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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
Marleen Cushing, President
(647) 223-2461

Prayer Network
Katie 416-433-4324

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Joe Crane, Grand Knight
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Christ the King Secondary
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905-877-1779

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905-877-4451

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905-702-8001

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, November 17 Ordinary 33	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, November 18	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † George & Barbara Wall	
TUESDAY, November 19	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass † Rita Christensen	
WEDNESDAY November 20	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Frank Perricciolo	
THURSDAY, November 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Priscila Muere	
FRIDAY, November 22	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Luis Botelho † Notburga Seelos (I) Zorina Fisher (I) In thanksgiving to St. Joseph	
SATURDAY, November 23	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass (I) Teresa de Souza	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe <i>Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful:</i> Mike Warman; Kevin & Delia Soares; Ivan & Ljubica Babic; Candida Azevedo; Eugenio Albano Jr. & Sr. & Maria Francelina Albano; Laurenio & Michael Silva & Antonio Sousa; Jose Tavares & Joao Cabral; Artur Raposo; John Wilcox; Walter Tarka.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for the intentions of the living and deceased members of our families and friends.

From the Pastor's Desk

As we come to the end of our liturgical year before we begin Advent in a couple of weeks, we hear some pretty sobering and even confusing readings concerning the Second Coming of Christ. The readings speak of general upheaval for life as we know it. All of this sounds concerning, but since the Gospel is the Good News of Jesus Christ, we look deeper, and when we look deeper, we find that indeed for the *glory of Christ to shine through completely* – our world as we know it indeed must be conformed to the glory of God, erasing all evil. Christ comes to *change* us, and if we can't honestly say that our life is changed because of a relationship with Jesus, then there is no better time than now as we begin anew in the Advent season, and as Pope Francis has urged us – to *open the doors of our hearts* to Jesus, allowing him to *transform* us, to allow him to renew us in a *powerful* way. To allow him to *upset* life as we know it in order to grow into the fulfilled life he intends for us, and to prepare us for the day that the Lord calls us home.

Quote of the Week

"The cross of Christ is the true ground and chief cause of Christian hope." — *St. Leo the Great*

Sunday Smile

There was a big sale on paddles at the boat store, and the crowds were massive! It was quite an oar deal.

Palliative Care: The Better Choice - An In-Person Lecture

Speaking from a medical and bioethics perspective, Dr. Paul Zeni and Bob Parke discuss the many strengths of palliative care including opportunity for legacy, individualized support, and grief counseling. Dr. Zeni contrasts the broad scope of palliative care potential against the real side of MAiD - what MAiD doesn't provide. Parke highlights the importance of advance care planning as the gift you give yourself, your loved ones, and the healthcare team. **Date: Sat, Nov 23 at 10:30am. Location: All Saints Catholic Church, 1145 Royal Road, Etobicoke ON.**

CWL NEWS

The November CWL General Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 19 in Cote Hall, after the 7:00pm Mass.

Have You Moved Recently?

If you have moved *or changed telephone number* in the past few months, kindly let us know at the parish office so we can update our records.

Holy Cross HELPS

On November 23/24 there will be a special collection for Holy Cross HELPS. This collection allows HELPS to provide extra assistance to clients for Christmas. This weekend an envelope is attached to the bulletin for this special Christmas assistance. Thank you for your continue support to this worthy cause.

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 November 24. 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.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

November is Lung Cancer Awareness month

Lung cancer is a disease that doesn't discriminate, affecting both smokers and non-smokers, men and women, young and old, across all walks of life. While tobacco use remains the overwhelming leading cause of lung cancer, anyone can get lung cancer. Lung Cancer Canada is a national charity serving the lung cancer community through education, support, research, and advocacy. Lung cancer often has no symptoms until it has spread. This is because the lungs have few specialized nerves or pain receptors. When symptoms do occur, they vary depending on the type of lung cancer, location, and size of the tumor. By far, the best outcomes in treating lung cancer are from finding the disease as early as possible. Early detection can significantly increase the chances of effective treatment or even a cure. A series of tests are necessary to diagnose lung cancer. Lung cancer isn't just a diagnosis. It's a journey. One that tests the limits of resilience, courage and hope. And one that shines a spotlight on the strength of the human spirit. For more information, visit <https://lungcancerCanada.ca> or <https://lung.ca>

KofC and CWL Christmas Social

The Knights of Columbus and the Holy Cross Catholic Women's League will be hosting their second annual Parish Christmas Social on the evening of Saturday December 7th. Tickets are \$35 and are available in the Narthex after weekend Masses or by contacting Joe Crane 647-232-6630 or Marleen Cushing 647-223-2461.

Halton Alive - Boxes of Hope

Help bring hope and encouragement to the elderly in our community! Halton Alive with its program Inspire Hope, is launching the Christmas initiative "Boxes of Hope." Last year they distributed more than 500 boxes to seniors living in long-term care and retirement homes. We NEED YOUR HELP! Spread the word, get your family, club, school, ministry and church involved! Visit www.haltonalive.ca/boxesofhope

Sunday (Novalis) Missals

2025 Sunday Missals will be available for purchase after all Masses this weekend. The Knights of Columbus sell the Missals for \$5 each. The Sunday Missal is useful for reflecting on the Scripture readings before Mass. Your 2024 Missals can be left with the Knights for disposal.

Casting Call

For all Children (and Parent volunteers) who would like to participate in the Christmas Pageant. This is performed at the 9:00 am Christmas Day Mass. Costumes are provided and there are no speaking parts. Join us for an Information Meeting on Sun, December 1st immediately following 9:00am and 10:30 am Mass in Cote Hall. Everyone is welcome! For more information contact Debbie Baker at 416-936-9517 or dbaker@openaire.com

Inter-parish Young Adult Gathering

Adoration With Taize-style Prayer - Saturday, December 7 from 6:30-9:30pm. An hour of Adoration accompanied by the simple, meditative-style music and prayer originating from the Taize Community in France. Simple sung refrains, prayerful silence, and short scripture readings will guide this evening of prayer in the Advent season. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. Refreshments and social to follow at 7:30pm. All young adults (18-29) welcome - students, young professionals, parish groups, and young families. Holy Rosary, 287 Plains Road, Burlington. For more info or to RSVP contact Cristian clecanda@hamiltondiocese.com or <https://bit.ly/m/SetTheWorldOnFire>

Handel's Messiah

Saturday, November 30th at 7:30pm at Holy Cross Parish, Georgetown. Tickets (\$45 adults/\$15 students) can be purchased from Ron Greidaus (905-873-9909), online at www.georgetownbachchorale.com, or at Foodstuffs, 89 Main St. S. (905-877-6569). Presented by the Georgetown Bach Chorale & Baroque Orchestra under the direction of Ron Greidanus.

Register Your Child for Kindergarten at HCDSB!

Kindergarten registration at the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) for the 2025-2026 school year is now open! Parents and guardians who are interested in registering their child for Kindergarten are invited to visit the HCDSB website for more information: <https://hcdsb.info/KindergartenRegistration>

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 as we plan meetings and outings together! Our email address is: Holy Cross Young Adult Community: hcyacommunity@gmail.com

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