



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
Mr. Robert Ramage, Maintenance
Mrs. Barb Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant
Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

SUNDAY EUCHARIST
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m. (Resumes October 20, 2013)

RECONCILIATION
Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Tuesday - 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 Burial at Holy Redeemer Cemetery - Contact Catholic Cemeteries of Hamilton (905) 877-8500.

Catholic Women's League

Mary Jo Jans, President
(905) 873-4151

Prayer Network

Gladys (905) 877-6389
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Mark Rowe, Trustee

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(905) 877-6928

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(905) 632-6300

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Eucharist	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 1 Ordinary 22	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Isaiah 66.18-21; Hebrews 12.5-7, 11-13; Luke 13.22-30)	
MONDAY, September 2		No Mass	
TUESDAY, September 3		No Mass	
WEDNESDAY, September 4		No Mass	
THURSDAY, September 5	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Colossians 1.9-14; Luke 5.1-11) † John & Jeremiah deOlivieria (I) the Mitchell Family	
	7:00 p.m.		11am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
FRIDAY, September 6	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Colossians 1.15-20; Luke 5.33-39) † Barry Page † Maria Borgo Gaetano, Stefano Amela & Maria Savarino (I) Barb Egan (I) Roy Brown	
SATURDAY, September 7	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Robert Ehmann; Valantia & Manuel Botelho; Nina Busuttill; Slavko Romic; Declan McKenna	
This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George & Nina Busuttill and deceased family members.			

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • August 18	\$ 6,962.00
Total number of regular envelopes – 363	
Average envelope donation – \$17.07	
New Church Building Fund	\$ 402.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTIONS	\$ 7,364.00

WELCOME FATHER VARLAKI

We extend a warm welcome to Father Allen Varlaki, associate pastor of Holy Rosary Parish in Milton, who is presiding and preaching at our Masses this weekend.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

This process, through which adults become fully initiated members of our Catholic faith community, will begin again this Fall. If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and the possibility of becoming a Catholic, please contact Father Cull at the Parish Office. The process involves weekly catechetical sessions, Sunday Mass, and the associated Rites. It is open to unbaptized adults, those baptized in other Christian churches, and Catholics who desire to complete their initiation.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

As a new school year is about to begin, I wish to extend a heartfelt welcome to all who are coming home to the parish after the summer break. I look forward together with our sacramental assistant, Barb Boulanger, to visiting with the children in the parish schools on a regular basis. The month of September finds us "hitting the ground running" with a number of groups resuming their meetings and various activities underway.

Please remember that *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* will resume on **Tuesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. beginning September 10th** and that Holy Mass will be offered on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. twice a month in addition to the regularly scheduled 9:00 a.m. Mass offered from Tuesday through Friday.

Over the summer, I have met with the Social Committee and the Pastoral Council and am grateful for their input and support. I marvel at the generous spirit of service that characterizes the many parish volunteers and assure you that you are in my prayers.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League is once again hosting a "Mother & Daughter Tea" on Sunday, September 15th at 12:30 p.m. for all women of the parish. The Guest Speaker will be our Spiritual Advisor, Father Cull. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses on Aug. 31/Sept. 1 and Sept. 7/8. Cost is \$5.00 per person. You are asked to please bring your own fancy tea cup and saucer. There will be tables to seat 8 people and if you wish you may reserve a table for a group of 8. For information please contact Mary Jo (905-873-4151) or Marie (905-873-9480). Please mark your calendars as this sold out last year!

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. Practices commence on Monday, September 9th at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Marie Simpson at 905-873-9480.

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.

PRAYING WITH SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

Come away and pray for awhile . . . All interested women are invited to join the Sisters of St. Joseph at the Motherhouse, 574 Northcliffe Avenue, Hamilton on Saturday, September 28th from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The day will include Mass, spiritual presentation, time for prayer and reflection, and lunch. Suggested contribution is \$20. Please call 905-528-0138 for directions or to register by September 23rd.

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Holy Cross Parish has a new drop off location for donations to Canadian Food For Children. Please deposit all donations into either of the two cabinets in the Narthex (left of front doors when you enter the church). Donations will be picked up and brought to the Canadian Food For Children warehouse in Mississauga. Acceptable items are - new or gently used clothing; flat-soled sturdy shoes, sandals and crocs; hats, scarfs and gloves; linens, blankets, fabric and towels, washcloths; sewing and knitting supplies; candles; school supplies; toiletries (full and travel size); non- electronic household items; plastic grocery bags used to distribute items. For more information on acceptable donations please contact Canadian Food For Children directly at 905-274-9239 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. If your donation is too big to fit in the cabinets please contact the parish office.

PERSONS SEPARATED AND DIVORCED

LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1) is a ten week support program starting Tuesday, September 17th (7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.) at the Chancery Office, 700 King Street West, Hamilton. The program is for persons experiencing difficulties as a result of a separation or divorce. For more information, please contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 Cost:\$35 Past participants are encouraged to inquire about further Levels programs starting the same week.


KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS

Come join us to find the Keys to Loving Relationships. "Keys" is a ten week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. starting September 19th, at the Chancery Office, 700 King Street West, Hamilton. The cost is \$45. For more information please call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM

The Foundations for Ministry Program is a course designed to offer lay Catholics the opportunity to learn more about the foundations of our Catholic faith: Church history, scripture, morality, sacraments and prayer. This foundation is useful to parishioners who serve in a variety of ministries. The course will be offered in Hamilton and Waterloo starting in September 2013. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, 2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information and for registration forms.

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