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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

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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

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905-877-4451

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905-877-1779

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905-702-8001

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 (CONFESSON)

Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Saturday 9:00 a.m.
(Bulletin has weekly schedule of Masses)

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, February 15 Ordinary 6	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (<i>ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.</i>)	
MONDAY, February 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † In thanksgiving to St. Anthony	
TUESDAY, February 17	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Joao Batista	
ASH WEDNESDAY, February 18	9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.	Mass with Distribution of Ashes	
Thursday, February 19	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Steve Posavec	
FRIDAY, February 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Thomas Musicco † Steve Major † Austin Elson † Dora Juraic (I) Marcy McGregor	
SATURDAY, February 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Alda Pereira	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the First Sunday of Lent <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Anton Skok; Donald McDonald; Larry Edward Lobsinger; Natalie Crosby; Ryan Lawrence; Virginio Sousa; Dario Medina.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Rita Barnard.

From the Pastor's Desk

Jesus tells us He has come not to abolish the Law, but to fulfill it. He moves us beyond outward observance and into the deeper work of the heart. It is not enough to avoid wrongdoing; we are called to root out anger, lust, dishonesty, and anything that divides us from God and one another. Christ invites us to integrity - a life where our words and actions flow from a heart transformed by grace. In anticipation of Lent which begins this Wednesday, may we ask the Lord to help us go deeper, allowing his love to shape us from the inside out.

Quote of the Week

"Love the truth sincerely to attain that peace and harmony on which depends all real prosperity." — St. John XXIII

Sunday Smile

I always thought orthopedic shoes were overrated, but I stand corrected.

Ash Wednesday - Feb 18th

This week we begin the Lenten season with Ash Wednesday. We will celebrate 2 Masses on Ash Wednesday at 9:00am and 7:00pm. Join us as we begin our solemn Lenten journey.

Friday Lenten Evenings of Prayer

On the Fridays of Lent, we will be offering an extra

opportunity to spend some dedicated time with our Lord. Each Friday will consist of:

6:00pm - 6:45pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

6:00pm - 6:45pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation

7:00pm: Stations of the Cross

Join us this Friday, February 20th as we begin our Lenten Evenings of Prayer, continuing each Friday during the Lenten season.

Out of the Cold Georgetown

Operating out of Knox Presbyterian Church in Georgetown, the Out of the Cold program provides a warm bed and meal during the winter months for those experiencing homelessness in our community. The program is currently seeking volunteers to assist with serving their guests, particularly needing help with overnight shifts. If you are interested in helping, or would like more information, you can visit their website at <https://knoxgeorgetown.com/ootc>, or email them at outofthecoldgeorgetown@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy Leaders Needed!

We are in need of more leaders for our Sunday 9:00am and 10:30am Children's Liturgy groups. If you are interested in volunteering as a Children's Liturgy leader, please contact the parish office to start the Volunteer Screening process.

CWL News

The CWL General Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 17th, after the 7:00 pm Mass, in Cote Hall. Any ladies in the parish who are interested in learning more about the League are invited to attend.

Blood Pressure Clinic

Our Parish Nurse Candidate (Katie Kiss, RN) and other nurses from the parish will be holding a Blood Pressure Clinic after all Sunday Masses on **February 22**. If you are an RN or RPN and would be willing to help with any of our Blood Pressure Clinics, please contact Katie at 416-433-4324.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 31, 2026** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance.) Registration can be found under Upcoming Events on the home page at www.hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life is an international campaign of prayer, outreach and fasting designed to change hearts and minds about abortion and euthanasia, starting on February 18th until March 29, 2026. We stand in silent vigil with signs, one block east of the Oakville hospital on the corner of Dundas Street W at Proudfoot Trail/Sweetwater Gate between the hours of 6am to 6pm. Volunteers are needed to help cover the 12 hours per day prayer vigil which allows us to bear witness to thousands of people who drive past, who will see that help is available, and every life matters! For more information, and to sign up for a one hour of prayer timeslot, visit www.40DaysForLife.com/Oakville or call Steve Germann at 905-333-6472. You CAN make a difference - take action and help save lives in our community!

HELPS Thank You!

Holy Cross HELPS would like to thank the Holy Cross Young Adults group (HCYA) for their generous donation to HELPS for their corporal works of mercy in the community. We pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for the generous donation from the proceeds of the HCYA Euchre Tournament.

Youth Pilgrimage Bake Sale

Support our Conquest and Challenge youth as they prepare for a pilgrimage to Rome in July 2026! A bake sale will be held after all masses Feb 14 and 15, with baked goods available for purchase in the narthex. Donations of home-baked goods

are greatly appreciated and may be dropped off in the parish hall before the 5:00pm Mass and before the 9:00am Mass. The youth making this pilgrimage are extremely grateful for your continued support and prayers. Thank you for helping them on this faith-filled journey!

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Congenital Heart Disease Awareness

According to Heart & Stroke Canada, congenital heart disease (CHD) is a heart condition present at birth. CHD can range from very minor conditions that never cause problems to more serious conditions that require medical treatment. It occurs when the heart's chambers, walls, valves, or the blood vessels near the heart don't develop normally before birth. It is important to know that the outlook for children with CHD has improved thanks to medical advances in Canada and around the world. Many adults with CHD can avoid or manage complications and enjoy a better quality of life through improved care and management. Today, 9 out of 10 children with congenital heart disease survive to adulthood. For more information, visit www.heartandstroke.ca

When Life Changes Grief Program

Using Dr. Bill Webster's grief material these programs are intended to help you to understand your grief and provide practical tips and support for helping you through. Both part one and two will be offered at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West, Hamilton. All are welcome. To register look for the program start date under Upcoming Events on the Diocesan home page at www.hamiltondiocese.com or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Part One – When Life Changes will be offered on Wednesday afternoons from February 18- March 25 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm.

Part Two – The Ongoing Journey (for those who have previously completed Part One) is offered on Wednesday evenings from April 8 - May 13 from 7:00-8:30pm.

Hamilton Mission Youth Appeal

After all Masses on February 28 and March 1, teens from our Hamilton Mission Youth group will share about their upcoming missions trip to Montreal. During their March Break, these young people will spend the week feeding the homeless, serving in a shelter, assisting at a local parish and participating in community outreach (all while sleeping on the floor in a church basement) as they live out their faith through service. They are grateful for the prayers, encouragement and donations from our parish family as they prepare for this mission. Please keep them in your prayers and take a moment to learn more about how God is working through our youth.

2025 Tax Receipts will be available for pick up in the Narthex on February 21/22.

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