



Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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*Established as a Parish in the
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 Noon

PARISH STAFF

Father K. Cull, Pastor
Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
Mrs. Barb Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant
Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

SUNDAY MASSES
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m. (October to April)

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

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(905) 877-6928

Saint Brigid School

(905) 877-1779

Saint Catherine School

(905) 702-8001

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 5 <i>Ordinary 27</i>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Isaiah 5.1-7; Philippians 4.6-9; Matthew 21.33-43)	
MONDAY, October 6		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal - All Members
TUESDAY, October 7	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour - CANCELLED	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - CANCELLED	
		No Mass	
	7:30 p.m.		CWL Executive - Sacred Heart Room
WEDNESDAY, October 8		No Mass	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
THURSDAY, October 9		No Mass	
	7:00 p.m.		11am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
FRIDAY, October 10	8:30 a.m.	Faith Day Mass (Galatians 3.6-14; Luke 11.15-26) Intentions of Catholic Education	
SATURDAY, October 11	4 - 4:30 p.m	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Renato Dias; Delia & Kevin Soares; Stella & Mark McCoy; Doug Hartley; Lauro & Lucena Bumanlag; Jason Pacheco; Maria Melo and Deceased Members of the Melo Family	

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttill.

COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection • September 28	\$ 7,906.00
Total number of regular envelopes – 395	
Average envelope donation – \$17.09	
Building Fund	\$ 225.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTIONS	\$ 8,131.00

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

On the commitment to young people...

As I mentioned in the homily this past weekend, we have about 450 young people in grades 7 and 8 in the four parish elementary schools and another 1500 at Christ the King Catholic Secondary School. As a way of reaching out to these young people and encouraging them to worship and make their home with us, I intend to hire a Youth Minister on a part-time basis for about 10 hours per week. This individual, preferably in his or her 20's, would be someone who can engage young people and is committed to loving and serving the Lord. It is my hope that young people would be encouraged to gather on Friday evenings or Sunday afternoons for activities organized by the Youth Minister with the assistance of volunteers from the parish.

On the change of Holy Mass times...

Beginning on the first weekend of Advent (November 29/30) and the start of a new church year, there will be a change in the times for Holy Mass. Weekend Masses will be Saturday at 5:00 p.m., Sunday at 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and Noon. Having celebrated the Sunday 7:00 p.m. Mass from about the middle of October through to the end of April, I observed that attendance remained at a maximum of about 150 people and that this number did not increase. I also observed that we did not attract that many young people at this time. Given the large numbers of people that attend on Sunday morning, I am confident that a Noon Mass will help alleviate some of the overflow and better meet the needs of our growing community than a 7:00 p.m. Mass. At the Noon Mass, young people will be encouraged to participate in the music ministry which will adopt a praise and worship style. It is my hope that the Youth Minister will plan activities so that the young people will gather in the parish hall after the Noon Mass.

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I am especially grateful to the members of the Pastoral Advisory Council for their wholehearted supported of these initiatives. I realize that change is not easy but I strongly believe that we need to make a dedicated effort to welcoming young people and offering them a place where they can gather. What Pope Francis said about the church applies to all our efforts at welcoming young people and every individual into this parish family: "The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel."

On making my annual retreat...

I will be away making my annual retreat this coming week. As a result, Holy Mass will only be offered next Friday at 8:30 a.m. to accommodate the staffs from the 4 parish elementary schools and high school who are having their faith day. Please keep me in your prayers and be assured that you will be remembered in my prayers.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Holy Cross Parish in Georgetown is looking to hire for the position of a part-time caretaker. Preference will be given to persons who have skills in the various trades, including the ability to do minor renovations, plumbing and electrical repairs and general maintenance. The position involves the set up and take down of tables and chairs in the parish hall. This position is geared for someone who is self-directed, motivated and who enjoys a variety of tasks. Interest parties should submit their resume to Holy Cross Parish, 14400 Argyll Road, Georgetown, Ontario, L7G 5S6. Deadline for applications is October 31, 2014.

SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. CHOIR

The 5:00 p.m. Saturday night choir has resumed its weekly practices on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Cecilia Room. New members (vocalists and instrumentalists) are welcome. The ability to read music, although an asset, is not necessary. If you have any questions, please see Gerri Schaljo after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturdays, or contact her at 519-853-4197.

HOLY CROSS 9:00 a.m. YOUTH CHOIR

The 9:00 a.m. Youth Choir would love to have some new members join. We need singers and musicians (guitar/piano). Children who can read, and their parents, are welcome to join this choir. You do not have to read music. Practices are Monday nights from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. in the St. Cecilia Room. We alternate singing on Sundays with All members singing (youth and adults) one Sunday and only the Adult members singing the next Sunday. Therefore practices for the youth are every other Monday. Please contact Marie Simpson at 905-873-9480.

SUNDAY 11:00 A.M. CHOIR

You are invited! Anyone who might be interested in joining the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass Choir is invited to contact Susan Baus at sbaus@cogeco.ca. The choir practices on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Cecilia Room. **Singing Opportunity:** cantors are needed for the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass to sing on an occasional or a regular basis. Full training will be provided.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Calling all youth in grades 7 - 10... Please mark your calendars and join us for our upcoming youth events.

► **October Mustard Seeds Youth Group and Aquire the Fire Youth Event**

We are delighted to be hosting the Mustard Seeds Youth Group from Hanover Ontario again this year. They will be at the parish from Friday October 17th to Sunday October 19th. We invite all youth to join them as they attend the Aquire the Fire Youth Event in Mississauga. The cost for the event is \$59.00 which includes admission for both Friday evening and Saturday. Aquire the Fire is a Christian outreach Youth Event. For more information go to <http://www.acquirethefire.com> Please contact Barb by Monday October 6th if you would like to go to Aquire the Fire. Further details about transportation and permission will be given to those who are interested in going.

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.

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 fellow parishioners and others from the community on **Sunday, October 5th** from 2:30 p.m. -3:30 p.m. at the corner of Maple Avenue & Guelph Street. Arrive a bit early to pick up your sign.

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