



# 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](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

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## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 6 Ordinary 27	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist - (I) Holy Cross Parish <i>(ON LINE at 6:00 a.m.)</i>	
MONDAY, October 7	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Margaret Rizzo	
TUESDAY, October 8	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Marguerite Hulme	
WEDNESDAY October 9	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Christa Williams	
THURSDAY, October 10	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) In thanksgiving to St. Anthony	
FRIDAY, October 11	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Steve Posavec & Deceased Members of the Posavec & Vincek Families † Paul Brazukas † Luaro & Lucena Bumanlag (I) Michelle Antao	
SATURDAY, October 12	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Maria Vicente	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Renato Dias; Robert O’Gorman; Cathy Taylor; Silvano Guidotti and Deceased Members of the Amala & Guidotti Families; Maria Tuggle.	This week’s Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Doug Sullivan.

### **From the Pastor’s Desk**

Today’s readings reflect on the Sacrament of Matrimony. Speaking on this subject, Pope Francis said this: “A Christian marriage isn’t just a big ceremony held in a church with nice flowers and everyone wearing fancy clothes and taking lots of pictures...[marriage is so much deeper and more profound]...Marriage is an act of faith between a man and woman who are both fragile and limited, **but** courageous enough to follow Christ and seek to love each other as Christ loves them.” To love as Christ loves us is a tall task which is why he gives us the Sacraments - to shower us with the graces we need. As with life, in general, marriage isn’t always easy and yes, is sometimes irreconcilable. But regardless of where we find ourselves, know that God’s mercy is always surrounding us through the good and the challenging times.

### **Quote of the Week**

“Nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength.” — *St. Francis de Sales*

### **Sunday Smile**

I call it an elevator, but my British friend calls it a lift. I guess we were just raised differently.

### **Life Chain Returns to Georgetown - Sun, Oct 6, 2024 at 2pm**

LIFE CHAIN 2024 will take place in Georgetown once again this year on Sunday, October 6 from 2-3:00pm. Life Chain is an international hour of prayer for our nation and a peaceful, prayerful public witness on behalf of the unborn at risk of abortion. Join the Chain on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 2pm on Guelph Street between Sinclair and Armstrong in Georgetown.

### **Thanksgiving Food Drive**

The CWL and Knights of Columbus Thanksgiving Food Drive to support the Georgetown Breadbasket Foodbank concludes this weekend. Monetary donations are also graciously accepted (*cheques made out to the Georgetown Breadbasket*). Thank you to all who are able to contribute!

### **Forward Together in Christ**

For the last couple of years, the Diocese of Hamilton has been discerning its challenges and planning for the road ahead, to move ‘Forward Together in Christ’. We were given the opportunity to complete a questionnaire back in 2022, and listening sessions were organized throughout the Diocese to delve deeper into the results. This process has culminated in

the new document, 'Forward Together in Christ' which is available for viewing online at: [www.hamiltondiocese.com/forward-together-in-christ](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/forward-together-in-christ) We also have some hardcopies of the document available in the narthex if you wish to read the report!

### **Diocesan Vocations Month**

October is Diocesan Vocations Month. Please pray for the men and women of our diocese who are discerning their vocations to marriage, priesthood, the permanent diaconate, the dedicated single life, and consecrated life, that is, as a consecrated virgin living in the world, or as a religious priest, brother or sister. Since it is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, you are encouraged to offer the Rosary, in particular, the Luminous Mysteries, for vocations. Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

### **Memorial Mass**

Our Parish Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, November 2 at 1:00 p.m. We will remember in a special way those who have died during the past year, but all parishioners are invited to come to remember their own family and friends who have died over the years. Please RSVP to [holycrossgeorgetownRSVP@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossgeorgetownRSVP@gmail.com) or call the office at 905-873-1887.

### **Prayer Shawl Meeting**

The Prayer Shawl group will meet in the Sacred Heart Room on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. New members are always welcome. Light Refreshments.

### **Grief Relief - Thursday, October 10 to November 21**

Grief Relief - Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? **Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone!** We will be offering a Grief Relief Program on **Thursday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., October 10 – November 21.** Please contact the parish office at (905) 873-1887 for more information.

### **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 (1.5 to 2 hours) sessions run from October to May. Registration is currently open for sessions beginning in September/October 2024. For more information, please contact the parish office.

## **HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE**

### **World Mental Health Day is October 10**

The Sanctuary Mental Health Ministries equips members of the faith community to support mental health and wellbeing. They provide resources that meaningfully engage the topics of faith and mental health. Their content is developed in collaboration with theologians, mental health professionals, and people with lived experience of mental health challenges. These resources prepare communities of faith around the world to raise awareness, reduce stigma, support mental health, and promote mental wellbeing. They also offer an eight-session course that explores the realities of mental health and illness, as well as the vital need for faith-based community conversations about these topics. The sessions are accompanied by compelling films that feature the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with insights from archbishops, theologians, and psychologists. For more information about **The Sanctuary Program**, visit [www.sanctuarymentalhealth.org/catholics](http://www.sanctuarymentalhealth.org/catholics) and login with [hchealthandwellness7@gmail.com](mailto:hchealthandwellness7@gmail.com) and password **HCSanctuary**.

### **Young Adults Group at Holy Cross**

If you are a 17-30 year old young adult looking for a group of people to hang out with, share your faith, and to grow your relationship with the Lord, send us an email with your name and phone number so we can start to plan some meetings and outings together! Our email address is: Holy Cross Young Adult Community: [hcyacommunity@gmail.com](mailto:hcyacommunity@gmail.com)

### **Challenge Girls & Conquest Boys Clubs**

Challenge and Conquest clubs offer Catholic Youth Ministry programming for kids in grade 1-12. Kids are given opportunities to discover and love their Catholic faith, live Christian virtues, and make a positive impact in the world around them. They are programs designed to instill virtue, develop character, encourage spiritual growth through sports and dynamic activities offered at weekly meetings and through apostolic service projects. Parent and youth involvement builds family and community bonds and provides leadership, mentorship, and service opportunities for youth. **The Halton Hills chapters will offer:** Weekly meetings Fridays from 6:30-8:30 pm (September 20th, 2024 to June 13 th, 2025) **Location:** St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Elementary School. Throughout the year there will be additional club events/excursions, retreats and community experiences offered to members. If you require more information, please contact Michelle or Paul at [conquest.challenge.hh@gmail.com](mailto:conquest.challenge.hh@gmail.com). Registration form is available at: <https://www.regnumchristiontario.org/ecyd>

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