

ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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OFFICE HOURS	Mon-Fri	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
		1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
	Saturday	3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
	Sunday	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
	<i>closed on Statutory Holidays</i>	

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 PM
 Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
 Mon - Fri 9:00 AM

WEDDINGS

Please contact us at least one year in advance.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM
or by appointment

MINISTRY TO AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please advise us if you have someone ill at home, in the hospital, or in a local nursing home so that we can minister to them.

PRAYER BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS

8:00 AM in the Adoration Chapel
8:30 AM Rosary in the church

FUNERALS

Please contact us and your choice of funeral home. For information on Catholic burial, please contact the cemetery office at 905.522.7727 or 1.800.661.5985, or visit www.TheCatholicCemeteries.ca

PERPETUAL ADORATION

We encourage you to spend some time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel, anytime, day or night.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS & BECOMING ROMAN CATHOLIC

- For newborns, any weekend Mass.
- For school aged children, after being catechized.
- For adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic call the office for more information.

PARISH SCHOOLS

- Assumption High School 905.634.1835
- St. Raphael's Elementary 905.637.3810
- St. Paul's Elementary 905.632.1424

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905.681.6394

Archangel St. Raphael "God is my Healer"

The angel of joy; patron of: travellers, bearers of good news and men and women seeking a good spouse.

See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com Holy Cross Vocations www.holycrossvocationscanada.com
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PASSION SUNDAY



Monday, April 11 - 9:00 am
† Dinh Thi Nhon & Nguyen Van Chieu

Tuesday, April 12 - 9:00 am
† Jack Hall

Wednesday, April 13 - 9:00 am
† Gerry Kennedy

Sunday, April 17
8:30 am † Francis Onuska
10:00 am † Noel Carling
12 noon - For Our Parishioners

Please pray for:

Jasmine Leigh	Joseph & Madeleine	James Cook
Emma Goodale	Zucco	Milan Heck
Vanessa Rodrigues	Sarah Scharer	Frank Sicoli
Albert Rodrigues	Elizabeth Talatala	Rolando Mabalay
John Scharer	Asia Rae Landry	Helen Weppler
Doug Pudsey	Noah Landry	Jane Urquhart
Peggy Evans	Alison Zierl	Laith Yousif
Lee Olds	Rosario Herve	Mary Lilly
Stephen Pustai	Jill Olds	Vincent Stanford
Michael Smart	Joanne Pringle	Marie Bond
Kyle Elliott	Robert Connelly	Ron Robertson
Heather Allen	Jones Rodney	Gary Olds
Maritza Garcia	Barbara Fisher	Helen Sheehan
Gonzalez	Laurie Suddaby	Nicola Izzi
Tom Olds	Christopher Ryan	John Bate
Alban Olds		

If you would like a loved one prayed for by the parish or included in the weekend Prayers of the Faithful, please call the Parish Office by Tuesday morning.



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER: Pope Francis writes: "This (ecological) conversion calls for a number of attitudes which together foster a spirit of generous care, full of tenderness. First it entails gratitude and gratuitousness, a recognition that the world is God's loving gift." Ls #220
Pope Francis reminds us that an ecological conversion must include gratitude for the gifts of God's Creation. Included in the gifts of God's creation are the forests that cover our earth. On this past March 21st we celebrated World Forestry Day. Did you know that forests play a major role in the health of our Earth? According to Environment Canada, a 30% forest cover is the minimum threshold for a healthy ecological state. The urban tree canopy in Burlington is sitting at a low 15-17%. At this rate, less than one-half of the potential species richness can be supported and our aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems are deemed only marginally healthy. Did you know that trees:

- *Decrease air pollution through filtration and oxygen generation
 - *Improve shade cover, wind barriers and temperature control year-round (lowering energy costs)
 - *Assist with stormwater management in built environments
 - *Provide habitats to birds and other wildlife
 - *Decrease water runoff, creek degradation and flooding
 - *Increase value of neighbourhoods, aesthetic, and overall curb appeal
- Give gratitude to God for trees. Do what you can to support the health of trees in your neighbourhood and visit a nearby forest soon.

<https://www.un.org/en/observances/forests-and-trees-day>

<https://www.genevaenvironmentnetwork.org/resources/updates/international-day-of-forests/>

Sunday begins Holy Week with **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**. We read the gospel about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, Paul's invitation to us to imitate Jesus who emptied himself, and the whole **Passion**, this year from **Luke's Gospel**.

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Prayer/ Used with permission.

IN OUR PARISH

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



April 3, 2022

Envelopes (99)	\$3690
Loose	\$71
Share Lent (57)	\$2062

Thank you for your continued support!



