



# HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PARISH

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*Established as a Parish in the  
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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday 12 Noon ~ 4:00 p.m.  
Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 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\*\*  
(\*\*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](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

### Catholic Women's League

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905-877-1176  
Michele Meitz, Co-President  
416-505-4354

### Knights of Columbus

Francis St. Pierre, Grand Knight  
905-873-6455

### Prayer Network

Chris 905-877-0462  
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### 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

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, November 8 Ordinary 32	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Wisdom 6.12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18; Matthew 25.1-13) <i>(ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)</i>	
MONDAY, November 9	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Ezekiel 47.1-2, 8-9, 12; John 2.13-22) † Gerald Pike	
TUESDAY, November 10	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Titus 2.1-8, 11-14; Luke 17.7-10) † Marie Simpson	
WEDNESDAY, November 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Titus 3.1-7; Luke 17.11-19) † Deceased Members of the Green Family	
THURSDAY, November 12	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Philemon 7-20; Luke 17.20-25) † Florecita Hidalgo	
FRIDAY, November 13	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (2 John 4-9; Luke 17.26-37) † Ana Spudic & Daniela Skrak † Carlos Page (I) Lescak Family (I) Katie Kiss & Family	
SATURDAY, November 14	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Francesco Ciraco; Frank Vieira; Michael Maloney; Theresa Scholz; Mario Uliana; Maria De Sousa	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of the living and deceased members of our family & friends.

### **From the Pastor's Desk**

November is always a traditional time to pray for all the faithful departed. It was great to see so many people attend our All Souls day Masses, and we will continue to pray for our deceased loved ones all month long in a particular way.

It's also traditional for the parish to have you enter names of your deceased loved ones into our 'Book of Life', but due to pandemic protocols we will be doing that differently this year. To avoid the unnecessary touch points of shared pens, we will have a basket available in the narthex for you to place the names that you wish to have prayed for. Write the names on a piece of paper at home, and then drop that pieces of paper in the basket the next time you come to Mass.

A couple of other parish traditions for November will also not be possible this year. We have always hosted a special Mass for all those that have passed away in the parish during the past year, as well as offering prayers at the Georgetown cemeteries. In regards to the special Mass, we will postpone that this year until we are all able to freely gather again. Because of capacity restrictions we don't want to invite family members to the Mass and then have to turn them away should the church fill up. We will continue to pray for our deceased loved ones at our Masses in November, and we hope we can celebrate this memorial Mass in the spring – God willing – hopefully not having to worry about capacity regulations.

It has also been a tradition to offer prayers at the local cemeteries. However, also due to pandemic restrictions we won't be able to do that this year as a parish group. Outdoor gathering limits in Ontario are 25 people, and we would have no way of being able to control the number of people that may join us. I know it seems strange that we have to worry about outdoor gathering numbers, but that is the law and could risk us being assessed significant fines for not abiding by the rules. Having said that, Fr. Hayden and I will make a point of offering prayers at Greenwood, Holy Redeemer and Glen Williams cemeteries privately throughout the month and encourage you to do the same. There is an indulgence available for this practise, which is outlined below in this bulletin.

Have a good week everyone! – Fr. Dave

### **Visiting a Cemetery in November**

The Church offers a plenary indulgence for Souls in Purgatory when one offers prayer at a cemetery during the month of November, receives Holy Communion and the Sacrament of Reconciliation at some point in the month. It is worth a visit to one of our cemeteries to offer prayers for the faithful departed! For more information on this practice, please visit: <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/activities/view.cfm?id=1178>

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation/ Communion this Year

Registration is now open for reception of the sacraments of 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation and 1<sup>st</sup> 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/](http://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 **Public** or **Private** 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

We have noticed that we are starting to get a bit complacent with protocols. Please remember 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](http://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](http://www.facebook.com/HCParishGeorgetown)

### BID ONLINE TO WIN!!!

The Rotary club of Georgetown, working in partnership with other Rotary clubs in surrounding communities, are holding an online auction from November 7<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>. There are over 750 items available for your bidding, from electronics, fashion, hardware, household appliances, grocery store gift cards, home decor, services, sports, and much more ... all listed at [www.rotaryonlineauction.ca](http://www.rotaryonlineauction.ca) Rotary has been helping people in our community for 65 years. A few of the many organizations we support include Cancer Assistance Services Halton Hills, Georgetown Hospital, Food4Kids, Georgetown Breadbasket, Halton Women's Place, and Links2Care. All proceeds from the auction support humanitarian projects and charities within our local communities and worldwide. Please help us help others.

### Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open with limited office hours. We will be open for in person visits on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Voice messages and emails are still being checked regularly. We will respond to any inquiries you may have as soon as they are received.

### Have You Moved Recently or Changed your Contact Info?

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

### Electronics Recycling Fundraiser for Sacre-Coeur Parish

Wondering what to do with your old electronics? Sacre-Coeur parish has a drop-off point for electronic recycling, and get paid for each item received. The heavier, the better! Every pound collected earns them money. Televisions (all kinds), computers, printers, batteries (all kinds), DVD or CD players, photocopier, telephones, stereos and amplifiers. Computer screens, cellular network equipment, electrical wires, computer accessories, ink cartridges, computer games and many more. For more information: Maryse Mallet Sinnis ([mmalletsinnis@gmail.com](mailto:mmalletsinnis@gmail.com)). Or contact Jim Pickett at 289-839-0444 (voice or text). **No appliances please.**



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