



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 Noon

Parish Staff

Father David Wynen, Pastor
Father Joseph Pezhathumkal, Associate Pastor
Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
Mr. Robert Ramage, Maintenance
Mrs. Barbara Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant
Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

SUNDAY EUCHARIST
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 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 David Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.vocationinfo.ca

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
SUNDAY, November 27 Isaiah 63:16b-17; 64:1, 3-8 • 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 • Matthew 13:33-37	9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, November 28 Isaiah 2:1-5 • Matthew 8:5-11, 13	No Mass	No Mass	Father Vernon Cullaton
TUESDAY, November 29 Isaiah 11:1-10 • Luke 10:21-24	7:00 p.m. Mass	† Antonio & Vincenza Forestieri & Tutina Paradisi	Father Ron Cote
WEDNESDAY, November 30 Romans 10:9-18 • Matthew 4:18-22	8:00 a.m. Mass	† John Voros	Oblates of Mary Immaculate, O.M.I.
	3:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration	
THURSDAY, December 1 Isaiah 26:1-6 • Matthew 7:21, 24-27	8:00 a.m. Mass	† William Milliere	Monsignor William O'Brien
FRIDAY, December 2 Isaiah 29:17-24 • Matthew 9:27-31	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> Mass	† Siena Van Hoekelen † Maria deMelo † Maureen Poppowich	Father Leo Burns, CSB
SATURDAY, December 3 Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 • Matthew 9:35 - 10:1, 5a, 6-8	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Father Michael Sullivan
	5:00 p.m. Mass	†Theresa Burns † Manuel Araujo † Noel Godreau † Lucille Stokes † John Gambacorta † Julia Macri & Francesco Cozantino † Joao Luiz, Jose Luiz & Gilberto Luiz	

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week the Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of the Deceased Members of the De Melo & Vieira Families.

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, November 28

6:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - Adults Members

TUESDAY, November 29

7:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room

WEDNESDAY, November 30

7:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room

7:30 p.m. K of C Executive Meeting - St. Joseph Room

7:30 p.m. Atrium Catechist Meeting - Atrium

THURSDAY, December 1

7:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room

SATURDAY, December 3

9:00 a.m. New Missal Workshop - Cote Hall

3:00 p.m. Jones Funeral Home Memorial Service - Jones'

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • November 13 \$ 8,140.00

Total number of regular envelopes – 463

Average envelope donation – \$15.34

New Church Building Fund \$ 3,258.00

TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION \$ 11,398.00

APPOINTMENT

Bishop Crosby has appointed Fr. Joe the priest-chaplain of Saint Joseph Villa Retirement Home in Dundas. We thank Father for his time with us and wish him well in this new assignment.

SEASON OF ADVENT

Today we begin a new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent. This brief liturgical Season is a period of *joyful* preparation for the celebration of the Lord's Birth at Christmas. The purple of this time reminds us that it is Christ alone who is the True Light. Join us for our special celebrations during the Season of Advent:

Tuesday, December 6th at 7:00 p.m.

School Family Mass (Church)

Sunday, December 11th (all Masses)

Parish Advent Mini-Mission - Monsignor Vincent Kerr will preach a "mini-mission" at the Masses this weekend.

Advent Penance Celebration - Sunday, December 11 at 4:00 p.m. area priests will assist us with the Sacrament of Confession ... this is the best opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament before Christmas.

Wednesday, December 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Hour & Benediction

All men of the parish ... and women too! Are invited to this special *Holy Hour and Benediction* of the Blessed Sacrament for the Season of Advent.

NOVEMBER 27, 2011

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

With Christmas less than a month away! ...

Christmas Eve (Saturday, December 24th, 2011)

5:00 p.m. Christmas Mass

7:00 p.m. Christmas Mass

9:00 p.m. Christmas Mass

12:00 a.m. Solemn Midnight Mass (Incense)

Christmas Day (Sunday, December 25th, 2011)

9:00 a.m. Christmas Mass (Pageant)

11:00 a.m. Christmas Mass (Incense)

No afternoon or evening Masses in the Diocese of Hamilton on Christmas day.

ROMAN MISSAL

Today Catholics across the English-speaking world are beginning to use the new English translation of the 3rd Edition of the Roman Missal. The coming weeks will be a period of transition for all of us. Please do use the pew cards to assist you in making the responses at Mass.

For the month of December (Season of Advent) we will pray the *Third Eucharistic Prayer* at Sunday Mass.

In Canada, we will also implement the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* which offers guidance and direction for the celebration of the Mass. It is important to note that there are some adjustments to our gestures which will begin today:

Postures during Mass

The Bishops of Canada direct that ...

1. At the priest's invitation, "*Pray brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours be acceptable ...*" the people **stand** and then respond, "*May the Lord accept the sacrifice ...*"

2. The common posture for the reception of Holy Communion is standing before the minister, however, those who choose to kneel will not be forced to stand.

3. An act of reverence, specifically a bow of the head, is to be made before receiving Holy Communion. Once the person ahead of us in the Communion procession has received and is walking away from the minister, we bow our head and then present ourselves for the reception of the Body of Christ - the same practice is followed when receiving the Precious Blood.

Other matters regarding Holy Communion ...

1. A Eucharistic Fast is to be observed by all receiving

communion - the fast is one hour before reception in order to prepare ourselves for the Eucharist. Those who are sick, diabetic or otherwise unable are ***not*** bound by the rule of Eucharistic fasting.

2. There is one blessing at the end of Mass; a blessing for those who cannot receive Holy Communion is unnecessary. Only initiated Catholics, who have already received their first Communion, may present themselves for Holy Communion. Children should accompany their parents at Communion and are ***always*** acknowledged by the minister of Communion.

3. Receiving both the Body and Blood of Christ is encouraged as a *fuller sign* of the Eucharistic mystery. We do, however, receive the fullness of the Eucharist by receiving one species.

4. After the distribution of Holy Communion the ministers return to the Altar for the purification of the vessels. The extra-Ordinary ministers of Holy Communion will assist with the clearing of the Altar after Communion.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Adults and children wishing to participate or help out with this year's Christmas Pageant to be held at the 9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass are asked to call Claudine Waddick at 905-702-9121. We require adults for supervision and coordination and children as participants. No speaking is required of the children. A meeting will be held in early December to discuss roles and next steps. Please join us in this family tradition of explaining the BEST GIFT of Christmas.

THANK YOU

Our parish would like to take this opportunity to thank Claudio and Anna of Capina Family Eatery, 99 Main Street South for their kindness in hosting three "Festa Italia" dinners at their restaurant. \$20 from each dinner was donated to the Parish Building Fund. May the Good Lord bless you abundantly for your generosity of spirit. Thanks also for opening your restaurant early on Sunday, November 6th, 2011 for our Wedding Anniversary Couples luncheon.

Claudio has a special offer for parishioners of Holy Cross - come and enjoy lunch (between 12 Noon - 2 p.m.) on the Sundays of Advent (November 27, December 4, 11, and 18) for a free will donation. (Cost of beverages not included). Half of the money collected will be donated to Holy Cross HELPS and the other half will help cover his costs. Thanks to Claudio and Anna for their warm hospitality to our community. *Parish Social Committee.*

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