

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 K. Cull, Pastor Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 Noon

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 - Contact Father Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Women's League

Jane Santaluce, President (905) 877-7226

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Leo Santaluce, Grand Knight (905) 877-7226

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 4 Ordinary 27	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Genesis 2.7ab, 15, 18-24; Hebrews 2.9-11; Mark 10.2-16)	
MONDAY, October 5		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m 7:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal
TUESDAY, October 6	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.		CWL Executive Meeting - Marian Room
WEDNESDAY October 7	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY, October 8	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY, October 9	8:30 a.m.	School Faith Day Mass (Joel 1.13-15, 2.1-2; Luke 11.15-26) (I) Catholic Education	
SATURDAY, October 10	10:00 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-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Kevin & Delia Soares; Eduarda Frias & Luis Torres; Andrew Syme; Antonio & Constantina Branco & Agostino & Isabel Faria; Bento Borges; Lucena & Lauro Bumanlag; Antonio Morais Castro	

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

October - Focus on Mary . . . In our Catholic tradition, the months of May and October remind us to deepen our relationship with Mary, the Mother of God and our spiritual mother. I encourage you to grow in your relationship with her by praying the rosary or a decade of the rosary on a daily basis.

Pub Night... The parish social committee is organizing a pub night on Friday, October 16th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Tickets are \$10.00 per person (ages 19+) and may be purchased after any of the Holy Masses this weekend. Only 100 tickets will be sold. Old time fiddle and celtic music will be provided by our very own Dino Arsenault and his sons Joseph and Pierre, known as Dino-P-Joe Sideroad Trio. Members of the Knights of Columbus will barbecue sausage. Beer, wine, pop and water will be available for purchase. Plan to join other parishioners for an enjoyable evening of song and fellowship.

Thanksgiving Day . . . On Monday, October 12th, Holy Mass will be offered at 9:00 a.m. as a way of giving thanks to God for the many blessings we enjoy as individuals, families and as a parish family. Plan to join us for Holy Mass and bring a non-perishable food item any time on the Thanksgiving weekend. All donations will be delivered to the Food Bank.

Annual Retreat... Together with my classmate and dear friend Father Ian Duffy, I will be on retreat this coming week at the Community of Jesus in Orleans, Massachusetts. Given that the Retreat Centre is located in the area of Cape Cod, I am looking forward to a wonderful week of prayer and relaxation. Following our retreat, Father Duffy and I are going to spend about four days in Martha's Vineyard. After maintaining silence for the week-long retreat, we should have much to share! Be assured of a heartfelt remembrance in my prayers during this time. On the weekend of October 3

and 4, I am grateful to Father Dave Walter who will be available for Reconciliation and celebrate the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass and to recently retired Father Phil Sherlock who will celebrate the Sunday morning Holy Masses. Please take a moment to welcome them.

On the Blessing of Pets. . . On Saturday October 10th at 10:00 a.m., a week after the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi, I 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.

On Irving Berlin's WHITE CHRISTMAS... the parish social committee is planning a trip to the Dunfield Theatre in Cambridge to see the musical "White Christmas" on Friday, December 11th at 7:30 p.m. We will be leaving the church parking lot by highway coach at 6:00 p.m. and returning after the performance at approximately 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$60 and are available by contacting the parish office.

9:00 A.M. YOUTH CHOIR

Starting next Monday, October 5th the 9:00 a.m. Youth Choir practices will be from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Please note there is *no practice on Monday, October* 11th as it is Thanksgiving Monday.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

All parishioners are warmly invited to participate in the following activities:

- ▶ *Prayer Shawl* meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Room of the Parish Life Centre.
- ▶ The *Low Impact Exercise* classes run on Monday's at 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 10:10 a.m. at St. John's United Church on Guelph Street. 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.
- ► The monthly *Blood Pressure Clinic* will be conducted after all Masses on Sunday, September 27th..
- ▶ A team of volunteers, including our Parish Nurse, conducts Visitation and/or the Distribution of Holy Communion for parishioners who are hospitalized, in Continuing Care at the Georgetown Hospital, or unable to leave their private homes. Please let Theresa Scholz, our parish nurse, know if your family members or friends would like a visit and/or receive Holy Communion.

If you have any questions or would like a visit from the parish nurse, please contact Theresa at the church office at 905-873-1887, ext. 5 to leave a confidential message.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD - ATRIUM

It's that time of year again. The Holy Cross Catechesis of the Good Shepherd would like to invite all parents with children ages 3 through 12 to register with our program. What is Catechesis of the Good Shepherd? It is a faith based child friendly program based on Maria Montessori style of learning. The child is presented with material and parables from the bible at their level. There are three levels: level 1 ages 3-6, level 2 ages 6-9, level 3 ages 9-12. Ideally the child would spend 3 years in each level there by building their relationship with Jesus through the use of the materials available. There is also a Sacramental preparation component for those children preparing for their Reconciliation and First Holy Communion and for those receiving their Confirmation. The program runs after school from October through May. We begin on Tuesday, October 13th. Level 1 Tuesdays from 4:15 - 5:30 p.m.; Level 2 Wednesdays from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.; and Level 3 on Tuesdays from 5:45 - 7:45 p.m. The fee is \$50 per child for supplies and upkeep of materials. We look forward to nourishing your child with the words of Jesus with the Holy Spirit as our teacher and guide.

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 hundreds of others on Sunday, October 4th 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 Halton Alive for further details at 905-632-3232 or email info@haltonalive.com

BAPTISMS AT HOLY CROSS PARISH

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated with children when at least one parent is a Catholic. Parents and godparents are called to take up the practice of the faith if this has been lacking. You are the "first teachers" of your children in the faith and we pray that you will be the best of teachers! For serious family reasons, permission may be given for Baptism to be celebrated in another Catholic parish, or to celebrate Baptism with families from outside our parish. Arrangements for Baptism can be made before the child is born. We ask new parents to participate in a Baptism Preparation Meeting (generally the first Thursday of each month). It would be fine to participate in this meeting before the child is born. Godparents are welcome to attend the meeting if they are able. A "godparent" is a fully initiated Roman Catholic - meaning that they are baptized, confirmed and regularly practising their Catholic faith. Baptized non-Catholics may act as a Christian Witness along with a Catholic godparent.

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