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Diocese of Hamilton in 1956*

OFFICE HOURS

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

PARISH STAFF

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SUNDAY MASSES
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
& 12:00 noon**
(**12:00 noon September to June)

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)
Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Saturday 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

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Marleen Cushing, President
(647) 223-2461

Prayer Network
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905-877-6928

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905-877-4451

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905-702-8001

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, November 19 Ordinary 33	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish <i>(ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)</i>	
MONDAY, November 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Fr. Jonas	
TUESDAY, November 21	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Rod Grimes	
WEDNESDAY, November 22	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Virgilio, Manuel & Antonio Sales	
THURSDAY, November 23	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Dorothy De Souza	
FRIDAY, November 24	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Jean Falzon † Candida Azevedo (I) Maureen Lynas (I) Leslie Rutherford	<i>followed by Adoration until 12:00 p.m.</i>
SATURDAY, November 25	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Carolyn & Antoni Jedlinski	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Luis Botelho; Ernesto D. Henriques, Joaquim C., Maria de Jesus & Alda Pereira; John & Jeremiah deOliveira; Joe Esteireiro; Ivan & Ljubica Babic; Ricardo Medeiros; Ines Pagliese.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Kim Faria & William Murphy.

From the Pastor's Desk

We hear this Sunday the parable of the talents in the gospel. I believe that the meaning of the parable is pretty clear. The talents are the qualities God has bestowed on us – our intelligence, our ability to love, our skills, the things we are passionate about, our temporal goods. The journey of the master and his absence signifies the duration of our life. His unexpected return signifies the end of our life. The settling of accounts is our judgement. The banquet is Heaven where we share in the master's joy. What matters is how we use what we've been given. Life is God's gift to us. What we do with our life is our gift to God.

Quote of the Week

"Mental prayer in my opinion is nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends." — *St. Teresa of Avila*

Sunday Smile

A wealthy Frenchman was showing off his yachts. "This is un, this is deux, this is trois, this is quatre, this is six ..."
"What happened to five?" his wife asked. "Cinq" he answered.

Confirmations this Saturday

We are celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation this coming Saturday at Holy Cross Parish! Please pray for all the young people of our parish who will be Confirmed, that they may flourish in their Christian life having received the gifts of the Holy Spirit!

Looking Ahead to Christmas!

Believe it or not, Christmas is only 1-month away! For those who have been asking, our Christmas Mass Schedule will be: **Christmas Eve** - 5pm, 7pm, 9pm, 12midnight. **Christmas Day** - 9am, 10:30am.

Holy Cross Online

By way of reminder, Holy Cross continues to broadcast Sunday Mass and short daily reflections on our Facebook page and Youtube channel.

Our Facebook page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/HCParishGeorgetown>

Our Youtube channel is:

<https://www.youtube.com/@holycrossparish4741>

PARISH, KofC & CWL Christmas Dinner & Social

The Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's League will be hosting a joint Christmas Dinner and Social on Friday, December 1st in Cote Hall. **MEMBERS OF THE PARISH ARE INVITED!** Tickets are \$25 each and are available by calling Jim Pickett at 289-839-0444 or Marleen Cushing at 647-223-2461. Tickets must be purchased by Sunday, November 19th.

Holy Cross HELPS

On November 25/26 there will be a special collection for Holy Cross HELPS. This collection allows HELPS to provide extra assistance to clients for Christmas. This weekend an envelope is attached to the bulletin for this special Christmas assistance. Thank you for your continued support to this worthy cause.

CWL Meeting

The final CWL General Council Meeting for 2023 will be held on Tuesday, November 21st in Cote Hall after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. A presentation about their pilgrimages this past summer will be presented by Mary Elizabeth Reitzel, Gabriel Mills and Elias Medeiros. Tickets for the CWL and KofC Christmas Dinner on December 1st may be purchased at the meeting. Those wishing to pay their 2024 membership can do so at the meeting. We look forward to seeing you there.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Antimicrobial Awareness

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) occurs when bacteria, viruses, fungi, and parasites no longer respond to antimicrobial agents. As a result of drug resistance, antibiotics and other antimicrobial agents become ineffective and infections become difficult or impossible to treat, increasing the risk of disease spread, severe illness and death. According to the World Health Organization, World AMR Awareness Week (Nov 18-24) is a global campaign to raise awareness and understanding of AMR and promote best practices among One Health stakeholders to reduce the emergence and spread of drug-resistant infections. Visit www.who.int for more information.

Blood Pressure Clinic

Our Parish Nurse Candidate (Katie Kiss, RN) and other nurses from the parish will be holding a Blood Pressure Clinic after all Sunday Masses on November 26. If you are an RN or RPN and would be willing to help, please contact Katie at 416-433-4324.

Coping with the Holidays...When You Have Lost a Loved One

Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas. The session will be facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry. The gathering will be held at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. West in

Hamilton, on Sunday, December 3rd, 2023 from 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. You are welcome to join the session in person or by zoom. The event is FREE of charge. Please call Sarah to reserve a seat, or to receive the zoom link: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or register online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/family-ministry/healing-and-or-counseling/coping-with-wth-holidays/> (You must register to join by zoom; in person you can also walk in the day of the event.)

Sunday (Novalis) Missals

2024 Sunday Missals will be available for purchase after all Masses this weekend. The Knights of Columbus sell the Missals for \$5 each. The Sunday Missal is useful for reflecting on the Scripture readings before Mass. Your 2023 Missals can be left with the Knights for disposal.

The Annulment Process ... the facts and myths

Presented by Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, Diocese of Hamilton. Thursday, November 23 at 7:00pm at St. Michael Parish, 80 University Avenue West, Waterloo in the Parish Centre (basement). Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, the Administrative Officer and Auditor of the Marriage Tribunal for the Hamilton Diocese will present an overview of the Annulment process. He will clarify the steps, dispel the myths, and share facts and answer your questions. To reserve your spot, please register by emailing parish@stmichaelw.ca or phone 519-884-9311.

Young Adults Night - December 2nd - Durham

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (7:00pm-8:00pm), Social with Food (8:00pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:30pm-9:30pm), and Compline (9:30pm) on Saturday, December 2nd at St. Peter and the Missions Church (850 Garafraxa Street North, Durham, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Register Your Child for Kindergarten at HCDSB!

Kindergarten registration at the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) for the 2024-2025 school year is now open! Parents and guardians who are interested in registering their child for Kindergarten are invited to visit the HCDSB website for more information: <https://hcdsb.info/KindergartenRegistration>

Have You Moved Recently?

If you have moved or changed telephone numbers in the past few months, kindly let us know at the parish office so we can update our records.

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