

# 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
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Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance
Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse
Ms. Rachael de Souza, Youth Minister

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* - Contact Father Cull or visit the Diocesan Vocations website www.HamiltonVocations.com

## Catholic Women's League

Jane Santaluce, President 905-877-7226

## **Knights of Columbus**Jim McDonald, Grand Knight

905-873-2519

## Holy Cross Youth Group hcgeorgetownyouth@gmail.com

**Prayer Network** 

Chris 905-877-0462 Frans 905-877-6369

## Christ the King Secondary (05-702-8838

**Holy Cross School** 905-877-4451

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#### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 24 Ordinary 25	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Sirach 27.30 - 28.7; Romans 14.7-9; Matthew 18.21-35)	
MONDAY, September 25		No Mass	
TUESDAY, September 26	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.		9am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm
WEDNESDAY September 27	9:00 a.m.	No Mass	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia Rm
THURSDAY, September 28	9:00 a.m.	No Mass	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30am Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
FRIDAY, September 29	9:00 a.m.	No Mass	
	7:00 p.m		Youth Group (Gr.9-12) - Cote Hall
SATURDAY, September 30	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Robert O'Gorman; Adelaide Silva & Antonio Frias; Maria & Jack Barbosa; Katarina Zilavec; Joe Esteireiro; Frank Mario Mancini; Joe & Fatima Domingos & Gloria Almeida. Intentions of Krystyna Buchwald.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Evelyn Brannigan.

#### MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

I will be on retreat next week. Please keep me in your prayers.

#### **COFFEE SUNDAY**

On the last weekend of each month, we offer the opportunity to gather in the parish hall after each of the Holy Masses for coffee and other refreshments. This is a wonderful time to connect with other parishioners. This Sunday will also be *Welcome/Information/Sign-up Sunday* — a number of tables will be set up in the hall by the many groups and organizations that build up the life of this community. I encourage you to prayerfully consider becoming more involved in the parish. We will also have *Religious Articles* and *Fair Trade* products for sale as well as our monthly *Blood Pressure Clinic*. Please plan to join us.

#### HAVE YOU MOVED RECENTLY?

If you have moved or changed telephone numbers in the past few months, kindly let us know at the parish office so we can update our records.

#### **HOLY CROSS H.E.L.P.S.**

Members of Holy Cross HELPS will be at the doors of the church after all Masses this weekend to accept your donation towards their corporal works of mercy in the community. The August collection was \$1,475.00 and we responded to 18 calls for food assistance. On behalf of those in need in our community, we pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for your generosity.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thank you to all of our parishioners who helped the Knights of Columbus with their largest Fall Fair undertaking to date. Your assistance at the gates and the beer tent made Holy Cross Parish an integral part of this year's Fall Fair success.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Youth Ministry Volunteers Needed for Core Team - We are looking for men and women who are excited about their faith, want to grow deeper in their relationship with Christ, and who have a heart for young people! If interested, please contact our youth minister Rachael at: <a href="https://hccent/

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word has resumed on Sundays at the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses.

#### **SUNDAY 9:00 AM CHOIR**

Welcome back to another year of music ministry at Holy Cross Parish! Please be aware that there has been a change to the direction and membership of the 9:00 a.m. Sunday choir. If you would like to join this new choir, please fell free to introduce yourself after 9:00 Mass, to contact the parish office, or to contact Michael Harrison (416) 706-3415. Choir practices will be on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Song styles will be a mixture of modern and traditional styles. No prior experience necessary. All are welcome!

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating your 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 35<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 45<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 55<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup> + anniversary of marriage in the Catholic Church in 2017? Join us on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> for the 5:00 p.m. Mass when we honour our anniversary couples. A light reception will follow in the parish hall. Kindly contact the parish office to register.

#### LOW IMPACT EXERCISE

All parishioners are warmly invited to participate in the *Low Impact Exercise* classes that are held at St. John's United Church on Guelph Street. Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 10:10 a.m. 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. Contact Theresa Scholz at extension #5 for further information.

#### **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 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.

#### 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 2017. Space is limited. For more information, please contact the parish office.

#### RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL

Parents of children enrolled in <u>Public</u> or <u>Private</u> schools are invited to enroll them in our parish's religious instruction program. The lessons are homebased 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.

#### **BADMINTON ANYONE?**

Any parents and kids in grade 6 and up are invited to join a leisure badminton night on Fridays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ethel Gardiner Public School. Starts September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Cost for the school year is \$85 per person. Contact Patrick at 416-464-8392 or email <a href="mailto:patrick@pbinternetsolutions.com">patrick@pbinternetsolutions.com</a> Nets and birdies are provided. Limited space available.

#### **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 us on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Tony Smyth at 647-401-1617 or Dino Arsenault at 647-239-9174

#### **BLESSING OF PETS**

On Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m., the Saturday after the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi, Father Cull 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.

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