

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PARISH

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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

OFFICE HOURS

Monday 12 Noon \sim 4:00 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. \sim 4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. \sim 12:00 Noon

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SUNDAY MASSES

(Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 noon**

(**Please note Mass time changes)

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

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ALL SAINTS

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, November 1 Solemnity of All Saints	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Revelation 7.2-4, 9-14; 1 John 3.1-3; Matthew 5.1-12a) (ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)	
MONDAY, November 2 Commemoration of all the Fiathful Departed	9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass - All Parishioners of Holy Cross that have passed away Daily Mass - All Parishioners of Holy Cross that have passed away	
TUESDAY, November 3	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Philippians 2.5-11; Luke 14.15-24) ऐ Marie Hulme	
WEDNESDAY, November 4	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Philippians 2.12-18; Luke 14.25-33) † Frank Kolodziej	
THURSDAY, November 5	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Philippians 3.3-8a; Luke 15.1-10) → Deceased Members of the Everard Family	
FRIDAY, November 6	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Philippians 3.17-21, 4.1; Luke 16.1-8) † Kata Babic † Joan Rutherford † Holy Souls † Deceased Members of the Curley & McElroy Families	
SATURDAY, November 7	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: George & Nina Busuttil; Amavel Baptista; Joe Belliveau; Souls in Purgatory; Manuel & Angela Medeiros; Candida Azevedo; Deceased Members of the Cosentino & Varricchio Families.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttil.

From the Pastor's Desk

As the calendar turns to November, we celebrate two important feast days in the Church – *All Saints* and *All Souls* day. On All Saints day we celebrate the glory of eternal life through the saints that have received their eternal reward and are with our Lord forever in His heavenly kingdom! On All Souls day we pray in a particular way for all those still on that journey – those trusting in God and assured of eternal salvation but who are still being purified through God's infinite mercy in purgatory. November is always a special time of prayer for the dead, and I encourage you all to keep your loved ones in prayer this month. Eternal rest grant unto the faithful departed O Lord, and may your perpetual light shine upon them!

Also, today a note on Stage 2. As I write this note there has been no announcement yet by the provincial government of Halton region being placed back into Stage 2 restrictions. However, regardless of whether Halton is asked to return to Stage 2 or not, it is my understanding that churches will not be included at this point in any further lockdown measures.

As long as we keep following protocols to keep everyone safe, I anticipate that the government will allow us to stay open for worship unless things take a drastic change for the worse. Let us continue to keep everyone in prayer during this difficult time!

Have a good week everyone! – Fr. Dave

All Souls' Day – November 2nd, 2020

On All Souls' Day each year we pray in a particular way for all the faithful departed. So that everyone wishing to attend Mass this day may have an opportunity to do so, we will be offering **2 Masses – 9am and 7pm**. Traditionally in November we host a special Mass for all those who have died in the parish in the past year, but due to safety protocols at this time, we will postpone that Mass until we are able to gather freely again. For this year I would encourage anyone who wishes to pray for their loved ones in a special way to attend one of these Masses available on All Souls Day. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace...

Book of Life

It is traditional in November to write names of our deceased loved ones in the Book of Life to be prayed for in a particular way throughout the month. Because there is a touch-point hazard of sharing pens during this time of pandemic, we will do this a bit differently. If you wish to include your loved ones in the book of life, write their names on a piece of paper at home, bring that sheet of paper to church and drop it in a special box we will have prepared for this purpose.

One Heart, One Soul Capital Campaign - Update

As you will recall, we began to set in motion the *One Heart, Once Soul Capital Campaign* at the beginning of this year. However, as with so many other things the process was shut down due to the pandemic. We are now once again ramping up to begin the campaign later this year, and into the early part of 2021. We have many worthy projects being planned for funds raised, including a request for help to assist with the reduced amount of revenue the parish has been receiving since the shutdown to help 'weather this storm'. You will be hearing more in the coming weeks, and we look forward to journeying together to help make Holy Cross as vibrant as it can be!

Registration for Grade 2s Receiving 1st Reconciliation/ Communion this Year

Registration is now open for reception of the sacraments of 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion for this year's grade 2 students. For more information and to register your child to receive the sacraments this year, please enter your information at: www.holycrossrc.com/sacraments Please note you will need to upload your child's **baptismal certificate** in order to complete the registration. We look forward to celebrating these important sacraments with your family this year!

Religious Instruction for Public School Students

Parents of children enrolled in <u>Public</u> or <u>Private</u> schools are invited to enroll them in our parish's religious instruction program. The lessons are home-based and children work at their grade level and their own pace. It is sponsored by the Diocese of Hamilton and administrated through our parish. The successful completion of the appropriate Grade Levels is **required** prior to the child's reception of the sacraments. For example a child in Grade 2 should have completed the Level 1 program and be enrolled in Level 2. A child preparing for Confirmation should have completed all levels (and enrolled in Level 7) prior to Confirmation. For more information and registration kindly contact the Parish Office.

Wearing of Face Masks and Social Distancing Protocols

As time draws on, we have noticed that we are starting to get a bit complacent with the protocols. Just be reminded that face masks are required to be worn indoors at the church, with the mask covering both your nose and your mouth. Let's also keep in mind the 6ft distance, and sanitizing of our hands as we enter and exit. As long as we stay vigilant, we should stay safe!

Join the Knights of Columbus!

Calling all male Catholics! Are you looking for a way to serve? A way to live out your faith? Become a Knight of Columbus! Join our parish council and be a part of something bigger than yourself along side other brother Knights that live out their faith in fraternity with one another, serving God, the Church, our community and each other. You can now join online at: www.kofc.org/join. Be sure to enter 'Holy Cross Georgetown' as your local parish.

Online Sunday Mass Available on Youtube

As Facebook now requires you to have an account to view content on their platform we have started posting our content to Youtube in addition to Facebook. Our Youtube channel doesn't have an easy link, so it's best to follow the link from our parish website, or search 'Holy Cross Parish Georgetown' in the Youtube search box to find us. We of course will continue on Facebook as well at: www.facebook.com/HCParishGeorgetown

10TH ANNUAL HCCEF EVENING WITH BISHOP CROSBY – VIRTUAL EDITION

The HCCEF Evening with Bishop Crosby is always such a wonderful gathering of the Halton Community. Although we will not be able to meet in person this year, we can still gather virtually as a community. Highlights of the evening include: A Reception with friends at your virtual "table"; Musical Entertainment by HCDSB students; Recognition of Bishop Douglas Crosby's 10th Anniversary of his installment as the Bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton; Keynote address by Bishop Crosby. We want to be able to continue to say "yes" to supporting low-income HCDSB students and their families with basic necessities, because education directly influences students' life chances - and life outcomes. Every child deserves the opportunity to succeed. We need your help to do this. Wednesday, November 4, 2020 – 6:30-8:00pm For information visit the HCCEF website, email or call: Halton Catholic Children's Education Foundation (HCCEF) Helping Students in Need to Succeed in School www.hccef.org | @HCCEF | facebook.com/hccefhalton 905-802-0918 | office@hccef.org

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