

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

Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary

Mrs. Barb Boulanger, Sacramental Assistant

Mr. Dino Arsenault, Maintenance Mrs. Theresa Scholz, Parish Nurse SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.

(12:00 Noon Mass Resumes in September)

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.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Women's League

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 6 Ordinary 23	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Joshua 24.1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ephesians 4.32-5.1-2, 21-32; John 6.53, 60-69)	
MONDAY, September 7		No Mass	
TUESDAY, September 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (Romans 8.28-30; Matthew 1.1-16, 18-23) (I) the Rutherford Family	
	7:30 p.m.		KofC General Meeting - Cote Hall
	7:30 p.m.		CWL Executive - Sacred Heart Rm
WEDNESDAY September 9	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Colossians 3.1-11; Luke 6.20-26) (I) the Murray Family	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal - St. Cecilia
THURSDAY, September 10	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (Colossians 3.12-17; Luke 6.27-38) Deceased Members of the Cabral-Raposo Family	
FRIDAY, September 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (1 Timothy 1.1-2, 12-14; Luke 6.39-42) † Bill Milliere † Bill Buck (I) In thanksgiving to St. Anthony	
	10:00 a.m. <u>at school</u>	Holy Cross School Mass (Philippians 2.5-11; John 3.14-17) † John Stone	
SATURDAY, September 12	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Delia & Kevin Soares; John & Antonina Medeiros; Jose Machado Galvao; Elizabeth Pierce; Clarence Moulton; Hugh MacDonald; Mabel Moore. Int. of Mr. & Mrs. Forestieri - 50 th Wedding Anniversary	

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

The wonderfully warm weather this past week reminds us that summer has not yet come to an end. With the beginning of a new school year this week, we "pick up the pace" as so many of the parish activities and groups resume. I look forward to reconnecting with the students, staff and administration of the four parish elementary schools and Christ the King Secondary School. Given the calmer pace of the past two months, I was blessed to have received many invitations from parishioners to join them for a meal and sometimes as swim as well. I am most grateful for the hospitality that was offered.

From about the middle of June through to the middle of August the parish Social Committee organized some

events that served to build up the life of the community. Despite being rained upon during the parish picnic and not being able to use Cedarvale Park, the flexibility of the many volunteers still allowed us to come together and celebrate in Cote Hall. The two busloads of parishioners that attended the Blue Jays Game at the end of July were treated to a win...perhaps this set the stage for the continued success that the Blue Jays are currently enjoying? The busload that attended a performance of the "Music Man" in Drayton a few weeks ago enjoyed a wonderful lunch and show. Stay tuned for details about an outing to Cambridge this December to see a performance of "White Christmas."

I wish to offer a heartfelt note of thanks to the team of volunteer gardeners who have outdone themselves in beautifying the grounds around the church. Just last weekend a parishioner had a compliment for the work being done and to my great joy said: "it just feels so welcoming!" I am also very grateful to the members of our four choirs who provided music ministry on a rotational basis over the summer. This weekend we return to our regular schedule of four Holy Masses.

Next weekend we celebrate the parish feast day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The focus of this feast is Christ's resurrection and His triumph over death. As we give thanks and praise to God for the many blessings He bestows on us as a parish family, we highlight the celebration by lighting the four dedication candles.

Finally, please know that I feel extraordinary blessed to serve here at Holy Cross Parish. Whether greeting you at the door or welcoming you at the beginning of Holy Mass, I have much love in my heart for you. Whether you are a long-time parishioner or have recently moved into the parish, I extend a heartfelt welcome! I have previously quoted the following from Pope Francis from *The Joy of the Gospel* but I think it bears repeating: "The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel."

With my love and prayers, Father Cull

PARISH WINE TOUR & TASTING - September 26th

We wish to invite you to join your fellow parishioners for a wonderful day of touring & tasting at three notable Niagara-On-The-Lake wineries Saturday, September 26. We will depart the Church parking lot via coach at 8:30 a.m. and plan to have you back at approximately 5:30 p.m. Come learn about the wine and history of these distinguished wineries as we tour their beautiful grounds and enjoy tasting their remarkable wines. Cost is \$45 per person and lunch will be available for purchase at the second winery. Space is limited to 55 persons, so be sure to get your tickets early. Tickets are available for purchase in the Narthex following all Masses this weekend. For more information, please contact Daryll Hillier at 905-873-0262.

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.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Welcome Back! The CWL General Meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 15th following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. We will be collecting Pasta at our September and October General Meetings for the Georgetown Bread Basket. We hope to see you all there.

5PM CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for the Saturday 5 p.m. choir will resume on Wednesday, September 9 at 7 p.m. in the St. Cecilia Room. This all-ages choir utilizes both traditional and contemporary music, in SATB, SAB, and unison format. The ability to read music, although an asset, is not necessary. New members, both vocalists and instrumentalists (piano, guitar, flute) are always welcome. For more information, please speak with any choir member after the 5 p.m. Mass, or contact Gerri Schaljo, at gerri.schaljo@sympatico.ca.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

All parishioners are warmly invited to participate in the following activities:

The first *Prayer Shawl* meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 15th at 2:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Room of the Parish Life Centre.

The *Low Impact Exercise* classes will start on Thursday, September 17th at 10:10 a.m. at St. John's United Church on Guelph Street. 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.

The monthly *Blood Pressure Clinic* will be conducted at Holy Cross Church on Sunday, September 27th after each Mass.

A team of volunteers, including our Parish Nurse, conducts Visitation and/or the Distribution of Holy Communion for parishioners who are hospitalized, in Continuing Care at the Georgetown Hospital, or unable to leave their private homes. Please let Theresa Scholz, our parish nurse, know if your family members or friends would like a visit and/or receive Holy Communion.

If you have any questions or would like a visit from the parish nurse, please contact Theresa at the church office at 905-873-1887, ext. 5 to leave a confidential message.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The family of Geraldine Barnes would like to extend an invitation for a celebration of her birthday. Please drop in for light refreshments at the Georgetown Library on Sunday September 6th (downstairs) between 1:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Good wishes only.

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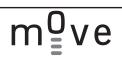
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