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*Established as a Parish in the
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

Catholic Women's League
Marleen Cushing, President
(647) 223-2461

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Katie 416-433-4324

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905-877-4451

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905-702-8001

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, November 5 Ordinary 31	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 6	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Leslie Rutherford	
TUESDAY, November 7	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Louise Arsenault	
WEDNESDAY, November 8	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) The Fuller Family	
THURSDAY, November 9	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Lionilde, Manuel, Jose & Aldora Chora	
FRIDAY, November 10	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Domenico Sisi † Deceased Members of the Lynas & Ennett Families † Manny Funtanilla † Alice Chow	<i>followed by Adoration until 12:00 p.m.</i>
SATURDAY, November 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Joseph Belliveau	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Francisco Ciraco; Robert R. Tucker; Maria da Conceicao Botelho; Jerry Lapierre; Andria Freeman; Mary Gonsalves; Deceased Members of the Crane & Bennett Families.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Pat & Paula Canavan & deceased members of the Gilmore Family.

From the Pastor's Desk

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles themselves will be exalted." From our gospel today, we are reminded of this fundamental key to holiness – *humility*. Humility before others, but most importantly humility before God. The moment we realize that God is in control, we step aside and truly let His will be done in our lives. The moment that we let go and let God do what God does in our lives is the moment we realize we have found true freedom – true freedom in our Lord who wants only what is best for us.

Quote of the Week

"Life with Christ is a wonderful adventure." — *St. John Paul II*

Sunday Smile

I can't believe someone broke into my house and stole all of my fruit. I am peachless.

Cemetery Prayers - Sun, Nov 5th

November is a traditional time to offer prayers for our deceased loved ones. As has been parish custom, we will

be offering prayers on Sunday, November 5th at **Greenwood Cemetery (2:00pm)**, and **Holy Redeemer Cemetery (2:30pm)**. Join us, rain or shine!

Handicraft Holy Land Christians - Craft Sale

This weekend we will welcome Paul who represents "Handicraft Holy Land Christians" who after all the Masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land. He will also have many unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by Christian families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every Mass. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. May God Bless you for your generosity, for your help and for your prayers. Cash, debit, credit cards and cheque will be accepted. You can visit and support us at www.HolylandChristians.ca

Baptism Prep Team Volunteers Needed

Our Baptism Prep Team is looking for new members to help Father Dave, Father Carlos & Deacon Phong with the celebration of baptism. Volunteers arrive before the baptism celebration to help set up for baptism and direct the families during the

baptism. Please contact Father Dave or the parish office for more details.

Memorial Mass

Our Parish Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, November 18 at 10:30 a.m. We will remember in a special way those who have died during the past year, but all parishioners are invited to come to remember their own family and friends who have died over the years. Please RSVP to holycrossgeorgetownRSVP@gmail.com or call the office at 905-873-1887.

Knights of Columbus & 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. 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 November 17th.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

November is Men's Health Month

According to Movember Canada, they are taking on men's health in 3 areas: mental health and suicide prevention (3 out of 4 suicides in Canada are by men), prostate cancer (1 in 8 men in Canada will be diagnosed in their lifetime), and testicular cancer (the most common cancer in men aged 15-39). Since 2003, Movember has funded more than 1,250 men's health projects around the world, challenging the status quo, shaking up men's health research and transforming the way health services reach and support men. Visit <https://ca.movember.com> for more information.

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.

Jones Funeral Home - Estate & End of Life Planning

Are Your Affairs in Order? Coffee, Tea and Talk Workshop on Being Prepared. Join us at this complimentary event sponsored by Jones Funeral Home ... and discover the peace of mind that comes with Being Prepared. Come learn the essential details to ensure you have a properly prepared estate that covers Legal, Financial & End of Life Planning matters as well as simple strategies for organizing your important documentation. PLUS get your checklist copy of what every executor needs to know. At this must attend event you will learn: the Essential Duties of an Executor and How to Choose One; How to Plan a Funeral that meets your Wishes & Budget; the Importance of an Up

to Date Will & Power of Attorney. **Where:** Holy Cross Parish Hall. **When:** Thursday, November 16th from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. OR 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Guest Speaker: Gordon MacGregor, Certified Executor Advisor. To register, call Jones Funeral Home at 905-877-3631. Attendees will receive a free planning guide booklet. Light refreshments will be served.

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@stmichalw.ca or phone 519-884-9311.

RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive

Join us for learning, support and fun on a Friday evening. Held on the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. Please contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext.2249 if you plan to attend in person and for the zoom link if joining online. We look forward to seeing you!

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

There is sometimes confusion over what the Sacrament of the Sick is. Anyone experiencing serious illness may receive the sacrament, not just those who are close to death. In fact, it is preferable to receive the sacrament early in an illness when the person in ill health can benefit from the healing graces available as they battle their sickness. It is also the case that one can receive the Sacrament more than once during a time of serious illness, so there is no need to wait until the 'last minute' to call the priest. 'Last Rites', as the sacrament is often referred to, is actually the receiving of three sacraments if the person is able – *Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, and Holy Communion*. If you or a loved one have been diagnosed with a serious illness, contact the office to set up a time to receive the sacrament. If it is a hospital emergency (at any hospital, not just Georgetown), the nurses will have the contact information of local on-call priests which you can request.

Hospital Stays

For your information - Due to privacy laws, the hospital does not provide us with a list of Catholic patients as was the practice in the past, even if you give them information about your religious affiliation when admitted. This is just a reminder that if you find yourself or a loved one in the hospital and wish to have a visit from Father, please contact the office so we don't miss you! If it is an emergency, ask a nurse to contact the on-call priest.

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