# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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



Served by the Holy Cross Fathers Fr. Francis Salasiar C.S.C. - Pastor

SPES UNICA Fr. Roshan D'Souza C.S.C. - Associate Pastor

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Anna-Marie Grimminck - Office Manager Ms. Maureen Lawlor - Office Assistant

OFFICE HOURS Mon-Fri

 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 Sunday Mon - Fri

Mon - Fri 9:00 AM

5:00 PM

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

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, any weekend Mass.
- For school aged children, after being catechized.
- For adults interested in becoming Roman Cathoic 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

# 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.comHoly Cross Vocations www.holycrossvocationscanada.comCatholics Come Homewww.CatholicsComeHome.orgVocations www.HamiltonVocations.com



Monday, February 3 at 9:00 a.m. + Gerald Chambers Feast of St. Blaise

Tuesday, February 4 at 9:00 a.m. + Al Clarke

Wednesday, February 5 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Jim & Marlene Cox

Thursday, February 6 at 9:00 a.m. + Al Clarke; + Jude Malone; + Phyllis Starrs; + Bob Brechin

> Friday, February 7 9:00 a.m. + Jude Malone 7:00 p.m. + Stanley Musial

Saturday, February 8 at 5:00 p.m. + Epifanio & Nora Braganza; + Joe Nedelko; + Gertrude Ferris; + Brenda Undseth; + Tony Markes; + Jude Malone

> Sunday, February 9 9:00 a.m. + John McCarthy 11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

#### Please pray for the following:

John Scharer Mary Berry Doug Pudsey Peggy Evans Jill Ascah Lee Olds Stephen Pustai Michael Smart Kyle Elliott Karen Beeho Pat Malcolm Elizabeth Elder Michael Colameco Joseph & Madeleine Zucco Nicola Izzi Sarah Scharer Jim Singer Elizabeth Talatala Asia Rae Landry Noah Landry Alison Zierl Rosario Herve Jill Olds Joanne Pringle Aileen Smith **Robert Connelly** Jones Rodney Barbara Fisher Laurie Suddaby Frank Sicoli

Barbara Kennedy Maritza Garcia Gonzalez Milan Heck Helen Weppler Jane Urquhart Laith Yousif Mary Lilly Vincent Stanford Lucie Jennings Frank Clarke Marie Bond Ron Robertson Gary Olds Helen Sheehan Rev. Fred 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 a.m.



#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday, Jan. 25 <sup>th</sup>	- Envelopes (256)	\$4912.00
-	- Loose	\$353.00
	- Building Fund (67)	\$794.00
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Thank you for your continued support!

On the **Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**, we celebrate the Feast of the **Presentation of the Lord**. It celebrates Mary and Joseph bringing their baby, Jesus, to the temple and their remarkable encounters with both Simeon and Anna. Simeon tells them, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel," while Anna "gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem."



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER Pope Francis writes: "The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all. At the global

level, it is a complex system linked to many of the essential conditions for human life. A very solid scientific consensus indicates that we are presently witnessing a disturbing warming of the climatic system. In recent decades this warming has been accompanied by a constant rise in the sea level and, it would appear, by an increase of extreme weather events, even if a scientifically determinable cause cannot be assigned to each particular phenomenon." Laudato Si #23

Just a few weeks ago scientists revealed that the last decade has been the hottest period in the history of our earth! Over the last month, we have all looked on in horror as large swaths of land in Australia have burned as a result of the immense forest fires that have been directly linked to climate change! There has been a dreadful loss of human life as well as the loss of a billion animals. In some cases, the fires may render some species of animals extinct. Each of us plays a part in the rising temperatures in our world!

Did you know that in the Greater Toronto Hamilton Area the Region of Halton has the highest per capita carbon emissions in Ontario. We are responsible for 41% of emissions in the province. Sources of carbon include natural gas, used to heat homes and water and carbon emissions from vehicles. (<u>https://taf.ca/gtha-carbon-</u> <u>emissions/halton/</u>) What can we do?

**Lessen Vehicle Emissions:** Avoid idling e.g. Avoid excessive car warming in winter, resist using the drive through at fast food restaurants, plan your trips to eliminate unnecessary vehicle trips, carpool or use public transit when possible, walk or cycle.

Lessen Home Heating Emissions: Consider lowering your home thermostat .5 of a degree and wear a sweater. Consider lowering the temperature a notch on your natural gas water heater. Remember to lower the thermostat in your home and on your natural gas water heater if you are away for a period of time or on vacation. For more ways to help tackle climate change visit https://theconversation.com/5-ways-families-can-helptackle-climate-change-126512?utm\_medium=email&utm \_campaign=Latest%20from%20The%20Convers

#### IN OUR PARISH

There will be a special mass on **Monday**, **February 3<sup>rd</sup>**, at **9 am** for the Feast of St. Blaise where it is customary to have The Blessings of the Throats.



FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING: Monday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm in the church.



**CHRISTIAN MOVIE NIGHT:** This month join us on **Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm** in the **Parish Centre** for **"St. Peter"** rated PG - not recommended for young children. Saint

Peter is a film about the life and work of Saint Peter from the crucifixion of Jesus to his own.



