



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PARISH

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*Established as a Parish in the
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

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**
(*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

Catholic Women's League
Leslie Rutherford, President
905-877-1176
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416-505-4354

Knights of Columbus
Michael Simpson, Grand Knight
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Katie 416-433-4324

Christ the King Secondary
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905-877-6928

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905-877-1779

Saint Catherine School
905-702-8001

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 4 Ordinary 23	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (ONLINE at 6:00 a.m.)	12:00 noon Mass until September 11, 2022.
MONDAY, September 5		No Mass	
TUESDAY, September 6	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour - CANCELLED	
	6:00-6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - CANCELLED	
	7:00 p.m.	NO MASS	
WEDNESDAY, September 7	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
THURSDAY, September 8	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
FRIDAY, September 9	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Linda Hamilton ✠ Gerry Van Klink (I) Corina Sibley & Family (I) Mary Hughes	
SATURDAY, September 10	4:00-4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Joanne Daquano; Bento Borges; Candida Azevedo; Drew Kelly; Mario Mazzorato; Maria Branco; Marilyn Major.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners.

From the Pastor's Desk

Today's gospel features a challenging teaching from Jesus. He says, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." When we dig deeper, scripture scholars tell us that this difficult teaching wasn't meant to divide families, but to get our attention - to make clear that *God always comes first*. And although *hate* is a strong word, it does bring home quite clearly that discipleship does mean that Christ asks us to be 'all in', and if a choice ever emerges that pits us between God and family, or God and other things we hold dear in this life, the choice will always *need to be God*. The hierarchy of love always has to be *God, Others, then Self*, but when we do love God above all else, we soon learn that loving others and self flows naturally, and everything falls into its proper place.

Sunday Smile

A man took his 8-year old daughter to the office on "Take Your Kid To Work Day." When they walked in the office she started to cry. As concerned staff gathered around the father asked her what was wrong and she said, "Daddy where are all the clowns you said you worked with?"

No Weekday Masses September 6th, 7th, and 8th

Each year the priests of the Diocese of Hamilton gather for a 3-day seminar for a time of professional development, fraternity, and prayer together. This year the seminar is scheduled for September 6th, 7th, and 8th, therefore there will be NO MASSES on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday this coming week. The next weekday Mass will be Friday morning at 8:00am (not a typo – see next announcement). The church will be open each morning however for private prayer.

Friday, September 9th – Mass at 8:00am

Due to other responsibilities that Fr. Dave has been asked to take on in the Diocese, there will occasionally be times when weekday Masses need to be rescheduled. Please note that the Mass on Friday, September 9th will be at 8:00am. There will be no 9:00am Mass that day. Sorry for the inconvenience!

The 12:00pm Sunday Mass

The 12:00pm Sunday Mass will return after Labour Day starting on Sunday, September 11, 2022. 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!

Fraudulent Email Warning

Just a reminder that Fr. Dave will never send you an email with a vague request for help and will certainly never request that you send him gift cards or cryptocurrency. Sadly, there are fraudsters out there that create fake email addresses to impersonate priests, and then send emails to parishioners that appear to be from the priest. Please disregard any such messages and report them to your email provider so that they will shut down these fraudulent email accounts. In Gmail for instance, there is an option to 'Report Phishing' – if you choose that option in the Settings area of Gmail, the address will be reported.

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.

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.

Holy Cross HELPS Donations

Holy Cross HELPS is still going about their important work of helping those in need in our community and are still gratefully accepting donations. If you wish to contribute to their good work, simply drop an envelope marked 'Holy Cross HELPS' into the offering box or in the locked mailbox outside the office door. Be sure to mark your name and address or envelope number on the envelope. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

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.

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.

Dr. Simone – Canadian Food for Children

We have resumed collections for Dr. Simone's Mississauga Warehouse. Please remember to wash and fold your clothing and bedding donations. If you have any questions about what is acceptable, please contact the warehouse directly at 905-275-9239 or visit their website www.canadianfoodforchildren.net

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

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