

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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Saint Brigid School

905-877-1779

Saint Catherine School

905-702-8001

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Holy Mass	Parish Meetings
SUNDAY, October 20 Ordinary 30	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, October 21	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Jean Falzon	
TUESDAY, October 22	6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour	
	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	7:00 p.m.	Daily Mass 🕆 Clare Anne Tenuta	
WEDNESDAY October 23	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass 🕆 Katia Ciraco	
THURSDAY, October 24	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass 🕆 Carlos Page	
FRIDAY, October 25	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Kata Babic † Vito Polera † Reynaldo Bumanlag † Deceased Mmembers of the Cosentino & Varricchio Families	
SATURDAY, October 26	9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass † Margaret Rizzo	
	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass - the Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Offered for the Intentions of the Deceased Faithful: Ivan & Ljubica Babic; Manuel & Angelina Medeiros; Amavel Baptista; Maria Silva; Edward Meadows; Joao Furtado; Souls in Purgatory.	This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Colleen Moir & Isabel Brown.

From the Pastor's Desk

"What do you want me to do for you?" This is the question Jesus asks the blind beggar Bartimeus in today's gospel. The blind man, of course, wants to see again! Our prayers should always include a request to Our Lord to see things more clearly - to see things as God sees them so that we may discern His will in our lives. Too often it is our own will that wins out, but discerning God's will takes prayer, it takes time. It takes the faith of Bartimeus.

Quote of the Week

"If we are the heirs of Christ, let us abide in the peace of Christ." — St. Cyprian of Carthage

Sunday Smile

I got fired from my new job at the ice cream factory. I refused to work on Sundaes.

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!

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.

Men's Prayer Group – Sat, Nov 2nd at 7:30am

We are starting a Men's Prayer Group at Holy Cross Parish this fall! The next meeting will be at 7:30am on Sat, Nov 2 ending with Mass at 9:00am. It will be a time of prayer, faith formation and fraternity for men of the parish, 18 years of age or older. We will be using the Cor program developed by the Knights of Columbus (although please note that you don't need to be a Knight to participate!). All men are welcome, but if you plan to attend, please email Fr. Carlos at cdiaz@hamiltondiocese.com so we can plan to have enough refreshments for the morning!

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 2nd and 4th Saturday

mornings 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!

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 or call the office at 905-873-1887.

Fall Yard Clean Up

Community Unity Halton Hills is having their annual Fall Yard 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.

Holy Cross H.E.L.P.S.

Members of Holy Cross HELPS will be at the doors of the church after all Masses this weekend, October 26/27 to accept your donation towards their corporal works of mercy in the community. On behalf of those in need in our community, we pass on their sincere gratitude and appreciation for your generosity.

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Respiratory Viruses and Fall Immunizations

According to the CDC (Centres for Disease Control and Prevention), respiratory viruses are viruses that cause illnesses in the respiratory system. These illnesses share similar symptoms, risk factors, and prevention strategies. Respiratory viruses may cause both upper and lower respiratory tract symptoms. Some viruses also affect the nose, throat and lungs, and can lead to serious lung infections, such as pneumonia. Every year, respiratory viruses such as influenza (flu), COVID-19, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) cause hundreds of thousands of hospitalizations and thousands of deaths during the fall and winter virus season. Core prevention strategies include **immunizations**,

washing hands, improving airflow, seeking treatment, and staying home/away from others when you have symptoms/are feeling sick to prevent spreading. For more information visit www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/guidance/or talk to your doctor or Health Practitioner.

Cancer Assistance Halton Hills

Cancer Assistance Halton Hills is looking for Volunteer Drivers to help drive our clients to and from their cancer treatments and appointments. Our clients travel to different hospitals and clinics within the GTA and outside of the GTA (Toronto, Oakville, Mississauga, Hamilton, Brampton). We are in particular need of drivers willing to drive to downtown Toronto. Drivers are compensated for their mileage by Cancer Assistance. If you are interested in joining our wonderful organization and help make someone's cancer journey just that little bit easier, please contact Wendy Molnar, our Transportation Coordinator at 905-702-8886 or email transportation@cancerassistance.org

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

Marian Pilgrimage to France & Spain – June 2025

You are invited to take part in a Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Spain and France from June 3rd to 13th, 2025. Fr. Ian Duffy, Rector of the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, will be the Spiritual Director for this pilgrimage visiting Lourdes, Lisieux, Nevers, Monserrat, Zaragoza, Barcelona, and Paris. The price of \$5,690.00 Cdn per person includes airfare, accommodation, ground transportation, most meals, and the services of English speaking guides. To register or for more information please contact Edgar Tetelbaum at Gateways International (edgar@gateways-internationl.com or 1-800-268-0900 ext. 233) There will be an information evening at the Basilica of Our Lady, 28 Norfolk Street, Guelph, on November 7, 2024 at 7:30pm. All are welcome.

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 until May. For more information, contact the parish office.

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