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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

closed on Statutory Holidays

MASS TIMES

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

CONFESSIONS

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

PRAYER BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS

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

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, every first and third Sunday at 1:00 PM
- For school aged children, after being catechized.
- For adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic call the office for more information.

WEDDINGS

Please contact us at least one year in advance.

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.

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

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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

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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Monday, April 30 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Chris Kiley

Tuesday, May 1 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Diane Svazas

Wednesday, May 2 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Frances Wentges

Thursday, May 3 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Erma Oterga; Ints. Robert Primorac;
Ints. Laura Mozina;
+ Doris Russell; + Peter Clarke; + Dr. Mary O'Conner

Friday, May 4
9:00 a.m. + Peter & Gerry Clarke
7:00 p.m. Mass of Thanksgiving

Saturday, May 5 at 5:00 p.m.
+ Brenda Undseth; + Marie-Therese Pinto;
+ Philomena Bocarro; + Alice Coimbra;
+ Garnet Kerr; + Paula Kerr

Sunday, May 6
9:00 a.m. + Jose & Margarida Rodrigues
11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Please pray for the following:

John Scharer	Molly Laporte	Maritza Garcia
Mary Berry	Nicola Izzi	Gonzalez
Doug Pudsey	Sarah Scharer	Michael Dowson
Frances Wentges	Vincent Stanford	Milan Heck
Peggy Evans	Jim Singer	Helen Wepler
Jill Ascah	Elizabeth Talatala	Jane Urquhart
Lee Olds	Shelly Sterling	Laith Yousif
Stephen Pustai	Asia Rae Landry	Maria Szkitalski
Michael Smart	Noah Landry	Mary Lilly
Denise Brooke	Rozalia Bereznavy	Bill & Lucie
Clive Ottaway	Sr. Rosalie Siegler	Jennings
	Barbara Kennedy	

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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Sunday, April 22 nd – envelope (296)	\$6352.00
- loose	\$326.00
Good Friday	\$50.00
First Communion April 15 th	\$380.00

Thank you for your continued support!

"I am the vine. You are the branches." On the **Fifth Sunday of Easter** we have the wonderful reading from **John's gospel** about Jesus as the vine. We are the branches that are pruned to bear more fruit. The powerful invitation is to remain connected with Jesus, that we might make our home in him, and bear much fruit.

*"Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's **Online Ministries** web site:
<http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html>
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ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER
Pope Francis writes: "...a throwaway culture which affects the excluded just as it quickly reduces things to rubbish. To cite one example, most of the paper we produce is thrown away and not recycled. A serious consideration of this issue would be one way of counteracting the throwaway culture which affects the entire planet..." Laudato Si' #22.

Start spring cleaning by reorganizing your wardrobe, de-cluttering, as well as planning your summer garden. Think green, recycle properly giving a second life to all your items; you can donate them to a charity such as Shifra Home or The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul.

<http://www.ssvphamiltonont.ca/ourstores.html>

FREE PICKUP: Call 905-549-3902.

Add a little greenery in your own home. Install a living air filter— A Houseplant! Some of the most efficient air-cleaning houseplants include spider plants, English ivy, rubber plants and peace lilies. **Think Green!!**



CWL Resolution: 2015.02 Ban Microbeads in Personal Care Products. We have just celebrated Earth Day. **Did you know that the Catholic Women's League passed this resolution** and presented it to Federal Government?

Plastic-non-biodegradable microbeads in personal care products have been identified as a source of pollution in waterways; therefore the CWL asked that it be added to List of Toxic Substances in Schedule 1 of the Canadian Environment Protection Act, 1999. Scientists have identified micoplastics which include microbeads as a major source of plastic pollution in the freshwater ecosystems of the Great Lakes. (Canadian Gazette) "Once in the environment, microbeads can be ingested by a wide range of organisms, such as fish, seals, and birds. Therefore, it is possible that microbeads enter the food chain". For more details, you can go to the website: <http://cwl.ca/resolutions-2015-02-ban-plastic-microbeads-in-personal-care-products/> **It will become law in June 2019.** The Catholic Women's League motto is: For God and Country. God has given us this beautiful world and it is everyone's duty to continue to protect it.

IN OUR PARISH



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION: National volunteer week was April 15th-21st. We would like extend our sincere thanks to all our volunteers!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Please join us to journey along with Bishop Robert Barron as he unlocks the truth behind the Catholic Church's most influential people. From St. Francis of Assisi to St. Catherine of Siena, from St. Thomas Aquinas to Michelangelo, all the way to Blessed John Henry Newman and G. K. Chesterton, Christ's Incarnation is on display through the minds and lives of his Church's members. Our Spring programme (7 sessions) runs from **May 2nd through to June 13th**, each **Wednesday evening 7 pm to 8 pm** (a 30-minute video followed by a 30-minute discussion) in the **Parish Hall.**



LADIES COFFEE MORNING: All Ladies are welcome to gather this **Wed. May 2nd** at **9:30 am** in the Hearth Room for coffee and fellowship.

