



Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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*Established as a Parish in the
Diocese of Hamilton in 1956*

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 Noon

PARISH STAFF

Father K. Cull, Pastor
Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
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

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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(905) 877-7226

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Leo Santaluce, Grand Knight
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Saint Brigid School

(905) 877-1779

Saint Catherine School

(905) 702-8001

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 27 Ordinary 26	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Sunday Mass - (I) Holy Cross Parish (Numbers 11.25-29; James 5.1-6; Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48)	
MONDAY, September 28		No Mass	
	6:30 p.m.		9am Choir Rehearsal
TUESDAY, September 29 <i>St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael, archangels</i>	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour - <i>CANCELLED</i>	
	6 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - <i>CANCELLED</i>	
	7:00 p.m.	NO MASS	
	7:30 p.m.		KofC Executive Meeting - St. Joseph
WEDNESDAY September 30	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
	7:00 p.m.		5pm Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY, October 1	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
	7:00 p.m.		10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 p.m.		Baptism Prep - Cote Hall
FRIDAY, October 2	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS	
SATURDAY, October 3	4 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: George & Nina Busuttill; Isabelle Passi; Keith Pollock; Peter Hrkac. Intentions of Linda Smith</i>	
This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of George Coyle.			

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CULL

Welcome/Information/Sign-Up 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. When you enter the hall this weekend, you will notice a recently installed projector mounted from the ceiling and a new screen. To highlight some of the many ways that we celebrate as a parish family, a series of photos will scroll through on the screen. I have already used the projector and screen for parent meetings in preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation and look forward to using this equipment on many more occasions. You will also notice in the hall a number of tables set up 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. The one area of particular emphasis this year for the Pastoral Advisory Council is the importance of faith formation for adults and small groups. My hope is that we can offer a number of opportunities for adults to come

together to share and deepen their faith. Over the course of this year, I hope to introduce groups for men, women, bible study, and perhaps even a book club. Stay tuned for more details...

Parish Website and the Use of Social Media . . . As of this weekend, the parish website has been completely updated. I am grateful to Lori McCabe for all her support and assistance. The website will reflect the consistent message that is shared with all who gather here - the message that all are welcome! Through the use of photos and social media, I want the website to reflect that we are a vibrant community of faith and that we enjoy gathering together as a parish family both to pray and celebrate together. One particular part of the website is dedicated to young people and the various events and activities being offered for them. I have recently reactivated my twitter account and am enjoying the opportunity to tweet to my heart's content! While the primary goal is to encourage everyone to follow the Lord of love and goodness, I invite you to follow me as well on twitter (@FrCull).

Annual Retreat . . . Together with my classmate and dear friend Father Ian Duffy, I will be on retreat this coming week at the Community of Jesus in Orleans, Massachusetts. Given that the Retreat Centre is located in the area of Cape Cod, I am looking forward to a wonderful week of prayer and relaxation. Following our retreat, Father Duffy and I are going to spend about four days in Martha's Vineyard. After maintaining silence for the week-long retreat, we should have much to share! Be assured of a heartfelt remembrance in my prayers during this time. On the weekend of October 3 and 4, I am grateful to Father Dave Walter who will be available for Reconciliation and celebrate the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass and to recently retired Father Phil Sherlock who will celebrate the Sunday morning Holy Masses. Please take a moment to welcome them.

On the Blessing of Pets. . . On Saturday October 10th at 10:00 a.m., a week after the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi, I 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.

On Irving Berlin's WHITE CHRISTMAS . . . the parish social committee is planning a trip to the Dunfield Theatre in Cambridge to see the musical "White Christmas" on Friday, December 11th at 7:30 p.m. We will be leaving the church parking lot at by highway coach at 6:00 p.m. and returning after the performance at approximately 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$60 and will be sold starting September 26/27 at Coffee Sunday.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

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

- ▶ *Prayer Shawl* meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Room of the Parish Life Centre.
- ▶ The *Low Impact Exercise* classes run on Monday's at 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays 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 after all Masses on Sunday, September 27th.
- ▶ 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.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD - ATRIUM

It's that time of year again. The Holy Cross Catechesis of the Good Shepherd would like to invite all parents with children ages 3 through 12 to register with our program. What is Catechesis of the Good Shepherd? It is a faith based child friendly program based on Maria Montessori style of learning. The child is presented with material and parables from the bible at their level. There are three levels: level 1 ages 3-6, level 2 ages 6-9, level 3 ages 9-12. Ideally the child would spend 3 years in each level there by building their relationship with Jesus through the use of the materials available. There is also a Sacramental preparation component for those children preparing for their Reconciliation and First Holy Communion and for those receiving their Confirmation. The program runs after school from October through May. We begin on Tuesday, October 13th. Level 1 Tuesdays from 4:15 - 5:30 p.m.; Level 2 Wednesdays from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.; and Level 3 on Tuesdays from 5:45 - 7:45 p.m. The fee is \$50 per child for supplies and upkeep of materials. We look forward to nourishing your child with the words of Jesus with the Holy Spirit as our teacher and guide.

RESPECT LIFE BANQUET & AUCTION

Tickets are still available, reserve your seat now! Halton Alive's Respect Life Banquet & Auction is Friday, October 2nd at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Banquet Centre in Oakville. Silent Auction opens at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$75 each. Visit our website www.haltonalive.com for more information or call our office at 905-632-3232.

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 hundreds of others on Sunday, October 4th 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 Halton Alive for further details at 905-632-3232 or email info@haltonalive.com

GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

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