

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 Marleen Cushing, President (647) 223-2461

Knights of Columbus Joe Crane, Grand Knight 647-232-6630 jwcrane@hotmail.ca **Prayer Network** Katie 416-433-4324

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| Date | Time | Holy Mass | Parish Meetings |
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| SUNDAY, November 3 Ordinary 31 | 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, November 4 | 9:00 a.m. | Daily Mass † Maria Branco | |
| TUESDAY, November 5 | 6:00 p.m. | Holy Hour | |
| | 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. | Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Daily Mass † Mary Tucker | |
| WEDNESDAY November 6 | 9:00 a.m. | Daily Mass † Francesco Ciraco | |
| THURSDAY, November 7 | 9:00 a.m. | Daily Mass † Deceased Members of the Ennett & Lynas Families | |
| FRIDAY, November 8 | 9:00 a.m. | Daily Mass † Aurelio Viola † Malcolm Vincent † Adam Hess (I) Int. of Rob & Chris Fines | |
| SATURDAY, November 9 | 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 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Alda Perreira; Manny Funtanilla; Ben Hur Benito; Domenioc Di Serio; Charlie Waller; Gaetano Giordano & Ida Misasi; Daryl Giberson; Bernie Smith, Sharon Monti & Augusto & Gina Cecchin. | This week's Sanctuary Lamp is for Special Intentions. |

From the Pastor's Desk

I love it when things are simple. And if you're like me and appreciate simple and clear instructions, you must love today's gospel where Jesus sums up the whole moral law in two commandments: 1) Love God; 2) Love neighbour. That's it. If we get those two right, all of the other commandments flow from those and fall into place. Yes, there are many more specific commandments and teachings to help us go deeper, but we don't always need to overthink it. In loving God and neighbour we end up adhering to all of the commandments, and we will never be far from the Kingdom of God.

Quote of the Week

"God cannot turn away his face from those who cast themselves at his feet with a humble and contrite heart." — St. Alphonsus Liguori

Sunday Smile

Most bald people still own a comb. They just can't part with it.

Cemetery Prayers - Sunday, November 3

It is traditional to offer prayers for our deceased loved ones in a particular way each year during the month of November, and an indulgence for the souls in purgatory is granted when we pray in a cemetery. On Sun, Nov 3rd, join us at **2:00pm for prayers at Greenwood Cemetery**, and **2:30pm for prayers at Holy Redeemer Cemetery**. We'll be there, rain or shine!

Scam Emails

As happens periodically, someone is sending emails pretending to be Fr. Dave, asking for 'a favour', and subsequently asking the recipient to send them gift cards or money. Once again, please know that Fr. Dave will <u>never</u> make such a request. So, if you happen to receive a suspicious email from one of the priests or from someone else at the parish you can safely assume it is a scam, and send the message to your email trash bin, where it belongs!

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 Jim Pickett 289-839-0444 or Marleen Cushing 647-223-2461.

Catholic Moms Group

Moms of Holy Cross Parish are invited to our new Catholic Mom's Group on **Saturday, November 9**th **at 10:00 am to 11:30 am**. We will be meeting the <u>2nd and 4th Saturday mornings</u> for a time of fellowship, formation, and fun. You can join anytime and participate according to your family's busy schedule. Just let us know if you want to be part of this group by emailing momsgroupHC@gmail.com or contacting the parish office. Hope to see you there!

Fall Yard Clean Up

Clean Up on Saturday, November 9th from 8:15am until noon. We need your help! Not only is this an opportunity to volunteer in raking leaves for homes of those in need (due to age, health or circumstance) it is also a chance to make new friends. If you can't rake, join us and be a "friendly visitor." The day begins at Georgetown Christian Fellowship, 13619 Highway #7 - north of where Trafalgar & Hwy 7 intersect. Join us from 12:00-1:00pm at Knox Presbyterian Church, 116 Main Street for a time of fellowship, food and drink. Everyone is welcome. Please email Celia Stokoe at holycrosscuhh@gmail.com to sign up. Tell your friends and neighbours as we work together as Christians to help those in our community.

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

Advent Inner Healing Retreat - December 7th, 8th, & 10th

"A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord" (Isaiah 40:3) - Fr. Adam Zettel, LC, will lead and facilitate this Inner Healing Retreat based on the program, Healing the Whole Person, by Dr. Bob Schuchts. Come discover transformational freedom in Christ-Engage your story with honesty; Discover Jesus's presence even in fear, doubt or pain; Accept His invitation to make you whole; Live in His freedom. The retreat begins on the second weekend of Advent, running Dec. 7, 9 am-5 pm / Dec. 8, 1-5 pm / Dec. 10, 6-9 pm inclusive at Holy Cross Church, Georgetown. Along with 7 insightful talks, there will be opportunities for personal prayer and reflection (using the Healing the Whole Person Participant Guide), Eucharistic Adoration, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Prayer teams and individual spiritual direction will also be available. Registration Fee: \$30 (includes participant guide and light lunch provided on Sat. Dec. 7). Registration Deadline: Thursday, November 28.

You can register on the parish web site at www.holycrossrc.com or sign up in the Narthex. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Jennifer Cauchi at jcauchi@hamiltondiocese.com or through the parish office.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

November is Men's Health Awareness Month

According to Movember Canada, men will die on average 4½ years earlier than women and for reasons that are largely preventable, which means that it doesn't have to be that way. Here are 5 ways you can give yourself the best chance at living a healthy and long life. 1) Spend time with people who make you feel good; stay connected. 2) Talk, more...being there for someone, listening and giving your time can be lifesaving. 3) Know the numbers. At 50, talk to your doctor about prostate cancer. 4) Learn the early warning signs of testicular cancer. 5) Move more; add activity to your day. Learn more at https://ca.movember.com/mens-health/general

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The Connected Care Halton Ontario Health Team wants you to know they have a Health Navigation line that provides:

- Easy Access to Health and Social Services: Community members can now call this single number to get information and assistance in navigating the diverse health and social services within Halton.
- Streamlined Care Coordination: The navigation line serves as a central point for coordinating care, making it simpler for patients to get the support they need.
- **Availability:** The line is operational, ensuring that assistance is always just a phone call away.
- **Collaborative Effort:** This initiative is a testament to their collaborative spirit, bringing together various resources and expertise within our community.

Lay Carmelite Spirituality Group

"Carmel, is a source of wealth for the whole Christian Community" Pope St. John Paul II Lay Carmelites are Roman Catholic men and women who "live in the following of Jesus Christ according to the traditions and spirit of Carmel". They are called to a vocation of love, seeking God's will in the ordinary circumstances of everyday life. Our next meeting is on Saturday, November 16th at 9:30 am in Holy Rosary Parish Hall. Website: www.laycarmelites.org. For more information, contact: Noreen D'Souza: noreendsouza72@gmail.com

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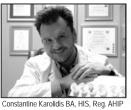
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