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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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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

Catholic Women's League

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905-877-1779

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, May 11 Easter 4	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, May 12	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Aurelio Viola	
TUESDAY, May 13	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Art Harris	
WEDNESDAY, May 14	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Christa Fuller Williams	
THURSDAY, May 15	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Luis Botelho	
FRIDAY, May 16	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Maria Bukovcan † Adolfo Jimenez † Allison Kosnick † Gerry White & Norma Morton † Ryan Lawrence † Holly Van Ravens (I) Rob & Chris Fines	
SATURDAY, May 17	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Jean Falzon	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fifth Sunday of Easter <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Teresa & Waclaw Burza; Anton Skok; Ljubica Babic; Ed Brewer; Souls in Purgatory; Janos Janossy; Maria Pupo Albano; Joseph Sequeira.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of R. Staynor.

From the Pastor's Desk

We have in our short gospel today Jesus speaking about the intimate relationship between Himself and His followers. He says, "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me." This verse highlights the deep trust and connection between Jesus and His disciples, likening it to the bond between a shepherd and his sheep. Jesus emphasizes the security of this relationship by assuring that no one can snatch His followers out of His hand or the Father's hand. It reflects not only the care and guidance Jesus offers but also the unshakable assurance of salvation for those who belong to Him. The concluding statement, "I and the Father are one," affirms His divine identity and unity with God, which reinforces the authority and security behind His promises.

Quote of the Week

"I have an ever deeper and firmer belief that nothing is merely an accident when seen in the light of God." — St. Teresa Benedicto of the Cross

Sunday Smile

I sent my hearing aids in for repair 2 months ago. I've heard nothing since.

A Prayer for Mother's Day - Happy Mother's Day!

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of our mothers. We are grateful for their love, sacrifice, and unwavering support. We pray for them today, and every day, that you would bless them with strength, health, and peace. May they find joy in their children and in the love that surrounds them. May they continue to be a source of strength and guidance for us in imitation of our Blessed Heavenly Mother, Mary. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Seminarian Intern - Mr. Joseph Mendonca

We welcome Mr. Joseph Mendonca to the parish this week! Joseph is a seminarian studying at St. Peter's Seminary in London, and will be serving his Pastoral Year of seminarian formation here at Holy Cross. We look forward to having him with us for the coming year during this important time of formation for the priesthood as he experiences the ins-and-outs of parish life. You will meet Joseph and have an opportunity to welcome him next weekend!

VBS – Vacation Bible School - TRUE NORTH!

Your little ones will love this fun and faith-filled **Northern Adventure** where they will build friendships and experience **Trusting Jesus in a Wild World!** This half-day camp is for children entering **Senior Kindergarten to Gr. 4** in the fall and will run **Mon. Aug. 11 to Fri. Aug. 15 from 9 am to 12 pm** at Holy Cross Parish: contact the parish office. Space is limited...Don't miss out!

Prayer Shawl Meeting

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

Mother's Day Food Drive - Thank You!

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's League, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to the Georgetown Food Basket initiative. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to collect \$1,535 in cash and cheques, along with 4,000 pounds of grocery goods. Your support helps make a meaningful difference to those in need within our community. A big thank you to Les Otto and HeyRay for providing the bin to expedite the collection and delivery.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

– **Last Chance to Register!** Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 1, 2025** 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 by calling Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Level 1 Formation

ABOUT THE SPIRITUALITY OF CHILDHOOD Holy Rosary Parish in Guelph is hosting the first of a two-part Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level One Formation Course July 7-12, 2025. This retreat-like experience immerses the adult in scripture, liturgy, theology, prayer, the needs and capacities of children, and making materials the child works with to internalize the Christian message. Catechists formed in this method usually go on to work with 3–6-year-olds in a parish or school, or are involved in ministries such as RCIA, Children's Liturgy of the Word, and preparation for the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. Register by June 1st. For more information: www.cgsac.ca/Courses/LevelOne or contact the course registrar: therese.wright8591@gmail.com

CWL & KofC Bursaries

The Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus will each be awarding one (1) bursary in the amount of \$1000 to a graduating student (one female, one male) at Christ the King Secondary School. Notification of the bursary will be sent to the school's guidance counsellor. Applications will be made available on-line by a link to the Holy Cross Church website and hard copies will be available at the Holy Cross office. Applications are to be returned in hard copy form to Holy Cross Church office by mail or in person by May 19, 2025.

CWL Prayer Intention Box

The CWL has purchased a Prayer Intention Box for the parish. It is outside the sacristy. Please feel free to put in your prayer requests. On Marian feast days the prayer box will be placed in the Church.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

May is Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month

The impact of melanoma and skin cancer is more than skin deep. According to Melanoma Canada, melanoma is one of the few cancers on the rise, affecting people regardless of sex, age, or race. Skin cancer is the abnormal growth of skin cells that can develop on skin exposed to the sun or tanning beds. Among the different types, melanoma is the most dangerous and potentially deadly, as it can metastasize (spread) to other parts of the body. Unlike most other cancers, melanoma can be seen on the skin. Checking the skin monthly is key to early detection and improving survival rates. Non-melanoma skin cancer typically grows slowly. If left untreated, it can invade tissues below the skin and spread throughout the body. Most cases of skin cancer are preventable. The key to prevention is minimizing exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation, which comes from the sun and artificial sources such as tanning beds. Taking simple, proactive steps – like applying sunscreen, seeking shade, and avoiding tanning beds – can significantly reduce the risk of developing skin cancer. For more information, visit www.melanomacanada.ca or www.cancer.ca

HCCF Charity Golf Classic - Tuesday, July 8, 2025

Join us as we tee off to make a difference! **Date:** Tuesday July 8th **Location:** Granite Ridge CC, Milton **Early Bird Deadline:** June 4th **Includes:** Golf, Cart, Driving Range & Practice Facilities, Dinner, Contests & Beer/Snack Tastings. **Why Join Us?** Every dollar raised helps remove financial barriers for HCDSB students — ensuring they can access food, clothing, school trips, and other necessities. Your support truly **changes lives**. Golf with friends; Win great prizes; Enjoy delicious meals; Make a real impact. **Register your foursome or sponsor today:** www.hccf.ca/charity-golf-classic/ Spots fill quickly — don't miss out on this meaningful and memorable day! Thank you for supporting HCCF and the students who count on us. If you aren't available to take part, consider making a donation. Just follow the **Make a Donation** link on the registration page and put "Golf Classic" in the Additional Comments!

Halton Alive - Walk for Life

Join Halton Alive on Sat, May 31 for the annual Walk for Life — a 5k walk to honour the 100,000 unborn lives lost to abortion each year and support life-affirming outreach in our community. Enjoy a family-friendly morning filled with purpose, connection, and a delicious BBQ to follow! Burlington Christian Fellowship, 2054 Mountainside Dr. - 9:30am. Can't attend in person? Walk in your own neighbourhood with friends! Register for free at www.haltonalive.ca/w4l and start fundraising. Every step makes a difference!

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