

# 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
	Tues & Thurs	6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
	Saturday	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
	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

## CONFESSIONS

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

## 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](http://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 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

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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*

Please visit these websites: The Diocese of Hamilton [HamiltonDiocese.com](http://HamiltonDiocese.com)  
Catholics Come Home [www.CatholicsComeHome.org](http://www.CatholicsComeHome.org) Vocations [www.HamiltonDiocese.org](http://www.HamiltonDiocese.org)



**Monday, August 29** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Aileen Maguire

**Tuesday, August 30** at 9:00 a.m.  
Ints. Joe & Marg Drennan

**Wednesday, August 31** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Vojko Pesa

**Thursday, September 1** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Michael Sharpe; Souls in Purgatory;  
Ints. Irene Krawchuk; Ints. Marie Semeniuk

**Friday, September 2** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Stella & Stanley Musial

**Saturday, September 3** at 5:00 p.m.  
+ Barbara Pustai; + Antoinetta Mauro  
Ints. Eileen Tauskela; + Sylvia Walker

**Sunday, September 4**  
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners  
11:00 a.m. + Stella Musial

**Please pray for the following:**

Isabelle Wild	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
Martin Dawson	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
John Scharer	Sarah Scharer	Gonzalez
Mary Berry	Vincent Stanford	Michael Dowson
Doug Pudsey	Jim Singer	Milan Heck
Sylvia Gzik	Catherine Gee	Helen Weppler
Rosy Santos Perez	Elizabeth Talatala	Jane Urquhart
John O'Boyle	Laith Yousif	

*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, August 14<sup>th</sup> \$ 4,639.00  
Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> \$ 4,396.00

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish.*

**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.

**DID YOU MOVE OVER THE SUMMER?** Please provide the office with your new address. Thank you!



**LADIES COFFEE MORNINGS** will resume on **Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>** at 9:30 a.m. in the St. Francis Room.

**TWENTY-SECOND DAY OF THE LORD IN ORDINARY TIME**

If you enjoy a good meal then you're right at home in the Gospel of Luke—and more importantly, in the company of Jesus himself. A theme of Luke's Gospel "**table fellowship.**" That's theological talk for the simple act of eating and drinking with people, as Jesus does in today's Gospel account. But Luke's concern with dining has to do with **who is present at the meals**—not the menu or the table settings! I suspect that in Luke's Christian community, there were issues about who could participate in the Eucharist. Were distinctions being made among rich and poor? Between famous and nobodies? Luke recalls a story of a time when **Jesus was a table guest of a leading Pharisee.** The Lord challenges his listeners—and his host—to allow others to take the seats of honor. They must welcome the poor, those who are disabled, those who cannot repay the invitation.

Saint Luke used this story to challenge the table fellowship of his own Christian communities, at their Eucharistic gatherings. Let's examine ourselves as we gather for Sunday Mass. How do we treat one another? **How welcoming are we** to those who are different in status or wealth? Our positive response means we're truly at home in the company of the Lord.

*Fr. Greg Friedman OFM*



**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.

**THANK YOU!** This has been a very hot and dry summer. Our gardens and lawns have also felt the heat. Thanks to all who made sure that sufficient water and care was given to our beautiful gardens to help this little corner of God's creation of beauty flourish. **Fr. Frank**

**REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP UPDATE:** The Refugee Committee of St. Raphael Parish has recently been matched with a Syrian Family of three currently residing in Turkey. It is likely that the family will arrive in Canada in September or October. They are in need of short term accommodation on arrival. If you can help in this regard please contact Committee Chair, Bob Peeling, at 905-875-7483. We will continue to keep you updated.

**BOOMERANG CARDS:** Bridge and euchre sessions will resume on **Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 p.m. in the parish centre.



**ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER**  
**Pollution, waste and throwaway culture:** *Pope Francis writes: "some forms of pollution are part of people's daily experience." L.S #20 "Account must be taken of pollution produced by residue. Each year, hundreds of millions of tons of waste are generated, much of it non-biodegradable...." Laudato si #21*

We are sadly coming to the end of summer and school will begin in a few short days! Many of us are busy shopping to prepare our children for the return to school. When shopping, carry your own shopping bag and **avoid using plastic bags** to carry items. Also, if your child will be taking a lunch or snack to school be sure to purchase or use **re-usable containers** to store lunches and a **re-useable water/drink bottle** labeled with your child's name. Place lunches and snacks in a good sturdy lunch bag. Be mindful of sending **waste free lunches and snacks** so that your child can participate in waste free lunch days at school. This will help them to be conscious of creating less waste, to respect our Planet Earth, and **Stay Smart and Think Green!**

**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, especially over the summer holiday months. • 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.

**RETREAT –September 23-25, 2016:** There is a silent retreat for men and women at Manresa, Pickering, from Friday evening on September 23 until lunchtime on Sunday 25th. The Spiritual Director will be Fr Michael Coutts S.J., and the topic is *"I called God 'Where are you?'"*. For more details, please contact Manresa at 905-839-2864 (office hours) or [pickmanresa@rogers.com](mailto:pickmanresa@rogers.com), or until 30 August, Jonathan Fowler at 905 634-0248.

**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 17<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.

**THE PARABLES OF MERCY:** A senior adult workshop series, 6 Wednesday afternoons starting **Sept. 28**, 1:30 – 3:30pm. Chancery Office, Hamilton Facilitated by David Dayler. Cost: \$25 includes text. In this 6 session program, we will study many of those parables familiar to us. We will be invited to look at them in a new way, recognizing ourselves in the stories. In our personal reflections we will see the powerful force that is God's mercy, his fierce love for us & how God fills our hearts with unbridled pardon. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 to register by Sept. 21 or check out our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for more information.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY WORKSHOP/RETREAT DAY: Saturday October 15, 2016** 10:00am - 2:30pm Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. Cost: \$30 includes lunch & patterns. Are you involved or would like to start a Prayer Shawl Ministry in your parish? Consider joining us for this day of sharing, reflection & prayer while we work yarn with knitting needles or crochet hooks! Please bring a pair of 8mm knitting needles or a crochet hook & some yarn. Explore the many possibilities this ministry has to offer. Patterns & lunch are included at this workshop/retreat. Please register by Oct. 11. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for more information.

**FILM NIGHT!** Join **Halton Alive** at St. Matthew's Parish Oakville on **Tuesday, August 30** at 7:30pm (after mass) to see the ground breaking film HUSH. Is there a connection between abortion and breast cancer? Premature birth? Psychological trauma? Find out in this pro-information documentary that investigates the hidden facts. Suggested donation at the door of \$10 to help cover costs, includes popcorn & drinks! SEATS LIMITED. Please RSVP on the Facebook event @HaltonAlive, or email [info@haltonalive.com](mailto:info@haltonalive.com), or call (905) 632 3232.

**FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM 2016-17**  
 The "Foundations for Ministry" Program is a course designed to offer lay Catholics the opportunity to learn more about the foundations of our Catholic faith: Church history, scripture, morality, sacraments and prayer. This foundation is useful to parishioners who serve in a variety of ministries. The course will be offered in Hamilton **starting Sept. 8 2016**. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 or visit [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for registration forms.

**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.



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