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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. ~ 12:00 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

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

Prayer Network
Katie 416-433-4324

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Michael Simpson, Grand Knight
michael.simpson@cogeco.ca

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Holy Cross School
905-877-4451

Saint Catherine School
905-702-8001

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 24 <i>Ordinary 30</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish <i>(ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)</i>	
MONDAY, October 25		No Mass	
TUESDAY, October 26	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Jack May	
WEDNESDAY October 27	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Louise Brown	
THURSDAY, October 28	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Jean Falzon	
FRIDAY, October 29	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Imelda Custodio † Alfredo Jose † Steve Posavec † Steve Stanisic † Pietro Albanese (I) Special Intentions	
SATURDAY, October 30	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Ivan & Ljubica Babic; Verna & Clarence Beaton; Joseph Galea; Connie Anderson; Armando Narvali; Giuseppe Bonsignore; John Voros Jr.; Gerard Coutinho.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the Intentions of Holy Cross Parish.

From the Pastor's Desk

A big 'thank you' to Fr. Adam Zettel, LC, for preaching all the Sunday Masses this weekend. It's great to welcome him to the parish! Fr. Adam will be joining us once-per-month and filling in from time-to-time as needed. It's a big help to me to get a bit of a break from preaching, and it's good to hear another perspective from the pulpit! - Fr. Dave

Sunday Smile

A kindergarten teacher was walking around observing her classroom of children while they were drawing pictures. As she got to one girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was. The girl replied, "I'm drawing God." The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like." Without looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, "They will in a minute."

One Heart, One Soul Campaign - UPDATE

Another big thank you to everyone who has been contributing to our *One Heart, One Soul* Capital Campaign! We currently have \$485,000 pledged which will be collected over a 3-year window of giving. And, further good news, we have just completed our first project with funds raised! We

have replaced all our old halogen lights in the parking lot and around the church to new, energy-efficient LED fixtures. The lighting levels have improved dramatically, and we expect to achieve a 75% reduction in energy usage! The project should pay for itself in 4-5 years of reduced electricity bills. We look forward to putting the rest of the funds to good use by investing in further maintenance projects for the church (air conditioning, sound system, etc.), and once COVID restrictions have lifted, the hiring of a Pastoral Minister to help build up our faith-based programming at the parish. If you haven't yet contributed but would like to, it's not too late! You can pick up a package at the office, or visit: www.oneheartonesoul.ca

From the Diocese - COVID Vaccines

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

Community Unity Halton Hills Fall Yard Clean Up

With the autumn season upon us it is time for the CUHH annual Fall Clean Up. We have identified homes which are in need of leaf raking and simple yard tidying and are looking for families to volunteer. If your family would like to be part of a Family Raking Group please contact Celia Stokoe for details at cuhhholycross@gmail.com. Thank you for your participation.

Printed Bulletins

Due to changing COVID protocols which take into account new evidence that touch points are not a significant infection risk, we will once again be offering a printed bulletin at Sunday Masses. We will also continue to send out bulletins via email to those who wish to receive them electronically.

Dr. Simone - Canadian Food for Children - OPEN

We have resumed collections for Dr. Simone's Mississauga Warehouse. Please remember to wash and fold your clothing and bedding donations. If you have any questions about what is acceptable please contact the warehouse directly at 905-274-9239 or visit their website canadianfoodforchildren.net.

Baptism Prep Team Volunteers Needed

Our Baptism Prep Team is looking for new members to help Father Dave with the celebration of baptism. Volunteers arrive before the baptism celebration to help set up for baptism and direct the families during the baptism. Please contact Father Dave or the parish office for more details.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2021 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Holy Cross HELPS Donations

Holy Cross HELPS is still going about their important work of helping those in need in our community and are still gratefully accepting donations. If you wish to contribute to their good work, simply drop an envelope marked 'Holy Cross HELPS' into the locked mailbox outside the office door with your name and envelope number. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

Religious Instruction for Public School

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.

2022 Weddings

Couples planning to marry in 2022 should contact the parish office. Kindly note that we require one year's notice of marriage to allow time for marriage preparation and the completion of the necessary documents. This requirement also applies to couples from Georgetown who are planning marriages outside the Diocese of Hamilton.

'Virtual' Children's Liturgy

We really miss welcoming our little ones each Sunday for Children's Liturgy. Until we are able to safely offer this program again, we have an online option – visit our website to follow our link to 'Children's Liturgy' each week to find some fun information and activities for families!

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.

Links2Care

- 1.) Need help bathing? Links2care offers free PSW help for Halton Hills seniors and adults with disabilities. Contact 905-873-6502 or email info@links2care.ca
- 2.) Lnk2Care have partnered with The Lunch Lady to offer 'Supper on Wheels' for seniors and adults with disabilities in Halton Hills. Tuesdays - only \$9.60. Gift certificates available. Contact 905-873-6502 or email info@links2care.ca

Evenings with His Excellency

(Formerly called "Fridays with Father")

Interested in learning more about our Catholic Faith? Join Bishop Lobsinger for "Evenings with His Excellency" on the second Friday of each month at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in Canadian Martyrs Church, (1349 Main Street West, Hamilton). Each month we will methodically go through the "Catechism of the Catholic Church". There is no registration, no fee and no homework. Come ready to learn and ask all the questions you always wanted to ask about our Catholic Faith. **The first "Evening with His Excellency" is Friday, September 10, 2021.** If you are unable to attend in person, you are welcome to go to <https://canadianmartyrshamilton.com/> to watch live. (All COVID 19 protocols will be required, including masks while in the church and proper social distancing.)

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