



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PARISH

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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

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 28 Ordinary 26	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, September 29	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Maria Felicia de Castro	
TUESDAY, September 30	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass (I) Rebecca Cesar	
WEDNESDAY October 1	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Ivo Babic	
THURSDAY, October 2	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Thelma Melvin & Pat Melvin	
FRIDAY, October 3	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass ✠ Corazon Tulaylay ✠ Domenico Sisi ✠ Douglas Fines ✠ Kata Babic (I) Sophia Herrera	
SATURDAY, October 4	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 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Reg & Loretta Durdle; Bartolomeo & Felice Vallecoccia & Cinzina Dimago; Frank & Maria Vieira; Toni-Ann Williams; Miryam Pareja; Jim Igoe; Maureen Kenny; Argentino Di Nunzio..	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Jim Igoe.

From the Pastor's Desk

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the story of the rich man and Lazarus. The rich man lived in comfort, while Lazarus suffered in poverty at his doorstep. After death, their roles were reversed. This parable reminds us that wealth and comfort are not lasting, but the love we show to others is eternal. God places the poor and vulnerable in our path not as a burden, but as an invitation to compassion. May we not close our eyes or hearts, but recognize Christ in those who need our care today.

Quote of the Week

"Aspire not to have more, but to be more." — St. Oscar Romero

Sunday Smile

Dogs can bark up to 500 times per day. But, that's just a ruff estimate.

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)

Pet Blessings - Sat, October 4th at 1:00pm

In honour of St. Francis of Assisi's feast day, we will once again be offering a blessing of pets at Holy Cross. Meet outside the main doors of the church at 1:00pm on Sat, Oct 4th for this special blessing for your cats, dogs, or whatever!

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.

Holy Cross Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus of the parish will be running a Thanksgiving food drive to support the Georgetown Breadbasket. Food bank bags and the shopping lists of needed items will be distributed on **September 27/28**. The food will be delivered to the food bank on the following **Sunday, October 5th**. Money donations will also be graciously

accepted (cheques made payable to the Georgetown Breadbasket). Be generous if you can to help those in need in our community.

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 hcyacommunity@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.

Apply to be an HCDSB Trustee – Milton (Wards 2 & 3)

The Halton Catholic District School Board is seeking to fill a vacancy for Trustee in Milton (Wards 2 & 3). The position will be filled through an application and interview process. For details on eligibility and how to apply, please visit the HCDSB website.

All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

The annual All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00pm. The principal celebrant will be the Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome!

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 10:00 am to 11:30 am**, beginning with our **first gathering of the new season on Saturday, October 18th**. Whether you've joined us before or are brand 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

momsgrouphc@gmail.com or contact the parish office. We can't wait to see you there!

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

National Seniors' Day is October 1

In the tapestry of life, our senior citizens are the threads that weave wisdom, experience, and love into the fabric of our existence. Alongside them stand the caregivers, the unsung heroes who provide unwavering care and companionship. Older adults across Canada—whether a parent, a co-worker, a neighbour or a friend – make contributions that improve and maintain the health and wellness of our families, communities and society. There are many ways to thank seniors for their contributions and to show them just how much they are appreciated. Here are just a few: say “thank you”; visit, call, or connect via video-messaging, and take some time to say “hi”; run errands for a senior; help with some outdoor chores; or take a walk together...enjoy!! For more information, visit www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/campaigns/national-seniors-day and www.linkedin.com/pulse/gratitude-appreciation-activities-celebrate-national-marshall-jones.

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.

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