

# 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 David Wynen, Pastor Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary Mr. Robert Ramage, Maintenance Mrs. Barbara Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant

Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse

## SUMMER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

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 David Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Women's League Mary Jo Jans, President (905) 873-4151

Knights of Columbus Peter McKenna, Grand Knight (905) 873-1785 **Prayer Network** Gladys (905) 877-6389 Cecile (905) 873-4055

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#### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Eucharist	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 2 Ordinary 22	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish	
MONDAY, September 3 Labour Day		No Mass	
TUESDAY, September 4	8:30 a.m. (Time change)	Daily Mass (1 Corinthians 2.1-5; Luke 4.16-30) (I) Catholic Education	
WEDNESDAY, September 5	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Corinthians 3.1-9; Luke 4.38-44) † John & Jeremiah Fendley	
	7:00 p.m.		5 pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
THURSDAY, September 6	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Corinthians 3.18-23; Lk 5.1-11) † Barry Page	
	10:00 a.m.		Health & Wellness Ctee - Sacred Heart Rm
	7:00 p.m.		Baptism Preparation - Cote Hall
	7:00 p.m.		CWL Executive Meeting - Sacred Heart Rm
	7:00 p.m.		11 am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Room
FRIDAY, September 7	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Corinthians 4.1-5; Luke 5.33-39) † Valerie Koscak † Gordon Lane (I) Isabel Domingos	
SATURDAY September 8	4 - 4:30 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Poppy Iliev; Patrick McGrinder; Marianna Fera & deceased family members; Jane Giffen; Mary Leona Clancy and Dennis Patrick Clancy; Bill Finnigan	

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George Sebalj

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • August 19 \$ 6,977.00

Total number of regular envelopes — 392 Average envelope donation — \$15.64

New Church Building Fund 720.00 TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION \$ 7,697.00

Thank you for your generosity to our parish community.

#### DAILY MASS TIMES

Please note that the time of Daily Mass is Tuesday -Friday at 9:00 a.m. We will also offer 7:00 p.m. Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month before the General Meetings of the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League Council meetings respectively. The weekly bulletin will note any exceptions to the daily Mass times. Join us on September 4<sup>th</sup> at **8:30 a.m.** as we celebrate the Eucharist with our Catholic teachers and school staffs.

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Over the past 6 years we have tried different times to offer parishioners an opportunity to spend a holy hour in adoration of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. For the coming year we will happily offer this time on Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Once each month the holy hour will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Join us Tuesdays for this time of quiet prayer and contemplation.

#### **HYMN BOOKS**

We are missing several copies of our Catholic Book of Worship III hymnals from the pews. If you have a copy at home please return it to the church. Thank you.

#### **UPDATED MASS RESPONSES**

Please note the "new" Mass responses (since November 2011) in the front cover the CBW III and in the Celebrate and Song books in your pews.

#### SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

With the start of the new school year on Wednesday, parents of children in Grade 2 (1st Communion) or Grade 7/8 (Confirmation) can register for the Sacraments now by visiting our parish website <a href="www.holycrossrc.com">www.holycrossrc.com</a> and follow the appropriate link. The registration deadline for Confirmation (Grade 7 & 8) is **September 26th**; for 1st Communion (Grade 2) is **October 31st**. Don't delay ... you'll want to have your first choice of dates.

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

The Catholic Women's League is hosting a **"Mother & Daughter Tea"** on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. The Guest Speaker will be Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry, Diocese of Hamilton. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses on September 1/2 and September 8/9. The 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 at 905-873-4151.

#### 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 & musicians (Guitar/Piano). Children who can read words, and their parents, are welcome to join this choir. You do not have to read music. Practices are Monday nights from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. in the St. Cecilia Room. We all sing (youth & adults) one Sunday and the Adult members sing the other Sunday. Therefore practices for the youth are every other Monday. Practices commence on Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. For information please contact Marie Simpson at 905-873-9480.

#### MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

We conclude a series in this week's bulletin on Catholic teaching about marriage. The text is from the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (© 2008 COLF) which is co-sponsored by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

#### So do all marriages go through difficult times?

No one should naively assume that the journey of marriage will be easy. All marriages go through difficult times, especially when couples must face changes in themselves and their circumstances. A marriage is thus as much a journey of faith and trust, as it is of love. Couples should resolve to keep forgiving and communicating with each other, and to keep working with each other through the new situations in which they find themselves.

The journey of marriage thus involves constantly letting go of the past to embrace the future: it is a journey into the truth of who one is, the truth of who one's spouse is, the truth of who one's children (and extended family) are, the truth of who God is. Christians should recognise in their journey the Easter pattern of death and resurrection, and the mystery of Jesus Christ in their lives. Just as Jesus died and rose to new life, so the expectations and routine of one stage in a marriage may

need to die, if the marriage is to be re-born at a new depth. Indeed, many couples find that it is only when they have reached a point of weakness or failure in their marriage, that they can truly surrender to God's grace and the renewal of their marriage in ways they could never have imagined.

A life-long commitment will always be tested. To reach old age in company with one's spouse, family and friends, is a unique joy that can only be known by those who have persevered through difficult times. This is the joy the Church wants married couples to experience, and this is why the Church strives to uphold and support marriage and families in every way it can.

"The intimate community of life and love which constitutes the married state has been established by the Creator and endowed by him with its own prayer laws ... God himself is the author of marriage. The vocation of marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator ... God who created man out of love also calls him to love - the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1603 - 1604)

#### **PARISH LOTTERY**

Our parish lottery (in support of Holy Cross HELPS, the work of CWL, and our Parish Building Fund) will be held at the *Fall Fiesta* on Saturday, October 13. Tickets are available for sale at \$25.00 each or a book for \$100. There are four generous cash prizes. Please buy your ticket or sell some tickets in support of the lottery. If you have outstanding tickets & proceeds please return to the parish office.

#### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Please find attached to this bulletin our September calendar of parish meetings & events. You will also find the names of priests and religious communities for each day (except Sundays). You are invited to offer a prayer for these daily intentions and to pray for vocations to the ordained priesthood and consecrated religious life.

September marks the start of our "pastoral year" in the parish. Next Sunday's bulletin insert will outline our plans for the coming year. We would like to highlight these events in the month of September:

**PARISH FEAST DAY** - *Friday, September* 14 is the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross and our parish's patronal feast. Join us for Mass that day at 7:00 p.m. Monsignor Murray Kroetsch the Vicar General and Chancellor of the Diocese (and former associate here) will preside and preach at Mass.

MASS WITH THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK - *Saturday, September* 22 at 2:00 p.m. Parishioners who are in long-term care facilities or are homebound will gather with Bishop Ustrzycki for this special celebration of Mass and the Sacrament of the Sick.

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