:00 p.m.		5 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm.
THURSDAY, May 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Acts 13.13-25; John 13.16-20) ‡ Silvano Guidotti and deceased family members	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation for St. Joseph School, Acton	
FRIDAY, May 12	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Acts 13.26-33; John 14.1-6) ‡ Jose & Ilda DeMelo ‡ Barry Page ‡ Paula Pires ‡ Marica Bukovcan	
	10:30 a.m.	Mass at Bennett Centre	
SATURDAY, May 13	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fifth Sunday of Easter <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Angelina Mascarenhas; Bill Kent; Lillian Kent, Elizabeth Griffin & Nellie Stoyles; Katarina Zilavec; Martha Parker & Bruna DiRenzo; Russell Tidball; Michael Solano.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttill.

### ANNUAL PARISH FINANCE STATEMENT

Our annual 2016 Statement of Receipts and Expenditures is included in the bulletin. The statement reflects a net 15% excess in receipts over expenditures, a 47% increase over the previous year. Overall receipts were down by 2% but expenditures were reduced by 7%. A significant portion of the excess was applied against the mortgage on the Church. Total debt remaining is \$6.2 million as per the statement breakdown. Please contact the Parish if there are any questions concerning the annual statement.

### MOTHER'S DAY FOOD DRIVE

Our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual *Mother's Day Parish Food Drive* will take place on Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. Members of Holy Cross

HELPS, Catholic Women's League, and Knights of Columbus are supporting this food drive for the Georgetown food bank. Bags will be distributed after all Masses today along with a list of the most needed items. Please return the filled bags after Masses May 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for your support!

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - August 21 to 25

Please mark your calendars and join us for this year's VBS "*Maker Fun Factory*," Created by GOD Built for a Purpose. Registration will take place after all Masses on May 27/28. Children currently in Junior Kindergarten and up to grade 3 are welcome to join us for mornings filled with crafts, games, snacks, bible stories and songs. The program runs Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday,

August 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Cost is \$35 per child. A music CD with the program songs will be available for \$10 each and can be pre-ordered and picked up on the first day of camp. We need volunteers to help make our VBS a success. If you are interested in helping out please contact the parish office.

### **YOUTH GROUP NEWS**

Are you currently in grades 8 – 12? We still have a few spots for the **Steubenville Youth Conference** in Oshawa this summer (July 28 – 30). The total cost for admission to the conference, accommodation, all meals, and transportation is \$325.00. Please contact us at [hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com](mailto:hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com) if you would like to register for the conference or if you have any questions or inquiries.

### **NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a pilgrimage to Ottawa on Thursday, May 11 to participate in this year's National March for Life. Now more than ever before, it is critical that we send a message to our elected officials that death is never the answer to life's challenges. Tickets are \$20 per person. To reserve your seat, and help build a culture of life please contact Peter Loeppky at 289-878-4871 or [ploepky@cogeco.ca](mailto:ploeppky@cogeco.ca).

### **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications is setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2017 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

### **GFORCe2 - Syrian Refugee Family Update**

GFORCe2 (Georgetown Friends of Refugees Committee #) has been actively working to support the relocation of a Syrian refugee family to our community. Earlier this year we were approved to support a family in need however they were offered an opportunity to relocate to Australia. Without a clear time line for relocation to Canada they accepted the Australian opportunity and are now happily settled in Brisbane. We are proud of the work that GFORCe2 did to help this family in the interim and are glad that they are now safe. Unfortunately this development means that we are starting the process over again. The good news is that we have identified a new family for sponsorship. They are a young married couple and the husband's parents. They come from Aleppo, are now living in Lebanon and have been granted refugee status by the UN. They very much want to emigrate to Canada and escape from the horrors of life in Aleppo. Thanks to the generous

donations we have received, we are able to provide the family financial assistance until they are able to come to Canada. In the meantime we will be navigating the complex application process to gain approval from the Canadian government's immigration agency. Please contact us at [gforce2@cogeco.ca](mailto:gforce2@cogeco.ca) if you have any questions, and thank you for your ongoing support of GFORCe2. We will continue to provide updates.

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

Just a friendly reminder that our Annual Potluck May General Meeting will take place on Tuesday May 16<sup>th</sup> following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Please plan to attend the Mass as we will be having a "Crowning of Mary." We have invited the Essay Contest winners from our Catholic Schools to present their paper on "The Value of Catholic Education." We hope you can come out and enjoy good food and friends. Remember that you can always invite a friend to join us at our meetings. We will be collecting cookies, crackers, personal care items (shampoo/conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste) and cash for the Georgetown Bread Basket. Thank you in advance for your support. Remember all ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.

### **2017-2018 BOARD BUDGET PROCESS**

The Halton Catholic District School Board is currently reviewing its budget for the 2017-2018 school year, and are looking for feedback from members of the Halton Catholic community. Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts about next year's budget priorities by responding to a brief online survey at [http://bit.ly/2017Budget\\_HCDSB](http://bit.ly/2017Budget_HCDSB) The Board is committed to working in partnership with parents, employees, and community stakeholders. We value your input, and any feedback that you choose to provide will assist the Board in making budgetary decisions for the coming year. To learn more about the 2017-2018 Budget Challenges and Priorities, please visit the Board's website at [www.hcdsb.org](http://www.hcdsb.org) If you have any specific questions about the budget, or wish to provide your feedback, please send us an email at [loftsa@hcdsb.org](mailto:loftsa@hcdsb.org)

### **HOLY CROSS H.E.L.P.S.**

Holy Cross HELPS would like to thank parishioners for their continued support and generosity. The April collection was \$1,793.30 and we responded to 22 calls for food assistance. On behalf of those in need in our community, we pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for your generosity. Our next HELPS collection will be Sunday, May 27/28, 2017.

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