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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

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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

Monday 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Saturday 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

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905-702-8001

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, January 11 Baptism of the Lord	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish (ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)	
MONDAY, January 12	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Maria Branco	
TUESDAY, January 13	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Milka Kozel Juraic	
WEDNESDAY, January 14	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Jim Igoe	
Thursday, January 15	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Harry Ellis	
FRIDAY, January 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Katica Babic † Holy Souls (I) Fr. Will (I) Viktoria Widz	
SATURDAY, January 17	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Jose Caciano	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Mary Stone; Anton Skok; Manny DeSousa; Marie Carr; Ferdinando Gigliotti; Roman Mazul; Donald McDonald; Giovanni Romanet; Silvio, Henry & Flora Aguilar. Intentions of Patricia McCarthy.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Flora Aguilar and Marcelo Savino.

From the Pastor's Desk

At the Jordan River, Jesus steps into the waters not because He needs repentance, but to stand fully with us. In His baptism, the heavens open, the Spirit descends, and the Father's voice proclaims, "You are my beloved Son." This moment reveals who Jesus is—and who we are called to be in Him. Through our own baptism, we are claimed as beloved children of God, washed clean, and sent on mission. The Baptism of the Lord reminds us that faith is not only something we receive, but something we live. As the Christmas season draws to a close, we are invited to remember our baptismal promises and to go forth, confident that the same Spirit who rested upon Christ walks with us each day.

Quote of the Week

"The Lord was baptized by a servant, so that His humility might be commended and our pride cured." — *St. Augustine*

Sunday Smile

Shovels remain the most groundbreaking invention ever.

Adult Faith Study Resumes this Week

A reminder to all participants in the Foundations of Faith Catechism Study: we resume our weekly sessions this Thursday, January 8th, at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

Prayer Shawl Meeting

The Prayer Shawl group will meet in the Sacred Heart Room on Tuesday, January 13th from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. New members are always welcome. Light Refreshments.

HCYA Euchre Tournament

Holy Cross Young Adults (HCYA) will be hosting a Euchre Tournament on Saturday January 31, from 1:00-3:30 pm in Cote Hall at Holy Cross Parish. This event will be to raise money for Holy Cross HELPS. Tickets are \$20 per person, which will be sold at Sunday Masses leading up to this event and at the door day of. Individuals and/or teams can sign up. Any individuals will be paired with a partner at the door. Progression in the tournament will be tracked by the number of points won at the end of each game. All are invited, there will be a prize for the winners. Finger foods will be provided. Best of luck to all!

Sunday (Novalis) Missals

2026 Sunday Missals will be available for purchase after all Masses this weekend. The Knights of Columbus sell the Missals for \$5 each. The Sunday Missal is useful for reflecting on the Scripture readings before Mass. Your 2025 Missals can be left with the Knights for disposal.

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2026

Boxed sets of 2026 envelopes are available for pick up in the Narthex. If you are not currently an envelope user and would like to start please contact the parish office. Also, *pre-authorized giving* forms for 2026 are available in the Narthex - please return them promptly. If you would like to learn more about this way of supporting the parish please contact the office.

Toonies for Turkeys

WOW! This year's *Toonies for Turkeys* weekend collection for the Georgetown Food Basket exceeded all expectations, raising **\$2,382.60**. In keeping with our past practice, the Knights of Columbus will round the total to an even amount, **\$2,500.00** and presented a cheque on behalf of Holy Cross Parish to the Food Basket this week. Thank you to everyone who donated and volunteered to help make this year's campaign such a great success.

Rosary Repairs

Do you have a broken rosary lying around that you're not sure what to do with? Well, there's good news! We have a parishioner that has the skills and tools to repair rosaries, and is more than happy to do so for you! There is a box in the narthex titled 'Rosary Repairs' – simply take an envelope from the box to insert the broken rosary, write your name and contact information on it and we will let you know when it's fixed and ready to pick up.

Hospital Stays

For your information - Due to privacy laws, the hospital does not provide us with a list of Catholic patients as was the practice in the past, even if you give them information about your religious affiliation when admitted. This is just a reminder that if you find yourself or a loved one in the hospital and wish to have a visit from Father, please contact the office so we don't miss you! If it is an emergency, ask a nurse to contact the on-call priest.

NEW! Saturday Good Shepherd Atrium

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (also known as "the Atrium") is a parish-based ministry at Holy Cross Parish. It is open to all children between the ages of 3 – 13, offering them a unique opportunity for faith development. This program, founded in Rome, is a soundly traditional method of allowing children to enter more fully into the mystery of God using the principles of Montessori education. The sessions provide presentations, materials and a sacred space where the children can grow in their personal relationship with God, as it is first proclaimed to them through Jesus, the Good Shepherd. ***The next session is Sat, Jan 17 from 9:00-10:30am. For further information please contact the parish office.***

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 January 25. If you are an RN or RPN and would be willing to help, please contact Katie at 416-433-4324.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Blood Donation Awareness

Canadian Blood Services manages the national supply of blood and blood products, which can be affected by weather, holidays, and unexpected emergencies. Giving blood can save someone's life. But for a donor, the experience can be deeply rewarding and validating. It's about more than just giving a part of yourself to someone else; together, we're saving each other. "Experience what you get when you give, today." Blood and blood products are a critical part of everyday medical care, including major surgeries, medical procedures, cancer treatments, and managing diseases and disorders. As a donor, you form a vital link in Canada's lifeline, helping many Canadians wake up healthy each day. For more information or to book an appointment to donate, visit www.blood.ca/en

Healthcare Services through one number 1-844-806-3093

The Connected Care Halton Ontario Health Team Navigation Line connects community members directly to the right health, social, and community supports, all through one number. It offers a simplified, human-centered way to navigate services that can otherwise feel overwhelming. People can call for support with palliative care, mental health and addictions, senior services, caregiver support, disability services, cold/flu/COVID questions, and more. Callers are guided to the most appropriate next step, whether that's a warm transfer to the right support line, a health or social service program, or a community resource. This Navigation Line was created to reduce barriers, enhance patient experience, and ensure timely access to the right care when it matters most.

Health Questions or Clinical Advice – call 811

Health811 is a free, confidential, 24/7 provincial service offering quick access to health advice from registered nurses, evidence-based health information, and referrals to community services.

Residents can use Health811 to:

1. Speak with a nurse any time of day for non-emergency guidance
2. Get help determining whether to visit a doctor, urgent care, or emergency department
3. Access multilingual support
4. Learn about symptoms, medications, chronic conditions, mental health concerns, and more
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