



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

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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, September 22 Ordinary 25	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, September 23	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Ricardo Mendes	
TUESDAY, September 24	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Aurelio Viola	
WEDNESDAY September 25	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Howard ho Wai Hui	
THURSDAY, September 26	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Vincenza Cosentino	
FRIDAY, September 27	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Gilda Brown (I) Leslie Rutherford † Joe McColl † Herb doyle	
SATURDAY, September 28	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) In thanksgiving	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Loretta & Reg Durdle; Mieczyslaw Habas; Eugenio Albano Jr, Manuel Luis Pacheco & Maria Trinda Paulos; Laurenio, Michael & Antonio Silva; Jose Tavares, Conciecao & Francisco Cabral.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Eugenio Albano Jr.

### From the Pastor's Desk

Humility is one of the essential virtues to help us in the spiritual life. As we hear in the gospel though, the disciples haven't yet quite figured it out. They were arguing about 'who is the greatest' among them. Jesus gently corrects them saying 'whoever wants to be first must be last and servant of all'. That's quite a change in thinking, but that is the key to the kingdom of God. Let's always pray for the grace of humility in our lives, so that indeed by putting ourselves last, we'll always be first in God's eyes.

### Quote of the Week

"One loving heart sets another on fire." — *St. Augustine*

### Sunday Smile

I ate a clock the other day. It was very time consuming.

### 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 at 2pm on Guelph Street between Sinclair and Armstrong in Georgetown.

### Thanksgiving Food Drive

The CWL and Knights of Columbus of the parish will be running a Thanksgiving Food Drive to support the Georgetown Breadbasket Foodbank. Bags and a shopping list of needed items will be distributed over the next couple of weekends, and the food will be delivered to the foodbank following the Masses on October 6. Monetary 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!

### Fall Ministry Fair and Coffee Sunday - September 28 & 29

Mark your calendars for our Fall Ministry Fair and Coffee Sunday after all Masses on Saturday, September 28 and Sunday, September 29 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!

### 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.

### **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)

### **HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE**

#### **September is World Alzheimer's Month**

According to Alzheimer's Disease International, many people still wrongly believe that Alzheimer's and dementia are part of normal aging. The global awareness raising campaign focusses on attitudes toward dementia and seeks to redress stigma and discrimination which still exists around the condition, while highlighting the positive steps being undertaken by organizations and governments globally to develop a more dementia friendly society. 12 actions for a healthier brain at any age: 1. Daily physical activity; 2. Protect your hears; 3. Social activity; 4. Manage medical conditions; 5. Challenge your thinking; 6. Get good night's sleeps; 7. Have depression treated; 8. Avoid excessive alcohol intake; 9. Maintain your hearing; 10. Find meaning in life; 11. Avoid all types of head injury; 12. Adopt healthy behaviours. For more information, visit [www.alzint.org](http://www.alzint.org) or [www.alsheimer.ca](http://www.alsheimer.ca).

### **Health and Wellness Committee Invitation**

The Health and Wellness Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 10:00am at Holy Cross Parish. New members are always welcome! If you are interested, please contact Linda Motz at [linda.m.motz@gmail.com](mailto:linda.m.motz@gmail.com)

### **Church Bulletin Advertising**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

### **9:00am Choir**

The 9:00am Choir is seeking new members willing to undertake multi-part singing. Practice on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm. You are invited to *make a joyful noise unto the Lord (Psalm 100)*. Please respond to Fergus Egan at [egan.f@bell.net](mailto:egan.f@bell.net)

### **Baptism Preparation Class**

Holy Cross Parish is looking for dynamic leaders to assist on the Baptism Preparation Team. Members of the team are responsible for leading a class to prepare first-time parents and godparents for the faithful reception of the Sacrament of Baptism. During the class, parents will be engaged and encouraged to reflect more deeply on the meaning of this Sacrament of Initiation and its importance in the lives of their children. They will also be prepared physically and spiritually for what to expect on Baptism Day. Meetings are first Thursdays of the month starting at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Training will be provided. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the Parish Office 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.

### **RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

This process, through which adults become fully initiated members of our Catholic faith community, will begin again this Fall. If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and the possibility of becoming a Catholic, please contact Father Carlos at the Parish Office. The process involves a weekly commitment to one hour sessions and participation at Sunday Mass. It is open to unbaptized adults, those baptized in other Christian Churches, and Catholics who desire to complete their initiation.

### **Religious Instruction for Public School**

Parents of children enrolled in **Public** or **Private** schools are invited to enroll them in our parish's religious instruction program. The lessons are home-based and children work at their grade level and their own pace. It is sponsored by the Diocese of Hamilton and administrated through our parish. The successful completion of the appropriate Grade Levels is **required** prior to the child's reception of the sacraments. For example a child in Grade 2 should have completed the Level 1 program and be enrolled in Level 2. A child preparing for Confirmation should have completed all levels (and enrolled in Level 7) prior to Confirmation. For more information and registration kindly contact the Parish Office.

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