

## 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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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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#### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, May 4 Easter 3	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 5	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Maria Branco	
TUESDAY, May 6	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Marguerite Hulme	
WEDNESDAY , May 7	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Steve Posavec	
THURSDAY, May 8	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass 🕆 Gilda Medeiros	
FRIDAY, May 9	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass  † Ana Faria † Alyssa Johnston † Walter Lesniewski † Doug Gregory (I) Angela Cirne	
SATURDAY, May 10	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass 🕆 Zenaida Salvador	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Fourth Sunday of Easter  Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Nellie Stoyles;  Kim Faria; Maria dosAnjos Correia; Sylvia Murphy; Francis &  Cecilia Zuzarte; Jose de Melo. Intentions of Anita McNamara.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Janie & Joe Caciano.

#### From the Pastor's Desk

Our gospel today tells the account of the risen Jesus appearing to his disciples by the Sea of Galilee, an appearance that ultimately would be a moment of restoration and calling. Significantly, Jesus restores Peter, who had denied Him three times before the crucifixion. By asking Peter three times, "Do you love me?" and then commissioning him to "feed my sheep," Jesus offers grace and reinstates Peter's role as a leader. This passage emphasizes forgiveness, the call to discipleship, and the transforming power of Christ's love. It encourages us to respond to Jesus not just with belief, but with active love and obedience.

#### **Quote of the Week**

"Don't lose heart if it is your lot to work much and gather little. If you considered what one soul alone costs Jesus, you would never complain." — St. Padre Pio

#### **Sunday Smile**

I have a fear of the speed bump on my street. But, I'm slowly getting over it.

#### Bible Study - A Biblical Walk with Mary

We will begin our next bible study this May with an 8-week series entitled, 'Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother', beginning on Wed, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. It will be a great opportunity to learn more about our Catholic teachings on Mary, and to go deeper on the biblical roots of our Marian theology. Please sign-up on the list in the narthex, or by emailing Fr. Dave at dwalter@hamiltondiocese.com. The workbooks will be \$40, or you can purchase the resources electronically from Ascension Press for \$5.95US at:

https://ascensionpress.com/collections/mary-abiblical-walk-with-the-blessed-mother

#### 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 hall. **REGISTRATION** will be after all Masses at Coffee/Timbits **Sunday, April 27** or contact the parish office. Space is limited...Don't miss out!

#### **Mother's Day Food Drive**

The CWL and Knights of Columbus of the parish will be running a Mother's Day Food Drive to support the Georgetown Breadbasket Foodbank. Bags will be delivered to the foodbank following the Masses this Sunday, May 4. Monetary donations will also be graciously accepted (cheques made out to the Georgetown Breadbasket). Be generous if you can to help those in need in our community.

#### **GFORCe3 Fundraiser**

Saturday, May 10 from 8am-10:30am at Norval United Church, 14015 Danby Road. Rise and Shine breakfast awaits! Grab and Go or Sit and Eat. Coffee, Tea, Orange Juice, Breakfast Sandwich, Breakfast Pastry. Good will donation supporting our refugee family.

#### **Found/Returned Watch**

Did you loose a watch several years ago? We have had a watch returned to the parish and are trying to locate the owner. Contact the office at 905-873-1887.

#### Pilgrimage to France in October 2025

You are invited to take part in a Pilgrimage to the shrines of France from October 27<sup>th</sup> to November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Fr. Carlos Diaz will lead the pilgrimage highlighting Lourdes, Ars, Chartres, St. Michel, Lisieux, and Paris. For more information you can contact Liz Dachuk at Connaissance Travel and Tours: lizdachuk@connaissancetravel.com or 416-291-2676, x 239

#### **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 si 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 and Wellness Committee Invitation**

The Health and Wellness Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30am at Holy Cross Parish. New members are always welcome! If you are interested, please contact Linda Motz at <a href="mailto:linda.m.motz@gmail.com">linda.m.motz@gmail.com</a>

#### **HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE**

#### May 7 is National Child & Youth Mental Health Day

FamilySmart started May 7 to spark meaningful conversations about youth mental health and to show that small moments of care and connection can have a lasting impact. National Child & Youth Mental Health Day is about creating meaningful connections between young people and the caring adults in their lives. Even the smallest moments—checking in, listening, or simply showing up—can have a lasting impact on a child's mental health. "I Care About You" is at the heart of May 7, reminding us that through conversations, support, and everyday actions, we can help young people feel seen, heard, and valued. For online events, tools, and more information, visit www.may7icare.ca

The Sanctuary Mental Health Ministries offers a **Youth Series** for students 11-15 years of age. These sessions are accompanied by compelling films that feature the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with the insights of archbishops, theologians, and psychologists. For more information visit <a href="https://portal.sanctuarymentalhealth.org/the-sanctuary-thouth-series">https://portal.sanctuarymentalhealth.org/the-sanctuary-thouth-series</a>, login with <a href="https://portal.sanctuarymentalhealth.org/the-sanctuary-thouth-series">https://portal.sanctuarymentalhealth.org/the-sanctuary-thouth-series</a>)

#### **Life Team - Halton Alive**

Halton Alive, our local pro-life advocacy organization invites those interested to join their Parish Life Teams. Parish Life Teams commit themselves to creating an awareness and building the Culture of Life in their church community. If you are interested in joining our Life Team here at Holy Cross, please contact Marilaura Wall at <a href="mailto:wallmarilaura@gmail.com">wallmarilaura@gmail.com</a>

#### March for Life:

Ottawa - Thurs, May 8 from 12-1pm - Parliament Hill, Ottawa Note for Ottawa - Bus - the Knights of Columbus at St. Dominic's in Oakville have a bus leaving St. Dominic's at 6:30 am and returning approximately 9 pm. If you are interested: Cost is \$10 Commitment fee per person. First Come First Serve. Bring your own lunch. Contact Knight Charles Thomas at 416-997-2786 chathomas@deloitte.ca to reserve your seat(s).

**Toronto** - Sat, May 10 from 10:30-11:30am - 1 Queen's Park Crescent East, Toronto

#### Walk for Life:

Saturday, May 31 from 9:00am - 12:30pm - 2054 Mountainside Drive, Burlington

#### **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.

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