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*Established as a Parish in the
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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

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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

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905-877-4451

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905-702-8001

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 15 Ordinary 28	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, October 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † John & Rosa Chora	
TUESDAY, October 17	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (I) Leslie Rutherford	
WEDNESDAY, October 18	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Christa Williams	
THURSDAY, October 19	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Maria da Conceicao Botelho	
FRIDAY, October 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Juraj, Mara & George Sebalj † Genoveva Bertrand de Barsallo (I) Linda Raineville (I) Charles Irvin	<i>followed by Adoration until 12:00 p.m.</i>
SATURDAY, October 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Holy Cross Parish	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Maria deSousa; Maria doCarmo Medeiros; Steve Posavec & Steve Stanisic; Amelia Matos & Manuel Raposo; Jose Tavares, Deolinda dos Santos & Conceicao Sousa; Augustino & Gina Cecchin; Silvano Guidotti & deceased members of the Guidotti & Amella Families.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of John & Clare Gibson.

From the Pastor's Desk

What is our response to God's invitation to follow him? The parable in today's gospel speaks of a great wedding feast, which we interpret as the great marriage between Christ and the Church – a marriage that unites this world and the heavenly kingdom. And despite some of the dark images portrayed of those who disrespect the invitation, there is this thread of *a very patient king* who is *persistent* with his invitations. We see that it is God that comes to seek us out, and not the other way around. It is the king who reaches out, not the lowly peasants who line up to somehow receive an invitation to this royal wedding. But as with any invitation that we receive, we are confronted with a choice - with the choice of how we are going to reply. Do we ignore the Lord's invitation in our lives, or do we accept it with great joy?

Quote of the Week

"Jesus loves hidden souls. A hidden flower is the most fragrant. I must strive to make the interior of my soul a resting place for the heart of Jesus. — *St. Teresa of Avila*

Sunday Smile

My boss asked me why I only get sick on work days. I said it must be my weekend immune system.

Fall Yard Clean Up

Community Unity Halton Hills is having the annual **Fall Yard Clean Up** on **Saturday, November 4th** from 8:15am until noon. **We need your help!** Not only is this an opportunity to volunteer in raking leaves for homes of those in need (due to age, health or circumstance) it is also a chance to make new friends. The day begins at St. Andrew's United Church (89 Mountainview Rd. S.) And ends at Know Church for a BBQ and fellowship (12:00-1:00pm). Everyone is welcome. Please email Celia Stokoe at holycrosscuhh@gmail.com to sign up. Tell your friends and neighbours as we work together as Christians to help those in our community.

CWL NEWS

The October CWL General Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 17th in Cote Hall, after the 7:00 pm Mass. Gordon McGregor, from Jones Funeral Home, will be speaking

about Estate Planning. Gordon is an Advance Planning Consultant and Certified Executor Advisor. On Friday, December 1st, the CWL and Knights of Columbus will be having a combined Christmas Social in Cote Hall. More details to follow.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Importance of Eye Exams

According to the Canadian Association of Optometrists, regardless of age or physical health, an annual comprehensive eye exam helps detect vision issues early, improving treatment options. Many serious eye conditions do not have obvious symptoms and some eye diseases only show symptoms when the condition is advanced and difficult to treat. For students, classroom learning is largely visual, so a comprehensive eye examination is essential to provide the full assurance of vision and eye health that a simple eye-chart test or vision screening cannot. Visit <https://opto.ca> or your optometrist for more information.

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.

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 2023. For more information, please contact the parish office.

All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

The annual All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery will take place on Sunday, October 29 at 2:00pm. The principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. Refreshments will be served after Mass. All are welcome!

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.

Men's Discernment Group

If you would like to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic priest, please join me, Father Mark Morley, and other men who are discerning their vocation, by attending our diocesan Men's Discernment Group. Our first meeting for the Fall will be held on Friday, October 20th at 7:00pm at St. Michael Church, 80 University Ave W, Waterloo, ON. We will gather in the hall. Please use the side doors at the front of the church. If you would like to attend, or have any questions, please contact me: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

40 Days for Life - September 27 to November 5

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community: Vigil location: East of Oakville Trafalgar Hospital, at the Northwest corner of Proudfoot Trail and Dundas Street from 7:00am to 7:00pm daily. Contact Steve at 40daysforlifeoakville@gmail.com Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our website www.40daysforlife.com/oakville

Halton Alive Gala

Come support the pro-life work of Halton Alive at our annual fundraising Gala and Silent Auction! Join us for a night filled with delicious food, community networking, entertainment, and support for pro-life work. Event features: gourmet dinner, silent auction, live music, testimonials, photo booth, games, door prizes. **Date:** Friday, October 20, 2023 **Time:** Doors open at 6pm **Tickets:** \$100. **Location:** Oakville Convention Centre, 2515 Wycroft Road, Oakville **RSVP:** www.haltonalive.ca/gala or call 365-366-3232.

Rosary Repairs

Do you have a broken rosary lying around that you're not sure what to do with? Well, there's good news! We have a parishioner that has the skills and tools to repair rosaries, and is more than happy to do so for you! There is a box in the narthex titled 'Rosary Repairs' – simply take an envelope from the box to insert the broken rosary, write your name and contact information on it and we will let you know when it's fixed and ready to pick up.

Have You Moved Recently?

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

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