ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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

Fr. Frank Wagner, C.S.C. - Pastor Fr. Francis Salasiar, C.S.C. - Associate Pastor Mr. Cristian Lecanda - Youth Minister

> Mrs. Rosanne Nusca - Office Manager Ms. Maureen Lawlor - Office Assistant

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Tues & Thurs

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Sunday closed on Statutory Holidays

MASS TIMES

CONFESSIONS

PRAYER BEFORE

WEEKDAY MASS

8:00 AM in the Adoration Chapel

PERPETUAL ADORATION

We encourage you to spend some

time with our Lord in the Blessed

Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel, anytime, day or night.

8:30 AM Rosary in the church

Saturday Sunday Mon - Fri

Saturday

5:00 PM 9:00 AM

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

or by appointment

WEDDINGS

Please contact us at least one 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM vear 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

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 Cathoic 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

The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com Please visit these websites: Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.HamiltonDiocese.org

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 15 at 9:00 a.m. + Stan Perlikowski

Tuesday, August 16 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Andrew Heald

Wednesday, August 17 at 9:00 a.m. + Aurelio & Walter Muscat

Thursday, August 18 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Chilston Lowry; + Joseph Downey;
Ints. Siegfried & Brigitte Gawlina;
Ints. Bob & Cathy VanHeukelom

Friday, August 19 at 9:00 a.m. + Joseph Ngo Van Phien

Saturday, August 20 at 5:00 p.m. + Diana Raposo; + Valerja Smulus Ints. Rose Hughes; Ints Ann & Joe Longo

> Sunday, August 21 9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners 11:00 a.m. + Betty Baylis

Monday, August 22 at 9:00 a.m. + Hermann Stegen

Tuesday, August 23 at 9:00 a.m. + Byron Chambers

Wednesday, August 24 at 9:00 a.m. + Victoria Balasta

Thursday, August 25 at 9:00 a.m. + Bill Smith; + Michael Sharpe; + Ivan Thomas; Ints. Denise Ford

> Friday, August 26 at 9:00 a.m. + Sue Boucher

Saturday, August 27 at 5:00 p.m.

+ Jim Maloney; + Bob LePinay

+ David Lane; Ints John Miles

Sunday, August 28

9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners 11:00 a.m. + Godofredo Elegado

Please pray for the following:

Isabelle Wild
Martin Dawson
John Scharer
Mary Berry
Doug Pudsey
Sylvia Gzik
Rosy Santos Perez
John O'Boyle

Molly Laporte Nicola Izzi Sarah Scharer Vincent Stanford Jim Singer Catherine Gee Elizabeth Talatala Laith Yousif

Barbara Kennedy Maritza Garcia Gonzalez Michael Dowson Milan Heck Helen Weppler Jane Urquhart

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.

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You are invited to visit our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StRaphaelsParishBurlingtonOntario

TWENTIETH DAY OF THE LORD IN ORDINARY TIME

Have you seen those "**photo-mosaic**" **pictures of Christ**? Hundreds of small pictures of different people making up the face of Christ. Today's Gospel is much like those contemporary, high-tech portraits; as we listen to Jesus describe the difficult consequences of preaching the Kingdom. He's come, he says, to **set a fire on the earth**, to receive a painful baptism, to create division among family members. As the message is preached, those who cannot accept it will find themselves in opposition to Christ.

So how are these troubling words from Jesus like those multi-faceted portraits? Well, as we listen and look to Jesus in today's Gospel, I believe we're also seeing the many faces of the early Christians for whom Saint Luke preached and wrote the Gospel. They must have faced **persecution from outside—a harsh baptism of fire** and divisions internally, as these first-century followers of Christ tried to put into practice his message.

Can we find our own faces there as well? To preach the Gospel will sometimes mean placing **ourselves in opposition to prevailing opinion**, and even in opposition to values held by our families and friends. We can take some consolation in knowing that **other Christians have endured it before us**; **and, more importantly, Jesus himself.** *Fr. Greg Friedman OFM*



A SPECIAL WELCOME to anyone visiting St. Raphael Parish this summer. We pray that you have a safe and restful summer and know that we welcome you throughout the year.

BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC: Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Are you a Catholic who has not received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation, or do you know someone who is a Catholic but has not received these Sacraments? Then maybe the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the place for you or them. Every year thousands of adults are welcomed into the Roman Catholic Church through the RCIA process. The RCIA is a series of instructions, faith development and rituals designed to help adults and older children become full members of the Catholic Church. Classes begin in late September and end in April. For more information please contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

MISSION APPEAL: Please return your donations to Father Bernard Bañares on behalf of the Diocese of Legazpi in the Philippines. Please ensure your envelope number or name and address is on the envelope. To date we have collected \$3,895.00. Thank you for your generosity.

