

# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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<b>OFFICE HOURS</b>	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](http://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

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HOTLINE

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](http://HamiltonDiocese.com) Holy Cross Vocations [www.holycrossvocationscanada.com](http://www.holycrossvocationscanada.com)  
Catholics Come Home [www.CatholicsComeHome.org](http://www.CatholicsComeHome.org) Vocations [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)



**Monday, April 25** - 9:00 am  
† John Carubba

**Tuesday, April 26** - 9:00 am  
† Frank McPhail

**Wednesday, April 27** - 9:00 am  
Ints. Arleen Gaspar  
\* *St. Raphael School Mass* \*

**Thursday, April 28** - 9:00 am  
Ints. Stella Block; Ints. Jonathan Fowler;  
† Merle Chenery; † Frank & Irene Gaspar;  
† Arthur & Kathleen Gravelle; † Steve Pustai Sr.  
\* *St. Raphael School Mass* \*

**Friday, April 29** - 9:00 am  
Ints. Thomas Pinheiro

**Saturday, April 30** - 5:00 pm  
Ints. Jasmine Leigh; Ints. Fr. Francis Salasari  
† Rodney Black; † Shirley Poliziani; † Godofredo Elegado;  
† Jim & Jean Byrne; † Christina R. Sobral-Gill

**Sunday, May 1**  
9:00 am For Our Parishioners  
11:00 am † Claire Fedeyko

**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.*

On the **Second Sunday of Easter**, as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, we get a picture of how the early community gathered around as "Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles." John's Gospel gives us two post-resurrection stories that feature Thomas, the doubting apostle. "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

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



**ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER:**  
**Pope Francis writes: "Many things have to change course, but it is we human beings above all who need to change. We lack an awareness of our common origin, of our mutual belonging and of a future to be shared with everyone! A great cultural, spiritual and educational challenge stands before us, and it will demand that we set out on the long path of renewal." LS#202**

Along with Easter and the Resurrection of Jesus, Spring is upon us and calling us to new life and a new start. What better way for us to "change course" than to take part in the many community events that Burlington offers.

"Green Up Clean Up" will take place this week in Burlington and will culminate on Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> with many activities and events in which families, friends, neighbourhood groups, schools and businesses can take part.

-Why not gather your family and friends and organize a clean-up event in your neighbourhood? -You and your family can join a "Green Up Tree Planting Event"!

-Plant a native tree, shrub or pollinator perennial at home or in your neighbourhood.

-Remove an invasive species plant from your own garden, yard or neighbourhood.

-Learn about pollinator plants and receive a free package of pollinator flowers.

You can do all of this and more! Check out

<https://www.burlingtongreen.org/programs/clean-up-green-up/> Burlington Green offers clean up supplies and a chance to register your clean up event. There is much information regarding pollinator plants and native species and shrubs. Gather together and bring your love of "Our Common Home" and our community and take part in making a change in our attitude about the Earth! We can all Change! Let's do it!!!

**IN OUR PARISH**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**



Easter Weekend, 2022

Easter Collection (114)	\$4,722
Sunday Collection (100)	\$4,045
Good Friday Collection (66)	\$1,987
Share Lent (5)	\$250
Loose	\$2,836
April Pre-Authorized Monthly Giving (74)	\$7,727

*Thank you for your continued support!*

**FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS:**



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

**CONFIRMATION CELEBRATIONS:**



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

**THANK YOU!** We would like to thank the parishioners who were involved in helping the whole parish community worship and pray during these sacred liturgies: *musicians, sacristans, decorators, altar servers, readers, communion ministers, ushers, collection counters, hospitality ministers, and maintenance staff.* May the risen Christ continue to bless you and your family.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** Thank you to everyone who donated flowers to adorn our church for the Easter celebrations. Thank you to the members of the decoration group for arranging the flowers so beautifully, helping our parish to share in the joy and new life of the Risen Christ!



**CENACLE PRAYER GROUP:** The Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle has resumed weekly in the St. Anthony room, please join us on Mondays after the 9am Mass. We pray the Rosary, read one of the messages given by our Lady to Fr. Gobbi from the book "To the Priests Our Lady's Beloved Sons", and make a consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. For more information contact Sylvia Heald at 905-632-4862.



**"THIRD SATURDAYS" BIBLE STUDY:**

Women of all ages join us via Webinar **May 21, at 9:30am**, for our monthly one-hour webinar igniting passion for reading the Bible and applying the Word to our lives. Refresh,

restore and renew our faith. No bible experience required. Pray and share together with other women. To sign up please RSVP to [michele@forgionegroup.com](mailto:michele@forgionegroup.com) or [leonyhettinger@bell.net](mailto:leonyhettinger@bell.net) See you soon.

**PARISH BREAKFAST – MAY 1:** Knights of Columbus



Council 5073 will be hosting PARISH BREAKFAST **Sunday May 1** after both the 9am and 11am Masses. Enjoy bacon,

scrambled eggs, sausages, home fries, pancakes, pork & beans, toast, juice, tea, and coffee. There are no tickets. Admission is by making a "donation" when you arrive at the Parish Hall door. Proceeds will be used by Knights of Columbus Halton Columbus Charities to help the people of Ukraine. Each breakfast sitting will be limited to 150 persons. Please register your family on the sheets in the Parish Main Lobby.

**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, contact Angie Lappin: 905-333-5718 [chris.lappin@sympatico.ca](mailto:chris.lappin@sympatico.ca)

**IN OUR COMMUNITY**

**HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY MASS:** The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to announce that the Spring Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington, will be held on **Saturday, May 14 at 11:00am.** Please be advised that this Mass will take place outdoors. All are welcome!

**LIFE TALKS CONFERENCE:** Join Halton Alive at the Life Talks Conference featuring Canadian leaders, experts and advocates for Life. Become a more effective ambassador for life this year by attending Life Talks and/or sponsoring a young person! Life Talks takes place from **9:30am – 4:30pm on April 30**, at St. George's Church, 4691 Palladium Way, Burlington. Tickets are available for \$35 (\$20 for students) at <https://www.haltonalive.ca/lifetalks> or by phoning: 905-632-3232



**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. All the funds raised will go to Knights of Columbus Councils in Poland and Ukraine so they can supply medical aid, critical supplies, and shelter to Ukrainians. Knights of Columbus worldwide have provided over \$11.5 million in Ukraine relief without any fees. You will receive a charitable donation receipt.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS 2022**

**REGISTRATION:** The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/> and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under Upcoming Events.

**MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH:** Warmer weather



brings with it "spring cleaning and maintenance" for our homes and gardens, so they can provide us with continued pleasure through the year. It is a perfect time to provide a little of that same maintenance to your marriage. Plan a quiet and relaxed time to talk about the care your marriage needs: are you spending enough time together, are you communicating well and on many topics, are you handling conflict in ways that won't harm your love, are there feelings that something is lacking? Take the time to ask what may need to be "tidied up" and then plan active solutions so that, like a well-maintained garden, your love will continue to flourish. (Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)



**SUNDAY FUNNY:** Hospital regulations require a wheelchair for patients being discharged. However, while working as a student nurse, I found one elderly gentleman already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he didn't need my help to leave the hospital. After a chat about the rules, he reluctantly let me wheel him down to the elevator. On the way down I asked him if his wife was meeting him. "I don't know," he said, "She's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown."



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