



# HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PARISH

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday 12 Noon ~ 4:00 p.m.  
Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 Noon

## PARISH STAFF

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**SUNDAY MASSES**  
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.  
& 12:00 noon\*\*  
(\*\*Please note Mass time changes)

**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](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

### Catholic Women's League

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905-877-1176  
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416-505-4354

### Prayer Network

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### Saint Francis School

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905-702-8838

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905-877-4451

### Saint Catherine School

905-702-8001

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 27 Ordinary 26	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Ezekiel 18.25-28; Philippians 2.1-11; Matthew 21.28-32) <i>(ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)</i>	
MONDAY, September 28	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Job 1.6-22; Luke 9.46-50) (I) Special Intentions of Peter	
TUESDAY, September 29	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Revelation 12.7-12a; John 1.47-51) † Theresa Scholz	
WEDNESDAY, September 30	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Job 9.1-12, 14-16; Luke 9.57-62) (I) Tony & Louise Hurley & Family - 70 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary	
THURSDAY, October 1	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Job 19.21-27; Luke 10.1-12) † John Mathai	
FRIDAY, October 2	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Exodus 23.20-23a; Matthew 18.1-5, 10) † Mike Graziani † Kata Babic † Michael Maloney † Souls in Purgatory	
SATURDAY, October 3	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	Cote Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Candida Azevedo; Stephen Lappin; George & Nina Busuttill; Maria do Carmo Medeiros; Giancinta Bartolomeo Vallecoccia; Patrick McCarthy.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Pat & Paula Canavan.

### From the Pastor's Desk

Thanks to now having the help of Fr. Hayden, I was able to sneak away this week for a few days of retreat. As I write this message, I'm sitting on the dock of a friend's cottage, and everything is so peaceful as I look out over the lake. It is quite the contrast from my daily concerns and worries, and it really has given me some time to reflect on my relationship with God, and what is truly important. I write this to once again 'preach' about the importance of taking some time away for God – even if it's only 10 minutes a day – to be silent, to pray, and most importantly, to listen to the Lord speaking to our hearts. I write this as much for myself as I do for you, as I know how much I need the constant reminder to spend time with God – to deepen that relationship with Him, to gain perspective in uncertain times, and to find peace and joy for my soul.

Have a good week everyone! – Fr. Dave

### Online Sunday Mass Now Available on Youtube

Until last week, you were able to view parish Facebook page without having a Facebook account. It seems that Facebook has changed the rules, and now requires you to have an account to view content on their platform. So, for those of you without Facebook accounts, we will start posting our content to Youtube in addition to Facebook. Our Youtube channel

doesn't have an easy link, so it's best to follow the link from our parish website, or search 'Holy Cross Parish Georgetown' in the Youtube search box to find us. We of course will continue on Facebook as well at: [www.facebook.com/HCParishGeorgetown](http://www.facebook.com/HCParishGeorgetown)

### Bulletins

Please note that we will NOT be publishing a paper bulletin for the duration of the pandemic to avoid unnecessary touch points. It will still be published online weekly, and pertinent information will be on our website, as well as our Facebook and Twitter feeds. If you would like the bulletin to be emailed to you each week, send an email to [holycrossgeorgetown@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossgeorgetown@gmail.com) requesting to be placed on the weekly mailing list.

### Wearing of Face Masks and Social Distancing Protocols

As time draws on, we have noticed that we are starting to get a bit complacent with the protocols. Just be reminded that face masks are required to be worn indoors at the church, **with the mask covering both your nose and your mouth.** Let's also keep in mind the 6ft distance, and sanitizing of our hands as we enter and exit. As long as we stay vigilant, we should stay safe!

**Pet Blessing – Saturday, October 3 at 10:00 a.m.**

In honour of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi (Oct 4<sup>th</sup>), we will be offering a blessing of pets at 10:00 a.m. outside the main doors of the church. Bring your pets for this special blessing, and if our neighbourhood foxes make an appearance, we'll bless them too!

**Volunteers Needed – Ushers and Cleaners**

With added Masses comes more work – but that's a good problem to have! We can always use help with ushering and cleaning at all Masses, and if you are an early bird and plan to attend the 7:30 a.m. we can definitely use your help! If you are available to offer your services this fall as a volunteer in one or both of these capacities, please send Fr. Dave an email at [dwalter@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:dwalter@hamiltondiocese.com) Many hands make light work!

**New Weekday Mass Time for Mondays!**

Now that we have the luxury of having 2 priests we are able to start offering more ministry! A **Monday 9:00 a.m.** morning Mass has begun at the parish. Holy Cross will now have a Mass every day of the week!

As well, with the added weekday Mass, if you are still nervous about Sunday crowds you may wish to consider joining us during the week where there is lots of room to spread out!

**Holy Cross HELPS**

Holy Cross HELPS would like to thank parishioners for their continued generous support during the pandemic. While members are unable to make calls to clients at this time they are still supporting the local food bank with monthly contributions.

**Parish Office Hours**

The parish office is open with limited office hours. We will be open for in person visits on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Voice messages and emails are still being checked regularly. We will respond to any inquiries you may have as soon as they are received.

**Lunch Hour Supervisors Needed**

Lunch Hour Supervisors are needed for the 2020-2021 school year. This is a one hour per day paid position with duties that include supervising students while they eat lunch in their classrooms, and during outdoor recess time. Interested applicants must have completed a Criminal Reference Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening that has been dated within the last 6 months.

**St. Francis of Assisi 12:10 - 1:10 p.m. daily**- contact Ms. Cheryl Nieuwendyk, school secretary, at 905-877-6928 for more information

**St. Catherine of Alexandria 12:05 - 1:05 p.m. daily** - contact Mr. Monaco ([monacov@hcdsb.org](mailto:monacov@hcdsb.org)) or Mr. Albani ([albanit@hcdsb.org](mailto:albanit@hcdsb.org))

**10:30 a.m. Choir – Instrumentalist**

We are still looking for an instrumentalist to assist with our 10:30 a.m. choir. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Dave.

**Life Chain**

Please join us for our 32nd annual Life Chain on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a peaceful, prayerful, silent pro-life witness for the unborn in our community. Join thousands of pro-lifers across North America as we make a one hour visual statement of solidarity to end abortion and honour the lives of over 54 million children lost to abortion. Stand for those without a voice! Meet at Fairview & Maple St. in Burlington from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**The Gathering**

Do you believe in the power of prayer? Does your heart ache for the unborn and those considering abortion? Join us at The Gathering as we pray over the issue of abortion and euthanasia, for the unborn, and for our Nation's leaders. Let's refocus on the power of prayer to change our culture. Saturday, October 3rd, 2020 from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. St. George's 4691 Palladium Way, Burlington or participate from home via Zoom (registration is required). Please visit us online at [www.haltonalive.ca/thegathering](http://www.haltonalive.ca/thegathering) or contact Tawnya Status at 905-632-3232 for Covid related restrictions.

**Halton Alive Gala-In-A-Box** October 16, 2020

This year the Gala comes to you! Your Gala-in-a-box is assembled with care & filled with fun items to create an at-home Gala experience. Join us for the live, virtual event featuring your favourite silent auction, candy raffle, prizes, entertainment and more. Order your Gala-in-a-Box for individuals \$50 or couples \$75. Proceeds support the work and mission of Halton Alive in the local community. Visit [www.haltonalive.ca/gala](http://www.haltonalive.ca/gala) or call 905-632-3232 for more 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 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.

**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.



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