57	OFFERTORY COLLECTION	
La h	Sunday, July 31st	\$6,369.00
130	Sunday, August 7 th	\$5,985.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER Pope Francis writes; "when media and the digital world become omnipresent, their influence can stop

people from learning how to live wisely, to think deeply and to love generously. In this context, the great sages of the past run the risk of going unheard amid the noise and distractions of an information overload." **Laudato si #47**

Do you remember the **Great Black Out of 2003** that occurred in the Northeast and Mid US and the province of Ontario on August 14/2003? Many of us have experienced a major power outage. Think about what you did to pass the time and to cope without electricity. Why not experience a **Turn IT OFF Day or Week** in your home this week? Reconnect with your family and friends! Visit outdoors with neighbours. Take the kids outdoors and play games! Go for a nature walk/hike and reconnect with the Earth! Turn off and unplug your electronic devices and leave your cell phone at home!

SUMMER BULLETIN and OFFICE HOURS: Please **pick up** a bulletin on the following dates: *August 14*, and *August 28*. A reminder that the parish office is <u>closed</u> on Thursdays and Fridays until September.



BOTTLE DRIVE: Please continue to support our ongoing bottle drive by placing your clean, empty liquor and beer bottles in the designated bins. Thank you for your

contributions! To date we have raised \$934.10!

CHRISTIAN INTERFAITH MEETING: St. Raphael Parish hosted a lovely evening opened and closed by Father Francis from St. Raphael and lead by Anneke Kramer from NEW STREET CRC. A presentation of the upcoming international week of prayer in January was shown. We started with "they'll know we are Christians by our love"....verv inspiring! We all knew it and loved it. We talked, we dreamed, we prayed for one another and for all the churches on New Street. We finished by going "upstairs" into the sanctuary where we stood in a huge circle around the altar, (about 50 people) holding hands and praying together the Lord's prayer. The next meeting will be in September, Lord willing, and we are looking forward to that. In the meantime, we have committed ourselves to praying for each one of the churches on New Street, ministries, leadership and the People in our neighbourhoods. Please keep an eye in the bulletin for the date. Questions? Please call Wilma or Frank Malick at 905-870-0641.

A PILGRIMAGE RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS: In this year of Mercy, join other young adults (18-39) as we explore how to live the call to mercy in prayer and service with the Sisters of St. Joseph in their Hamilton home. **August 26-28** from 4:30 p.m. on the 26 to 1:30p.m. on the 28. As pilgrims, we will pray, serve, reflect and learn about living mercy. Cost \$150 including meals and accommodation. (if you don't require accommodation, cost is \$65.) To register contact: Vanessa N. Schmidt at: faithconnections@csj-to.ca, 416-467-2645, www.faithconnections.ca. For more details call Cristian, Youth Minister, at the church office (905-637-2346) **PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND:** March 5 – 14, 2017 (10 days) Under spiritual leadership of **Fr. Francis Salasiar C.S.C.** Tel Aviv, Galilee, Tiberias, Capernaum, Cana, Judea, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Masada. Cost of \$2,349 includes air transportation from Toronto (airport tax not included), hotel accommodation, breakfast and dinner daily, all sightseeing with English speaking guide. For further details pick up a flyer and registration form or contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING AT ST. RAPHAEL PARISH

Pre-Authorized Giving allows those who wish to have their monthly donations debited directly from their bank accounts. St. Raphael Parish has had this program in place since November 2015.

Why Should I Participate? • Convenience: Your offering is deducted from your account once each month and automatically deposited in the Parish account. • You can plan your giving in advance for the whole year. • You can continue to support the Parish when you are away. *Advantages for St. Raphael Parish*: • A regular, dependable flow of contributions to the church, <u>especially over the summer holiday months.</u> • A reduction of processing time for the Volunteers who count the collection every Sunday.

We respect that giving is a very personal thing, but we hope the implementation of this optional plan will be a source of convenience for you. Brochures are available in the parish entrance or in office.

Are you a catechist? If you pass on the faith in children's sacramental prep, RCIA, your own family, adult faith groups, a Catholic school, correspondence courses, marriage prep, or other parish groups... then YOU are a catechist! Join us **September 17th at the Notre Dame Convent**, 2:00 – 4:30 pm for our retreat "*Announcing the Mercy of God*". For more info or to register visit www.hamiltondiocese.com – Year of Mercy Events or by phone 905-528-7988 ext 2238 (Monica) There is no cost to attend but registration is required as space is limited.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: If you are interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith or obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. For more information contact Rocco at 905 637 1220 or 905 464 0562.

KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS: "Keys" is a ten week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Thursday evenings from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. **starting September 22**, at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. The cost is \$45.00. For more information, please call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

FREE COURSE: Don't miss Halton Alive's latest **Alive & Kicking 101** course. Sign up today! Monday nights **Aug. 8-29** from 7-9pm at Heritage Fellowship Baptist Church in Ancaster. <u>www.haltonalive.com/alive-kicking-101</u>. **Liturgical Publications** 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 (800) 268-2637

