

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PARISH

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Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1956

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

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

Catholic Women's League

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 30 Ordinary 31	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)	
MONDAY, October 31		No Mass	
TUESDAY, November 1 <i>All Saints</i>	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass ♥ Fr. Donat Gionet	
WEDNESDAY, November 2 Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Holy Cross Parish	
THURSDAY, November 3	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Manuel & Angelina Medeiros	
FRIDAY, November 4	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Dec. Members of the Cosentino & Varricchio Families † Kata Babic † Linda Hamilton † Luis Botelho	
SATURDAY, November 5	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Amavel Baptista; Deceased Members of the Everard Family; Souls in Purgatory; Ivan & Ljubica Babic; Joe Esteireiro; Maria Branco; Deceased Members of the McElroy, Curley & McGlone Families. Intentions of John Wilcox.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Fedora Albert.

From the Pastor's Desk

We hear the story of Zacchaeus in today's gospel, who finds himself climbing a sycamore tree to be able to see Jesus pass by, because he was 'short in stature' and couldn't see him through the crowds. I like to think this story represents those seeking God. The crowd represents all the distractions in our lives, and our pray time is when we make the effort to climb that tree to see past our distractions in order to get a clear view of our Lord. What efforts do we make in our lives to take time out for Jesus, to set our distractions aside to spend time with him in prayer? Let us make that effort. We will never regret making the time we set aside to see him and hear his voice more clearly in our lives.

Sunday Smile

A cat died and went to heaven. God said to the cat, "How are you doing? Is there anything I can get for you?" The cat replied, yes, if I could get a comfortable cushion to sleep on, that would be great." God said, "Consider it done!" The next day, two mice died and went to heaven. God asked the same of the mice, "Is there anything I can get for you?" The mice said, "Yes, the cats are always chasing us. We'd like some

roller skates so it's easier to get away from them." God said, "Consider it done!" Later that day God saw the Cat again and asked, "How is everything? I hope you like the cushion." The cat replied to God, "Everything's perfect! And oh yeah, the 'Meals on Wheels' was a nice touch!"

Cemetery Prayers – Sun, Nov 6th

November is a traditional time to pray for our loved ones that have died, and the Church offers various indulgences to the souls in purgatory during this month when we celebrate the solemnities of All Souls and All Saints. This year we will be offering prayers for the dead at our Georgetown cemeteries on **Sunday**, **Nov 6th**. We will offer prayers on this day at **Greenwood Cemetery at 2:30pm**, and **Holy Redeemer Cemetery at 3:00pm**. Join us in prayer for the faithful departed, and pray for good weather!

Out Of The Cold Program Georgetown

Knox Presbyterian Church will be running an *Out of the Cold* program this winter to give a bed and a warm shelter to those experiencing homelessness in Georgetown, and they need volunteers! Those interested in volunteering, or who

may have more questions, are invited to come out on Wednesday, November 2nd, at 7pm — there will be an information meeting in the Small Hall at Knox Church, 116 Main St., the very space they will be using for the program. They can answer any questions, have any discussions, and hopefully get things moving towards this program getting off the ground.

One "urgent" need that they have is an over/under washer/dryer unit, so that they can clean the bed linens for the folding cots onsite. If you can suggest somewhere they can get such a unit, or who they might contact regarding installing (plumbing, powering, and venting) it, please let them know. For further information you can contact Rev. Steve Boose at revboose@gmail.com or by phone at 905-877-7585.

Health Committee - Memorial Mass

Our Parish Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, November 19th at 2:00 p.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 Katie Jedlinski-Kiss at 905-873-1887, ext. 5.

Extendicare Halton Hills

We are looking for volunteers willing to help with bringing Communion to Extendicare Halton Hills. Visiting is weekly on Tuesday afternoons. If you are willing to help in this important ministry, please contact the office.

Food Drive for the Georgetown Breadbasket

Our local food bank needs our help! The Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus will be facilitating a food drive at Holy Cross in aid of the Georgetown Breadbasket. Bags with an attached list of the most needed items will be given out at each Mass on the weekend of **November 5**-6. Please return the bag to the church with your donated food the following weekend, **November 12-13**.

Homebound Ministry Volunteers

As we begin to get back to our normal parish routines, we're looking for volunteers willing to help with bringing Communion to our homebound parishioners, those in retirement homes, and those in the hospital. If you are willing to help in this important ministry, please contact the office.

Cancer Assistance Service of Halton Hills (CAShh) - Volunteers

Cancer Assistance Services of Halton Hills (CAShh) is looking for Volunteer Drivers to help drive our clients to and from their cancer treatments and appointments. Our clients travel to different hospitals and clinics within the GTA and outside of the GTA (Toronto, Oakville, Mississauga, Hamilton, Brampton). We are in particular need for drivers willing to

drive to downtown Toronto. Drivers are compensated for their mileage by CAShh. If you are interested in joining our wonderful organization and help make a someone's cancer journey just that little bit easier, please contact Wendy Molnar, our Transportation Coordinator at transportation@cancerassistance.org or phone 905-702-8886.

Children's Liturgy Is Back!

We are happy to announce that once again Children's Liturgy is back at our 9:00am and 10:30am Masses. All young children are welcome! We will send them off at the beginning of Mass, and they will return to be with their families at the Offertory.

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!

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 2022. For more information, please contact the parish office.

Become a Catechist ...helping children draw nearer to God

Adult formation in the method of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd immerses you in scripture and liturgy, as well as the religious needs and developmental capacities of the child, through discussion and use of Montessori-style catechetical materials. A course is planned for adults who are interested in, or already involved in caring for the spiritual needs of children in a home, parish or school setting. *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Formation Course, Level 1* Where: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Kitchener When: Part A offered over 6 Saturdays Oct. 29, Nov. 19, Jan. 28, Feb. 11, Mar. 25, Apr. 22 For details and to register please visit www.cgsac.ca/courses-1 or hamiltondiocese.com (under Faith Formation and Liturgy) or see the flyer on the bulletin board.

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