LADIES COFFEE MORINING: All Ladies are invited this Wed. Feb. 5th at 9:30 am in the St. Francis room for coffee and fellowship.

JOURNEY OF FAITH: Everyone is welcome to attend Feb. 5th at 7pm in the Parish Center. This week's topic is the Sacraments of Matrimony and Holy Orders. In the life of Christ, we see and hear about love being poured out for the other. It is in giving that we receive and become our best selves. So, at the heart of the Church's life are these two sacraments that celebrate the priority of love given in service of others. Come to enhance your knowledge about these two sacraments of service.

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

CHRISTIANS ON A JOURNEY: All are welcome for fellowship and prayer. For any questions, please call Wilma or Frank 905-870-0641. Port Nelson United Church Sun. Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm 3132 South Dr., Burlington Mon. Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm Port Nelson United Church 3132 South Dr., Burlington Mon. Mar. 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm CRC Christian Reform Church 3416 New St., Burlington St. Raphael Church

Mon. April 13th 7:30pm



**CONFIRMATION RETREAT:** There will be a retreat for all those who are going through the sacrament of Confirmation this year at our Parish on **Tuesday**, **February 11<sup>th</sup>** from 8:45am until 1pm in our Parish Centre.

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FAMILY SKATING PARTY: St. Raphael Parish is hosting a free family skate at Appleby Arena, Rink 1 (1201 Appleby Line, Burlington) on February 17th, from 12 pm to 1 pm. Fr. Francis and Fr. Roshan invite you, your family and your friends to bring your own skates and enjoy this free event.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the winners of the CWL gift baskets – Gabriella, Laurie and Sally. A big thank you to all who entered the quiz in support of the 100 year celebration of the Catholic Women's League in Canada. Reminder - next general meeting will be on Tues. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm in the Parish Centre.

MEN'S IGNATIAN RETREAT: March 20th - 22nd The 40<sup>th</sup> annual St Raphael Men's Retreat will be held at Manresa, 2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering. This year's topic will be "Rooted and Grounded in Love." The way of Redemption and Freedom by Fr. John Sullivan, S.J. For details please call Jonathan Fowler 905-634-0248, or Fiona, 905-839-2864.

**2019 TAX RECEIPTS:** Please pick up your 2019 tax receipt located in the parish welcoming area by the elevator, sorted alphabetically by last name. Please double check your name and address to ensure you are taking the correct envelope.

FORMED: we have renewed our parish membership of Formed for all parishioners to use. Formed provides amazing content 24/7 for you to grow in your faith. It's FREE and EASY to Register. If you haven't registered, Go to: https://straphaelparishburlington.formed.org. Under create a new account look for our parish name then click "Next". Enter your name and email address. Now you are all ready to access the inspiring and engaging content on FORMED!



#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION:

Members of the SSVP will be collecting donations after all Masses next weekend. SSVP envelopes are available at back of the church for those who would like income tax receipts at the end of the year.

#### IN OUR COMMUNITY

ONE BURLINGTON'S CELEBRATION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH: on the Friday of World InterFaith Harmony Week, Feb. 7th from 7pm to 9pm - including entertainment, food and social time in the auditorium of Port Nelson United Church, Burlington. This is a free event open to all, please bring a canned good if you can. To ensure seating, email OneBurlingtonEvents@gmail.com

VALENTINE'S DINNER/DANCE: Saturday, Feb. 8th Holy Rosary Church, 287 Plains Rd. E. Burlington. The Knights of Columbus welcome all (19+) to enjoy an evening with dinner, dancing and fellowship. Cocktails 6:15pm, dinner at 7pm. Tickets \$40 per person available from Ron or Susan Lehocki at 905-521-9445.

**DEVELOPMENT & PEACE:** This Lenten season D&P and Pope Francis invite us to reach out and encounter migrants and refugees, to make a commitment to really go toward others, to stop, listen and really see them. To learn how to foster a culture of encounter in your parish or school attend a SHARE LENT WORKSHOPS: Mon. Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, St. Raphael Parish Hall, (4072 New St, Burlington) **7pm - 9pm** Tues. Feb. 19th, Annunciation Parish Hall (280 Limeridge Rd. W, Hamilton) 7pm - 9pm.

DAY of PRAYER: St Catherine of Siena (Corpus Christi Site), Hamilton. Fri. Feb. 14th from 9am to 2:30pm (mass 9am). There is Tea, coffee & muffins on arrival. Bring a bag lunch & coffee mug. To register please e-mail sssperthshire@sympatico.ca or call 905-388-3966.

THE BURLINGTON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "RELIVE THE BIG BAND SWING ERA": Sun. Feb. 23rd, 2pm to 4:30pm at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre. An afternoon of music "Relive the Swing Era" featuring the Toronto All-Star Big Band. \$45 per ticket. Reserve your seat by calling the BPAC box office at 905-681-6000 or by going to the website at www.burlingtonpac.ca.

WINTER ESCAPE MARKETPLACE: St. John's Church Hall, 2016 Blairholme Ave, Burlington. Sat. Feb. 29th 10am to 2pm. Beat the winter blues! Visit St. John's church's first ever vendors' marketplace!



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