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OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

WEEKEND LITURGY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGY

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.
Saturday 11:30 a.m. - 12 noon, and by appointment

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday evening Mass

SACRED HEART DEVOTION

First Friday of every month at 8:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS

Please contact the parish office to register for parent meeting for Baptism.

MARRIAGES

Please contact the Pastor at least nine months in advance.

PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

For more information or assistance contact our parish priest(s) or see www.vocationinfo.ca

MINISTRY TO SICK/SHUT-INS

Please notify the Rectory Office and arrange Communion.

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family please advise the priest immediately and they will assist you in making the liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial, contact the cemetery office at (905) 522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We invite you to take the time to complete a census form, located at all doors of the church. Please drop it into the collection basket.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All bulletin announcements MUST be received by the parish office no later than Monday at 3:30 p.m. to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday Bulletin.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EVERY FRIDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS - 12 NOON

C.W.L. Message

All women are invited to the 2016 Lenten Retreat on Tuesday, February 16. This event will again be facilitated by Fr. Mike Isabelle and will run from 9 a.m. until 2:15 p.m. Refreshments and lunch will be served. The cost is a donation of \$15. Registration forms are available at all the doors of the church. Be sure to register by February 11. For more information, phone Marie at 905-637-1677.

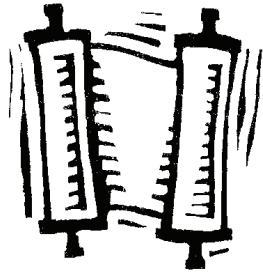
Please pick up your 2016 envelopes as soon as you are able before they are removed to the parish office. Tax receipts will be put out in the church for pick up. This will save a lot on postage. If you are planning on going away in the winter, don't worry, we will still mail any that do not get picked up. Please be patient while they are being prepared during this busy year-end period.

Pancake Supper!

Come and join us on Shrove Tuesday (February 9) for pancakes and sausages in the parish hall between 4 and 7 p.m. The cost is \$5 per adult and \$3 for children 5 and under.

WEEKEND OFFERTORY COLLECTION

December 25, 2015.....\$13,633.65
of envelopes.....327



Mass Intentions

“...all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ.”

- 1 Cor. 12:13

Monday January 25 - Conversion of St. Paul
Act 22:3-16; Mark 16:15-18 - No Mass

Tuesday January 26 - St. Timothy & St. Titus
2 Timothy 1:1-8; Luke 10:1-9

7 PM - Deceased members of the O'Brien family

Wednesday January 27

2 Samuel 7:1-17+; Mark 4:1-20

9 AM - Intentions of Art Tessier

Thursday January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas

2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Mark 4:21-25

9 AM - Shirley Andrews

Friday January 29

2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mark 4:26-34

9 AM - Robert Veilleux

Saturday January 30

2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41

5 PM - Charlie Campbell

Sunday January 31 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13; Luke 4:21-30

9 AM - Pro Populo

11 AM - Sonny Malone



Our Parish

Monday January 25

Emotions Anonymous Meeting - 7 PM - WR

Tuesday January 26

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

RCIA - 7:30 - WR

Wednesday January 27

Legion of Mary - 9:30 AM - WR

Women's AA - 6:15 PM - Hall

Thursday January 28

Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation - 12:30 - WR

Not Catholic but Curious Lectures - 7 PM - WR

Choir Practice - 7:30 PM - Church

Friday January 29

AA Meeting - 9 PM - Hall



Donation of Religious Articles/Clothes

In the past, we requested that you donate small religious articles in small boxes located in the church entrances. This practice has been discontinued. However, if you have religious articles to donate we can still help with that. Please place any articles into the box labelled "religious articles" in the closet near the Blairholm St. side entrance. This closet is a place to leave donations to go to Canadian Food for Children. If you have clothing to donate, please pack it into a plastic bag and do not leave the clothes loose in the cupboard. This will really help our volunteers to carry to their car and deliver the donated goods to the Canadian Food for Children. Also, kindly do not leave your religious articles out on the tables at the entrances of the church now that you know where to donate them. Thank you very much.



Ash Wednesday is February 10. Are you prepared? Lent is a time for repentance, change of heart and prayer. Give some thought now to your Lenten practice.

The Knights of Columbus #5073 have teamed up with St. Raphael's Men's Group to invite men from all parishes to a **Social Night**. We will meet and welcome the new priests from the Congregation of the Holy Cross. There will be plenty of discussion while enjoying food and drink. From 7-9 p.m. at St. Raphael's Parish on Monday, January 25.

The Knights of Columbus Hall is available for celebrations, meetings, socials and more. Phone 289-260-7352 for information or visit their website at www.kofc5073.ca.

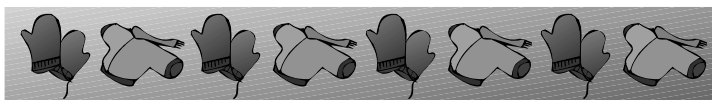
IN THE DIOCESE

Attend a **Day of Prayer with the Sisters of Social Service** at 11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton, Friday, January 29, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Bring a bag lunch - tea and coffee are provided. An offering of \$25 is suggested. To register, phone 905-388-3966 or email ssspertshire@sympatico.ca.

The Discalced Carmelite Sisters from Mount Carmel in St. Agatha invite all women interested in religious life to join them for a day of prayer, teaching and discernment on Saturday, January 30 at their monastery. For information/registration, please visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

If you are married 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ years in 2016, you are cordially invited to a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 29 at the Cathedral of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Please refer to the poster near the Brant St. entrance for a tear-off sheet to mail in to register.



IN OTHER PARISHES

St. Raphael's Women's Day of Reflection

The 6th Annual Women's Day of Reflection will be Saturday, February 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the parish centre. Our theme is "The Fire in My Soul," with keynote speaker, Dr. Josephine Lombardi. Tickets are \$30 through Charlotte Carpenter at 905-681-6221 or bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Winter Evening Hike and Bonfire

Young adults (ages 19 to 39) - February 21, 6-8 p.m., discover the magic of winter by participating in a guided hike through the woods, under the light of the moon at the Royal Botanical Gardens. We will begin with a basic introduction then hit the trails, capping it off by a bonfire with a hot cup of cocoa. Share this experience, share our faith journey and share peace with like-minded young adults. For registration and more information, contact Cristian, youth minister at St. Raphael's at (905) 637-2346 or email cala1271@gmail.com.

SERRA CLUB CELEBRATION

Plan on joining the Serra Club of Hamilton in celebrating 50 years of service by Fr. Ciavarrro, Fr. Curtin, Fr. Isabelle, Fr. Strohmeyer, Fr. Clarke SJ, Fr. Kelly CCSp, Fr. Wagner CSC, Fr. Wahl CR and Sr. Kerrigan CSJ on Tuesday, April 26 at Liuna Station. Visit <http://celebrationprl.wix.com/dinner> or phone Margaret Carreiro at 905-628-5682 for details of this event.

Booked a vacation week in August yet? Please consider joining the **Cross of Victory Pilgrimage** for a day or two or the whole week of August 6 to August 13 as we walk to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland. For information, search Cross of Victory Pilgrimage 2016 on the internet or contact David Foster at CofVPilgrimage@gmail.com or 416-892-8819.

Interested in the priesthood or religious life? Speak to the pastor or contact Rev. Kuzma at (905)528-7988, ext. 2246 or visit www.vocationinfo.ca.

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