

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

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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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Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 5 Ordinary 27	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.)	
45935	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ௺Maria Branco	
45936	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Jean Guest	
WEDNESDA Y October 8	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Luciano Tenaglia	
45938	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass 한 Hugh Queenan	
FRIDAY, October 10	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass The Mary & Peter Boyle The Renato Laporta The Maria Brancatella The Arduino DeLellis & Mike Santarelli The Deceased of the Martins & Estevan Families The Maria Brancatella The Maria Brancatella The Maria Brancatella The Maria Brancatella The Maria Brancatella The Maria Brancatella The Maria Brancatella	
SATURDAY, October 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Gilda Brown	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Ricardo & Maria do Carmo Medeiros; Joe Carvalho; Robert O'Gorman; Armondo Frisenda; Ivan Page; Marco Frants; Sydney Thomas Moore and Leonora Cacho. In thanksgiving for the Rodrigues Family.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Jacob & Marinha Coutinho.

From the Pastor's Desk

In this Sunday's Gospel, the apostles ask Jesus to increase their faith. His response is striking: even the tiniest amount of true faith—a faith like a mustard seed—can accomplish the impossible. Jesus then shifts to speak about the attitude of a servant. Just as a servant fulfills his duty without expecting special praise, so too should we live our faith with humility, recognizing that everything we do is simply our response to God's immense love.

Quote of the Week

"To know ourselves has always been the greatest of all lessons." — St. Clement of Alexandria

Sunday Smile

I just bought a universal remote. It changes everything.

Life Chain 2025

Life Chain is a public, prayerful, peaceful witness against legalized abortion on the first Sunday of October. It began in Yuba, California in 1987 and was brought to Canada in 1990 by Campaign Life Coalition who continues to lead this initiative. Attending Life Chain is a great follow-up action point to Respect Life Sunday. Simply show up to participate. Halton Locations: **Georgetown:** Guelph St. & Sinclair (2:00-3:00 pm) **Burlington:** Fairview St. & Maple Ave. (2:30-3:30

pm) **Oakville:** Trafalgar Rd. & Dundas St. (2:30-3:30 pm) **Milton:** Main St. & Ontario St. (2:30-3:30 pm)

GFORCe3's Fundraising Concert

To support our refugee family, come and enjoy an evening of song artistically directed by Gerri Schaljo & Kim Duke, presented by Georgetown Church choirs, including our Holy Cross GFORCe Choir, and featured guests at Holy Cross Church on Fri, October 17th, 2025, from 7 pm to 9:30 pm. Tickets will be available after all Masses on Sept. 27/28, Oct.4/5 & Oct. 11/12. Admission: Adult - \$20; Children - \$10; Family - \$40. Evening includes a 50/50 draw and a chance to double your donation.

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.

Holy Cross Young Adults - Public Rosary Rally

The Holy Cross Young Adults (HCYA) invite you to join us in praying the rosary on Saturday, October 11 at noon, to pray for Mary's intervention for the conversion of Canada. We will gather at the front of Holy Cross at the intersection of Argyll and

Mountainview. This will be a Public Rosary Rally, where we will be praying in public for all to see. We will be one of over a thousand groups praying together on this day organized through the campaign Canada Needs Our Lady. If interested please contact hcvacommunity@gmail.com

40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life is a 40 day campaign of prayer, fasting, a peaceful vigil, for the first 40 days of Lent, held near the Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital, at Proudfoot Trail and Dundas Street in Oakville. Will you dedicate an hour to changing hearts and minds of all who see you? We keep vigil in a small group, while holding a sign offering help and hope to pregnant Women and anyone needing Post Abortion Support. For more information see www.40daysforLife.com/Oakville or contact Stephen Germann, 905-333-6472.

Catholic Moms Group - A New Season Begins!

Moms of Holy Cross Parish are invited to join us as we begin the second year of our Catholic Moms Group! This group is a place for fellowship, faith, and fun with other moms in our parish community. We will gather on the 2nd or 3rd Saturday of each month from 10:00am to 11:30am, beginning with our first gathering of the new season on Saturday, October 18th. Whether you've joined us before or are band new, you are welcome! Come be refreshed, connect with other moms, and share in this supportive and faith-filled community - all while enjoying coffee, tea, and snacks. For more information or to sign up, please email momsgrouphs@gmail.com or contact the parish office. We can't wait to see you there!

Respect Life Sunday - October

This Sunday is **Respect Life Sunday**, a time to reflect on the dignity of every human life from conception to natural death. As Canada prepares to legalize euthanasia (MAiD) for those with mental illness in 2027, Halton Alive has created a new educational resource to help us respond with truth, hope, and compassion. You'll find copies available at the back of the church—please take one home and learn how you can be a voice for life.

Youth Pilgrimage Bake Sale!

Support our parish youth on their journey to Rome this Summer! They will be holding a Bake Sale after all Masses the weekend of Oct.4th/5th (just before Thanksgiving) with delicious goodies, including special treats for the Feast of St. Francis. We will also be raffling off a cake baked by Fr. Dave. Please bring cash and consider donating baked goods to help make this fundraiser a success. If you are able to help with this fundraiser contact Michelle or Paul at conquest.challenge.hh@gmail.com

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 RSVPb y emailing holycrossgeorgetownrsvp@gmail.com or visit https://forms.gle/sGwocvVusNMcQ2HX9

Good Shepherd Atrium Registration

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. Weekly 2 hour sessions start Tues, October 7 (Level 1) and Wed, October 8 (Level 2/3). Level 1 - Tuesday 4:00-6:00pm; Level 2/3 - Wednesday 4:30-6:30pm. For more information, please contact the parish office.

Adult Faith Study - Thursdays at 7pm

We will begin our next adult faith study this September with a 20 session series entitled, Foundations of Faith: A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This series will be held on Thursday nights at 7:00pm, from September 25th until November 20th, January 8th to February 26th, and April 16th to 30th. It will be a great opportunity to discover the heart and soul of our Catholic beliefs. Please sign-up on the list in the narthex, or by emailing Joseph at mendon.joseph@gmail.com. The workbook will be \$55, or you can purchase the workbook electronically from Ascension Press f o r \$ 7 USD, https://ascensionpress.com/collections/foundations-of-faith-ajourney-through-the-catechism-of-the-catholic-church#products. You will also require a Catechism of the Catholic Church, hard copy or digital. It is ideal to have an edition published in 2019, but not necessary.

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