



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PARISH

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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

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905-877-1779

Saint Catherine School
905-702-8001

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 11 <i>Ordinary 24</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, September 12		No Mass	
TUESDAY, September 13	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Nish Clarke	
WEDNESDAY, September 14 <i>The Exhaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Donna Burke	
THURSDAY, September 15	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Barbara MacKay	
FRIDAY, September 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Deceased Members of the Lynas & Ennett Families † Immacolata Varricchio † Marianna Galati † Miguel Vieira † Deceased Members of the Vincek Family	
SATURDAY, September 17	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Amilia & Eugenio Paiva; Bob Smith; Andrew Kelly; Dean Veneruz; Kimberly Faria; James Kavanagh.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of James Kavanagh.

From the Pastor's Desk

We hear today the parable of the Good Shepherd. It's the familiar story of the shepherd leaving 99 sheep behind to go after and save the 1 that has stayed. That doesn't make sense. Most of us would cut our losses with the 1 sheep that was lost, and double down our efforts to protect the remaining 99 so they don't stray also. But the story shows the depth of God's love for us – even if it was just one person that needed to be brought back the fold, he doesn't give up. Our Lord is always drawing us to himself no matter how far we may have stayed from him. Let's never tire of listening for his voice. He hasn't given up on us. Let's not give up on ourselves.

Sunday Smile

A father was at the beach with his children when the 4 year son ran up to him, grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore where a seagull lay dead in the sand. "Daddy, what happened to him?" the son asked. "He died and went to Heaven," the Dad replied. The boy thought a moment and then said, "Did God throw him back down?"

The 12:00pm Sunday Mass

The 12:00pm Sunday Mass resumes this weekend! We're always looking for new volunteers at that Mass to help as Ushers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. Let Fr. Dave know if you're able to help out!

Choirs Looking for Voices!

Can you sing (or at least try to sing)? All of our choirs are looking for new members! If you're interested in sharing your musical gifts, let us know and we'll connect you to the choir at your preferred Mass.

Parish Feast Day – The Exaltation of the Cross - Sep 14th

This coming Wednesday is our parish feast day! Join us at the 9am Mass to celebrate. My God continue to abundantly bless all of us at Holy Cross!

Sanctuary Lamp

You may wish to donate the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a deceased loved one. Please contact the parish office for further details.

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.

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.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2022 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

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.

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 Dave at the Parish Office. The process involves a weekly commitment to

one hour sessions and participation at Sunday Mass. It is open to unbaptized adults, those baptized in other Christian Churches, and Catholics who desire to complete their initiation.

Evenings with His Excellency

Evenings with His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, continue this fall at St. Ann’s Parish, Ancaster. Class is the second Friday of each month, beginning September 9th at 7:00 p.m. For more information, visit St. Ann’s Parish website: <https://stannparish.ca/>

Hamilton Diocese Marian Days 2022

Join brothers and sisters from around the Diocese in honouring Our Blessed Lady for the last Marian Day of the year with Bishop Crosby on October 1, 2022 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. Join us for confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Holy Mass with Bishop Crosby at 10:00 am, the Solemn Crowning of Our Lady with Rosary at 11:00 a.m., and The Queen’s Tea at 12:00 p.m., honouring the crowning of the image of our Lady. Cost for lunch is \$20.00 payable at the door. Call the Basilica to reserve your spot: (519) 824-3951.

Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person’s presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. Find out more on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support>, or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Halton Alive Gala

Come support the pro-life work of Halton Alive at our annual fundraising Gala and Silent Auction! We hope you will join us for an evening of food, fellowship, and fun! **Date:** Friday, October 21, 2022 **Time:** Doors open at 6pm **Tickets:** \$53.75 (*sold at cost!) **Location:** St. Joseph Banquet & Conference Centre, 300 River Oaks Blvd., Oakville **RSVP:** haltonalive.com/gala 905-632-3232 or info@haltonalive.com

2023 Weddings

Couples planning to marry in 2023 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.

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