



# 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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## 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](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

## Catholic Women's League

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## Knights of Columbus

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## Prayer Network

Katie 416-433-4324

## Christ the King Secondary

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## Holy Cross School

905-877-4451

## Saint Francis School

905-877-6928

## Saint Brigid School

905-877-1779

## Saint Catherine School

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)

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, January 18 Ordinary 2	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 19	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Luis Carlos Page	
TUESDAY, January 20	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Carol Ann Bennett	
WEDNESDAY, January 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Maria Araujo	
Thursday, January 22	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) In thanksgiving	
FRIDAY, January 23	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Vito Brancatella † Marciano Elmido † Marilyn Major (I) Barb Lavoie (I) Corina Sibley (I) Arthur Larracey	
SATURDAY, January 24	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † George Sebalj	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Third in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Herb & Nina Borda; Anthony Flanagan; Frank Tirano; Luis Botelho; Dario Medina; Joao Batista; Hermano Almeida. Intentions of Gord Mackenzie; Intentions of Paul & Michelle Medeiros.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of Rene Larocque.

### **From the Pastor's Desk**

John the Baptist points to Jesus and proclaims, "Behold, the Lamb of God." In these few words, the heart of the Gospel is revealed. Jesus is not only the one who comes after John, but the one who takes away the sin of the world. He is the Lamb offered for our salvation, gentle yet powerful, humble yet victorious. John's role is clear: to witness, not to draw attention to himself, but to lead others to Christ. He recognizes Jesus because the Spirit descends and remains upon Him. This is no passing moment—God abides with His Son, and through Him, with us. This passage invites us to do the same as John: to point beyond ourselves and bear witness to Jesus in our words and actions. Each time we echo "Lamb of God" at Mass, we are reminded that Christ stands among us, offering mercy, healing, and new life to all who come to Him.

### **Quote of the Week**

"Unfurl the sails and let God steer us where he will." — *St. Bede the Venerable*

### **Sunday Smile**

RIP, boiled water. You will be mist.

### **CWL General Meeting**

The CWL General Council Meeting for January has been cancelled, due to illness. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 17th in Cote Hall.'

### **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!

### **Coffee Sunday**

Saturday & Sunday, January 24/25 is Coffee Sunday. Please join us in the parish hall after all Sunday Masses for refreshments and fellowship. This month's Coffee Sunday is hosted by Holy Cross Young Adults Group.

### **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.

### **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!

### **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, Feb 7 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**

### **Mental Health Awareness**

The 16<sup>th</sup> annual **Bell Let's Talk Day** is **January 21**, a day dedicated to mental health awareness, acceptance, and action. The 2026 theme, "taking a moment for mental health", encourages everyone to prioritize mental health and give mental health the moment it deserves – whether by caring for your own mental health, reaching out to support others, or recognizing the societal importance of mental health through learning and listening. For more information, visit <https://letstalk.bell.ca>. The **Sanctuary Mental Health Ministries** equips faith communities to support mental health and well-being through resources that meaningfully engage the topics of faith and mental health. Their tools help raise awareness, reduce stigma, and promote mental well-being. They offer an 8-session course for Catholics on the realities of mental health and illness, as well as a Youth Series for ages 11-15. Each session includes compelling films featuring the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with insights from archbishops, theologians, and psychologists. Learn more at [www.sanctuarymentalhealth.org](http://www.sanctuarymentalhealth.org), log in with [hchealthandwellness7@gmail.com](mailto:hchealthandwellness7@gmail.com), and password HCSanctuary

### **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.

### **Have You Moved Recently?**

If you have moved or changed telephone numbers in the past few months, kindly let us know at the parish office so we can update our records.

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