FLOWERS FOR EASTER: The Decoration Committee invites you to bring in flowers/plants for the Easter Season. A variety of flowers are appreciated, preferably some that would last well into the Easter season. If you would like to remember a loved one, feel free to include a small card with their name on it. Please bring the flowers to the back of the church. The deadline for the plants to arrive is **Friday, April 15**, no later than 6 pm. Thank-you.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: A reminder that the office will be closed on **Friday, April 15, and Monday, April 18.**



THANK YOU FOR GIVING FROM THE HEART TO SHARE LENT 2022!

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the *People and Planet First* campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, our parish collected \$2062. This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America

and the Middle East. If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or to donate online at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

Holy Week Schedule

Parish Reconciliation – Wednesday, April 13
7:00 pm – Reconciliation Service

Holy Thursday – Thursday, April 14
8:00 pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday – Friday, April 15
11:00 am – Good Friday Liturgy
3:00 pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday – Saturday, April 16
11:00 am – Blessing of Food Basket
8:00 pm - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday Mass – Sunday, April 17
8:30 am, 10:00 am, 12 noon

1. What does "Triduum" mean?

It comes from Latin roots that mean, essentially, "the three days" or "period of three days". Today it refers to the liturgical season that follows Lent and precedes the Easter season. According to the main document governing the celebrations connected with Easter, *Paschales Solemnitatis: 38*, This time is called "the triduum of the crucified, buried and risen".

2. When does Triduum begin and end?

According to the *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar: 19*, The Easter triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with evening prayer on Easter Sunday.

This means that Triduum thus runs from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. It thus includes three full days, though since the season doesn't begin at midnight, these three days are distributed as follows: The last part of Holy Thursday - Good Friday-Holy Saturday - The first part of Easter Sunday

3. Why is Triduum important?

According to the *General Norms: 18*, Christ redeemed us all and gave perfect glory to God principally through his paschal mystery: dying he destroyed our death, and rising he restored our life. Therefore, the Easter triduum of the passion and resurrection of Christ is the culmination of the entire liturgical year. Thus, the solemnity of Easter has the same kind of preeminence in the liturgical year that Sunday has in the week.

In conclusion, the Triduum begins with Holy Thursday and ends with Easter. The mass begins on Holy Thursday and the final blessing (which is commonly the end of the mass) happens only on Easter.

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS:

St. Raphael School & Parish Program – **April 24, 1pm**
St. Paul School & Parish Program – **May 1, 1pm**

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATIONS:

St. Raphael School & Parish Program – **April 23, 2pm**
St. Paul School & Parish Program – **April 30, 2pm**

PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND ON

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 15: is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Christian sites of the Holy Land and to support the Church in the pastoral, educational, and social works that contribute to a sustained Christian presence in the land where Jesus the Christ once walked. This Pontifical Collection will be taken in the parishes during the Good Friday celebration. Those who are unable to attend the service are still able to contribute online by going to canadahelps.org and searching for "Commissariat of the Holy Land", or by Interac e-transfers to teresainte@bellnet.ca Receipts will be issued. On behalf of the Custody of the Holy Land, I sincerely thank you for your support, Fr. Robert Mokry, OFM Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada.

ALTAR SERVERS: The Altar Server Ministry is in need of new servers. Registration forms are now available online or at the parish office. Servers choose their preferred mass time and are asked to assist at special celebrations and masses throughout the year. Students in Grade 4 and up are welcome to register to volunteer with this ministry. New servers will have an opportunity to be trained and shadow serve before officially starting. Please consider assisting at the Table of the Lord as this is an important and rewarding ministry. For further information visit the parish website or contact the parish office at: straphaelburlington@hamiltondiocese.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE RELIGIOUS

ARTICLES STORE: The Religious Articles Store will be opening up again before and after the weekend masses. Volunteers are needed to help run the store at the Sunday 9am and 11am masses. If you are interested in assisting, please contact Angie Lappin by phone 905-333-5718 or email: chris.lappin@sympatico.ca



ST. RAPHAEL ANNUAL CHILLI

CHALLENGE: Come out for an evening of fellowship and fun on **Saturday, April 23, at 6pm**. Who will win the coveted Silver Spoon for the best chilli of 2022? Enter your chilli to win. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. If you prefer not to compete, come out to sample the amazing creations entered by your fellow parishioners and cast your vote. Please bring your own beer, wine, spirits, and soft drinks to this event. Tables seat eight so please bring your family & friends. Tickets **\$10 per person, children under 12** and **Chefs' tickets are free**, and will be available after each weekend mass in the welcoming area. Call the parish office for more information or email: Straphaelburlington@hamiltondiocese.com

HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN UKRAINE: Parishioners wishing to make a donation to help our brothers and sisters suffering through the Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis can do so by mailing a cheque to Knights of Columbus **Halton Columbus Charities** write in the memo line: **"Ukraine Relief" 4072 New Street Burlington L7L 1S9** (St. Raphael) or drop it off at the parish office. Your donations will help to supply medical aid, critical supplies, and shelter to Ukrainians You will receive a charitable donation receipt.

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