ADORATION, PRAISE, WORSHIP AND MASS: Please join our parishioners in a church wide adoration and praise and worship on Friday, **May 4th** at **7 pm**. All are welcome to spend time with the Lord.

2018 BIBLE CAMP: July 9 – 13. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board at our parish entrance and on our parish website: www.straphaels.ca



60th ANNIVERSARY MASS: In honour of our 60th anniversary we will have a special Mass on **June 3rd** at **11 am**. There will be a parish BBQ and games at the park after the Mass.



CHRISTIANS ON A JOURNEY CALENDAR:

Please join us for the following events:

Sun, Apr 29, 7PM – Taize Service, Port Nelson United

Mon, May 14, 7:30PM – Prayer Meeting, New Street CRC, 3416 New St.

Mon, Jun 11, 7:30PM - Prayer Meeting, St. Raphael
Please call Wilma or Frank Malick for info 905-870-0641.



12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE:

All are invited to join in prayer and solidarity for good palliative care in our hospitals and community being held at our

parish on May 8th. This is an annual initiative by the Canadian Catholic Women's League of Canada. You are welcome to join us for any part of the day or support us in prayer throughout the day.

- 8:30 - 9:00 Rosary in the church
 - 9:00 - 9:30 Mass in church
 - 9:30 - 10:00 Coffee and baked goods in parish center
 - 10:00 -11:00 Value of Life (DVD presentation) and discussion in parish center
 - 11:00 - 2:00 Silent Prayer in Adoration chapel: sign name for prayer time
 - 2:00 - 2:30 The Way of the Cross: Reflections on Suffering and Sickness
 - 2:30 - 3:00 Prayer for Caregivers in church
 - 3:00 - 3:30 Divine Mercy Chaplet in church
 - 4:00 - 6:30 Silent Prayer in Adoration chapel: sign up to pray
 - 6:30 - 7:00 Quality End of Life Care (presentation)
 - 7:00 - 8:30 Presentations by Speakers in Parish hall:
 - Providing comfort in end of life: Carla Floriani, Occupational Therapist, St. Peter's Hospital, Hamilton
 - Supporting end of life at home: Jane Langlotz, Care Coordinator, Palliative team, LHIN
 - End of Life Care, Carpenter Hospice: Nigel Jacobs and Dave Dyson, Carpenter Board of Directors
 - Partnership between Palliative Care and Funeral Service: How to get started with planning a funeral: Tom Flannery and Kathy Dandie, Dodsworth and Brown Funeral Home
- Donations accepted for Carpenter Hospice, Burlington*



CARD PARTY: Fundraiser for the Homeless. Welcome all men and women to the card party which will be held **on Thurs. May 3rd** at **7 pm** in the **parish centre**. Make up your foursome and order your tickets of **\$20.00** each by calling Lesley @ 905-512-2477 or Helen @ 905-634-7481.



PHOTO DIRECTORY: One Final session on **May 2nd** for Ministry Group Photos and any families who were unable to participate earlier. Contact **Liz Leonard** at **905-634-3836**.

COMPARISON BETWEEN TWO GENERATIONS:

A youngster asked his father: How did you people live before with:

- No access to technology; No aeroplanes;
- No internet; No computers; No dramas; No TVs;
- No air cons; No cars; No mobile phones?

Dad replied :

- "Just like how your generation live today":
- No prayers; No compassion; No honor; No respect
- No character; No shame; No modesty;
- No time planning; No sports; No reading

We, the people that were born between 1940-1985 are the blessed ones. Our life is a living proof:

- ☞ While playing and riding bicycles, we never wore helmets.
- ☞ After school, we played until dusk. We never watched TV.
- ☞ We played with real friends, not internet friends.
- ☞ If we ever felt thirsty, we drank tap water not bottled water.
- ☞ We never got ill although we used to share the same glass of juice with four friends.
- ☞ Nothing happened to our feet despite roaming bare-feet.
- ☞ Our mother and father never used any supplements to keep us healthy.
- ☞ We used to create our own toys and play with them.
- ☞ Our parents were not rich. They gave us love, not worldly materials.
- ☞ We never had cellphones, DVDs, play station, Xbox, video games, personal computers, internet chat - but we had real friends.
- ☞ We visited our friend's home uninvited and enjoyed food with them.
- ☞ unlike your world we had Relatives who lived close by so family time and ties were enjoyed together.
- ☞ We may have been in black and white photos but you can find colourful memories in those photos.
- ☞ We are a unique and the most understanding generation, because *we are the last generation who listened to their parents*. *Also , the first who have had to listen to their children.* and we are the ones who are still smarter and helping you how to use the technology that never exist while we were your age!!!

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