Holy Cross Catholic Parish



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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

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 K. Cull, Pastor email kcull@hamiltondiocese.com or follow on Twitter at @FrCull Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse Ms. Rachael de Souza, Youth Minister

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

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 Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Wednesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. (Bulletin has weekly schedule of Masses)

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 Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

Catholic Women's League Jane Santaluce, President 905-877-7226

Knights of Columbus Jim McDonald, Grand Knight 905-873-2519

Holy Cross Youth Group hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com **Prayer Network** Chris 905-877-0462 Frans 905-877-6369

Christ the King Secondary (05-702-8838

Holy Cross School 905-877-4451 Saint Francis School 905-877-6928

Saint Brigid School 905-877-1779

Saint Catherine School 905-702-8001

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 1 <i>Ordinary</i> 26	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Ezekiel 18.25-28; Philippians 2.1-11; Matthew 21.28-32)	
MONDAY, October 2		No Mass	
TUESDAY, October 3	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour - CANCELLED	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - CANCELLED	
	7:00 p.m.	No Mass	
	7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm
	7:30 p.m.		4 th Degree Meeting - Cote Hall
WEDNESDAY October 4	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Nehemiah 2.1-8; Luke 9.57-62) ∜ Elisa Mendaglio	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm
THURSDAY, October 5	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Nehemiah 8.1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Luke 10.1-12) ∜ Bartolomea Vallecoccia & Giancinta De Maggio	
	1:30 p.m.		Health & Wellness Meeting - Sac. Hrt.
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, October 6	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	School Faith Day Mass (Baruch 1.15-22; Luke 10.13-16) [↑] Michele Graziani [↑] Mr. & Mrs. Jean Long [↑] Lucena Bumanlag (I) In thanksgiving to St. Anthony & St. Bernard Clairveaux	
SATURDAY, October 7	11:00 a.m.		Blessing of Pets - Church parking lot
	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Sebastian Aguiar; George & Nina Busuttil; Manuel De Lima; Manuel & John Araujo; Reginald Dimmer; Armanda & Jose Torres; Ivan Ricardo Page; Agostino & Isabel Faria & Antonio & Constantina Branco.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttil.

BLESSING OF PETS

On Saturday, October 7th at 11:00 a.m., the Saturday after the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi, Father Cull will offer a blessing of pets in the parking lot of the church. St. Francis exhibited a special care and concern for all creation and is credited with creating the very first crèche in 1223. All are welcome to gather for this special blessing.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL 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 homebased 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.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

This process, through which adults become fully initiated members of our Catholic faith community, will begin again this Fall. If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and the possibility of becoming a Catholic, please contact Father Cull at the Parish Office. The process involves a weekly commitment to one hour sessions and participation at Sunday Mass. It is open to unbaptized adults, those baptized in other Christian churches, and Catholics who desire to complete their initiation.

GOOD SHEPHERD ATRIUM REGISTRATION

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (also known as "the Atrium") is a parish-based ministry at Holy Cross Parish. It is open to all children between the ages of 3 – 12, offering them a unique opportunity for faith development. This program, founded in Rome, is a soundly traditional method of allowing children to enter more fully into the mystery of God using the principles of Montessori education. The sessions provide presentations, materials and a sacred space where the children can grow in their personal relationship with God, as it is first proclaimed to them through Jesus, the Good Shepherd. Weekly (1.5 to 2 hours) sessions run from October to May. Registration is currently open for sessions beginning in September/October 2017. Space is limited. For more information, please contact the parish office.

SUNDAY 9:00 AM CHOIR

Welcome back to another year of music ministry at Holy Cross Parish! Please be aware that there has been a change to the direction and membership of the 9:00 a.m. Sunday choir. If you would like to join this new choir, please fell free to introduce yourself after 9:00 Mass, to contact the parish office, or to contact Michael Harrison (416) 706-3415. Choir practices will be on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Song styles will be a mixture of modern and traditional styles. No prior experience necessary. All are welcome!

LOW IMPACT EXERCISE

All parishioners are warmly invited to participate in the *Low Impact Exercise* classes that are held at St. John's United Church on Guelph Street. Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 10:10 a.m. Please bring your own weights, a bottle of water and wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Cost is \$3.00 per class, pay as you go. Contact Theresa Scholz at extension #5 for further information.

LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

Life Chain is a silent, prayerful witness to end abortion and remember the lives of over 54 million unborn children lost to abortion. Join us on Sunday, October 1st from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. at the corner of Maple Avenue and Guelph Street in Georgetown. Arrive a bit early to pick up your sign. Contact Tony Smyth at 647-401-1617 or Dino Arsenault at 647-239-9174.

CATHOLICISM: A RELATIONAL JOURNEY

A new faith development course will be offered at the parish this fall. The course involves seven weekly sessions. The course is suitable for people who have completed the Alpha course and for Catholics, who are trying to know, understand and live their faith. The talks, given by Fr. Cull, and videos are designed to encourage conversation and explore how the Catholic faith can help you make your relationship with Jesus more personal. For more information, or if you wish to register for the course, please visit the parish website at www.holycrossrc.com. Help is also needed in preparing light snacks, drinks and cleanup. If you wish to help with hospitality for the course, please contact Gerry Byrne at <u>catholicismholycross@gmail.com</u>

WELCOME/INFORMATION MINISTRY

This is a new ministry of welcoming and providing information, especially to new parishioners. "I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35) This ministry is not only about greeting people we know, but also more importantly, reaching out to the stranger who enters the church. It would be ideal for this ministry to have two people at each Sunday Mass welcoming people as they enter the narthex and providing information about the parish. The ministry will be particularly important to new parishioners who wish to ask questions about the parish. With the help of many, you would be required to help one or two Sundays a month. For more information about this ministry, please contact Gerry and Kathy Byrne at informationholycross@gmail.com

HCCEF EVENING WITH BISHOP CROSBY

Join us for a the 7th Annual HCCEF Evening with Bishop Crosby. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet Bishop Douglas Crosby and to hear him speak. It's a fun evening with exceptional food, fellowship and a great cause proceeds support the HCCEF Student Guardian Program. All are welcome. Wednesday November 1st -5:30 - 9:30 p.m. at LeDome Bnaquet Hall, 1173 North Service Road East, Oakville. Tickets are \$75 each or \$750 for a table of 10. Sponsorship opportunities available. Registration online at <u>www.hccef.org</u>

GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

Father Cull and our hospital visitors make regular visits to the sick in the Georgetown Hospital. Kindly be sure to identify yourself as a Catholic so that your name can be given to us when we visit.

