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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

Catholic Women's League

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905-702-8001

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 26 Ordinary 30	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.)	
45956	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Ken McIntyre	
45957	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Jean Falzon	
WEDNESDAY October 29	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Hugh Queenan	
45959	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Barbara Carey & Pat Melvin	
FRIDAY, October 31	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Bruno Praturlon ✠ Ronnie Ross ✠ Marcello & Valeria Polzoni ✠ Ben, Jean & Tony Benito (I) Rob & Chris Fines	
SATURDAY, November 1 <i>All Saints</i>	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) For the conversion of our prodigal children	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Deceased Members of the Varrichio & Cosentino Families; Ivan & Ljubica Babic; Amavel Baptista; Deceased of the Lynas & Ennett Families; Kevin Cachia; George Sebalj; Maureen Kenny; David Rose; Sonia Khamissi.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of the deceased members of Hausegger Family.

From the Pastor's Desk

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector. The Pharisee stands tall, listing all his good deeds and comparing himself favorably to others. The tax collector, on the other hand, stands at a distance, unable even to lift his eyes to heaven. He simply prays, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." Jesus reminds us that it is not our status, reputation, or outward piety that brings us close to God—but humility of heart. True prayer begins when we recognize our need for God's mercy. When we stop justifying ourselves and start relying on God's grace, we open the door for His healing love to lift us up.

Quote of the Week

"Be wise, my soul, and trust in God alone; cling to God and cast your cares on Him alone." — *St. Robert Bellarmine*

Sunday Smile

My friend handed me two kayak paddles and asked, "which one do you want?" I said, "I'll take either oar."

Missionary Appeal Next Weekend

This weekend we welcome Fr. Stephen Gilbert to preach this year's mission appeal on behalf of his home Diocese of Quilon in Kerala, India. Fr. Stephen is currently serving in our Diocese

as pastor of St. John the Evangelist parish in Arthur with mission churches in Kenilworth and Palmerston. Welcome Fr. Stephen!

Cemetery Prayers - All Souls Day, Sun. November 2nd

It is tradition to offer prayers for our deceased loved ones in a particular way each year during the month of November, and an indulgence for the souls in purgatory is granted when we pray in a cemetery. On All Souls Day, Sun, Nov 2nd, join us at 2:00pm for prayers at Greenwood Cemetery, and at 2:30pm for prayers at Holy Redeemer Cemetery. We'll be there, rain or shine!

Fall Ministry Fair and Coffee Sunday - October 25 & 26

This weekend is our Fall Ministry Fair and Coffee Sunday after all Masses in Cote Hall. Take some time in fellowship and at the same time see what our Parish has to offer. Consider how you can share your time, talent, and treasure with your Holy Cross Parish Community and sign up at one of our Ministry tables. Looking forward to seeing you there!

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 **October 26**. 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.

Holy Cross H.E.L.P.S.

Members of Holy Cross HELPS will be at the doors of the church after all Masses this weekend, October 25/26 to accept your donation towards their corporal works of mercy in the community. On behalf of those in need in our community, we pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for your generosity.

KofC and CWL Christmas Social

The Knights of Columbus and the Holy Cross Catholic Women's League will be hosting their third annual Parish Christmas Social on the evening of Saturday, November 29. Tickets are \$40 and are available in the Narthex after weekend Masses or by contacting Joe Crane 647-232-6630 or Joan Ryder at 647-624-7313. *Come out and enjoy an evening with good friends.*

Community Unity Halton Hills Fall Yard Clean Up

Community Unity Halton Hills is having their annual Fall Yard Clean Up on Saturday, November 8th from 8:30am-12 noon. We need your help! Not only is this an opportunity to volunteer in raking leaves for homes of those in need (due to age, health or circumstance) it is also a chance to make new friends. The day begins at Georgetown Christian Reformed Church (11611 Trafalgar Rd.) And ends at Knox Church for a BBQ and fellowship (12pm-1pm). Everyone is welcome. Please email Celia Stokoe at holycrosscuhh@gmail.com to sign up. Tell your friends and neighbours as we work together as Christians to help those in our community.

Vocations Dance – November 7th - Mount Mary Ancaster

Father Mark Morley invites the young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend a Regency period dance for dating couples and singles who are discerning the vocation of sacramental marriage on Friday, November 7th at Mount Mary Retreat Centre (437 Wilson St. E., Ancaster) starting at 7:00pm. The evening includes a talk, dance instruction, and hors d'oeuvres. Cost: \$20 per person. Online registration required by Monday, November 3rd. Space is limited. No tickets at the door. For registration and more details, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/> For inquiries, contact the Vocations Office: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

A Walk with Jesus Retreat Day for Grieving Parents

The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging and never truly leaves us. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us as we welcome Deacon Henry DeMena from North Carolina to join us in facilitating a retreat day for parents who have lost a child through death. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we invite you to join us for this day of healing and support. The retreat will be offered at the **Church of Our Lady Basilica in Guelph from 9 am to 4 pm on November 22nd** (lunch is included). Registration is required so we know how many to set up for and how much lunch to order. You can register on the Diocesan home page at

www.hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events (look for the title of the retreat or the date), or by calling the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Journey into Kindergarten with HCDSB! Fall Open Houses

The Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) is hosting Kindergarten Open Houses for families with children starting Kindergarten in September 2026! Families are encouraged to attend to learn more about HCDSB's Kindergarten program, tour a classroom, and connect with fellow parents, staff, and community partners! For more information and to sign up, visit the HCDSB website: hcdsb.info/KindergartenOpenHouses2025

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

HEALTH AND WELLNESS DAY on Saturday, November 1

You're Invited! Join us for a dynamic day of inspiration, movement, and meaningful connection in Cote Hall from 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM. The theme is ***Healthy in Mind, Body, and Spirit: The Power of Success Is Within***. Enjoy engaging presentations from Dr. Caroline Teske (Behavioural Optometrist), Dr. Amali Firhoj, ND (Naturopathic Doctor), Kathryn Kimmins (Canada's Laughter Ambassador), and Sandy Rahn & Cyrah Priebe (Recreation Halton Hills), as they share practical strategies to help you thrive - physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Recharge with energizing fitness breaks led by Jeannine d'Entremont and explore wellness displays from local providers offering valuable resources and insights. Lunch is provided. Admission is free; donations are appreciated. To help us prepare, please RSVP by emailing holycrossgeorgetownrsvp@gmail.com or visit <https://forms.gle/sGwocvVusNMqQ2HX9>

Memorial Mass

Our Parish Memorial Mass will be celebrated on **Saturday, November 8 at 1:00 PM**. We will remember in a special way those who have died in the past year. All parishioners are invited to attend and honour the memory of their own loved ones who have died over the years. Please **RSVP** to holycrossgeorgetownRSVP@gmail.com or call the office at 905-873-1887.

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.

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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