

Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

Office hours

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

Parish Staff

Father David Wynen, 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. (October 14 - April 28)

RECONCILIATION

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

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Tuesday - 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 - Contact Father David Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Burial at Holy Redeemer Cemetery - Contact Catholic Cemeteries of Hamilton (905) 877-8500.

Catholic Women's League Mary Jo Jans, President (905) 873-4151

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Eucharist	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 14 Ordinary 28	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Wisdom 7.7-11; Heb. 4.12-13; Mark 10.17-30)	
MONDAY, October 15		No Mass	9 am Choir Rehearsal - Adult Members
TUESDAY, October 16	10:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Galatians 5.1-6; Luke 11.37-41) † Rita Van Wouw - Holy Cross School Mass	
	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour (Church)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Galatians 5.1-6; Luke 11.37-41) † Bill Milliere	
	7:30 p.m.		CWL General Meeting (Cote Hall)
WEDNESDAY, October 17	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Galatians 5.18-25; Luke 11.42-46) † Ingrid Kastelic	
	7:00 p.m.		5 pm Mass Choir Rehearsal (St. Cecilia)
	7:30 p.m.		New Ministers of the Word (Church)
THURSDAY, October 18 St. Luke, Evangelist	10:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (2 Timothy 4.9-17a; Luke 10.1-9) † Mate Batinic - St. Brigid School Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		11 am Choir Rehearsal (St. Cecilia Room)
	7:30 p.m.		Catholicism 101 (Cote Hall)
FRIDAY, October 19	9:00 a.m.	No 9:00 a.m. Mass	
SATURDAY October 20	10:30 a.m.		Altar Server Training (Church)
	4 - 4:30 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - 29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Tanya Toews; Bernie Smith; Patrick McGrinder; Virginio Sousa; Coralie Ferguson; Luisa de Maldonado, Augusta Dominguez, Carmen Romero & Carmen Cairo	

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of the deOliveira Family.

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

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Regular Collection • September 30	\$ 8,335.00
Total number of regular envelopes - 428	
Average envelope donation — \$16.27	
New Church Building Fund	\$ 226.00
Holy Cross H.E.L.P.S.	\$ 975.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION	\$ 9.536.00

Thank you for your generosity to our parish community.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Children in Grade 4 or older, who wish to assist at Sunday Mass as Altar Servers are invited to join us for some training sessions on Saturday, October 20th and 27th at 10:30 a.m. in the Church. These sessions will also be a good "refresher" for current servers too.

MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Our celebration of Mass with the Anointing of the Sick for our homebound and ill parishioners on September 22 was a beautiful occasion thanks to the work of our volunteers. Thanks to Theresa Scholz, our Parish Nurse, members of the Health & Wellness Committee and members of the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League who helped out with the Mass and reception. Thanks also to our musicians - Susan & Marie - and to His Excellency, Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus for presiding at the Mass. This was the second time we have been able to offer this celebration and we hope that it will become an annual event.

FROM FATHER DAVE ...

Bishop Crosby has given me permission to take a sabbatical. I have enrolled in a renewal program for priests offered by the Pontifical North American College in Rome. Enrollment in the program means that I will be away from the parish from Monday, January 28th, 2013 until Thursday, May 16th, 2013 (I'll return with the St. Matthew Anniversary pilgrims). The program is focused on the "Year of Faith" and includes a segment studying art and architecture in Rome & Florence. It concludes with a journey to Greece in the footsteps of St. Paul. I'll return to Rome and meet up with our pilgrim group on May 6th in Assisi. The Bishop will appoint a priest administrator for Holy Cross to care for the parish in my absence. Once that appointment is made I will announce it in the parish. I am very grateful to the Bishop for this opportunity and I am looking forward to it! Your kind prayers are very much appreciated and I can assure you that our parish community will be remembered in prayer as I visit these holy places.

ITALY PILGRIMAGE

A good number of individuals have take an information sheet regarding our planned Italy Pilgrimage in May 2013. Please note that you may call Joanne Cothran (agent listed on the back of the brochure) to secure your place on the pilgrimage. We are planning an information meeting, a "Roman Night" at St. Matthew Church for Monday, November 26 for those who have signed up for the trip. The cost includes airfare, 1st class accommodations, admissions to all sites, most meals and transfers. If you would like a copy of the information brochure please see Fr. Dave or contact the parish office.

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

Parents of children in Grade 2 (1st Communion) can register for the Sacrament now by visiting our parish website www.holycrossrc.com and follow the appropriate link. The registration deadline for 1st Communion (Grade 2) is October 31st.

CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETINGS

The final Confirmation Parent meeting will be held on Sunday, October 21st at 12:30 p.m. in the Church. This meeting is intended for families from St. Francis School and all those who have not yet attended a meeting.

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 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 or 8) prior to Confirmation. For more information and registration kindly contact the Parish Office. Parents of children in Grade 2 or Grade 7/8 should refer to the additional information regarding the Sacraments (above).

YEAR OF FAITH

The Year of Faith has begun! It was called by Pope Benedict XVI to recall the 50th Anniversary of the Opening of the Second Vatican Council. The Council met between 1962 - 1965. It published four "Constitutions" which have helped the Church adapt to necessary reforms in pastoral life, liturgy, the understanding of Scripture and our response to the modern world. Additionally, several Decrees offered specific direction to Bishops, priests and consecrated religious women and men. Finally, messages addressed areas of specific concern particularly the Church's relationship with non-Christian religions, communication and the Jewish people.

These documents of Vatican II are available in English on the Vatican's website - www.vatican.va

After the Council two other significant documents were published as fruits of the Council - the *Code of Canon Law* was promulgated in 1983; and the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* in 1992.

Vatican II has had a profound influence on the life of the Church these past fifty years. Historically, Councils of this kind have taken a few generations to be fully applied and appreciated. There have been 21 ecumenical Councils - meaning gatherings of all Catholic Bishops from around the world. The Second Vatican Council completed the work of the First Vatican Council (1869-1870). Its teaching was significantly influenced by the teaching of Pope Pius XII (1939-1958), the "liturgical movement" of the early 20th Century, and the growing understanding of the Church's social teachings since Pope Leo XIII (1878-1903). Our current Holy Father, Benedict XVI served as a theological expert during Vatican II and has invited Catholics to deepen their appreciation of the Catholic faith and teaching of Vatican II during this Year of Faith. Our parish's "Catholicism 101" continues on Thursday evening by looking at Sacred Scripture in the lives of Catholics.

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