

# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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, any weekend Mass.
- 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](http://www.TheCatholicCemeteries.ca)

## PARISH SCHOOLS

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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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## 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Monday, February 24** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ David Drennan

**Tuesday, February 25** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Charles Copelin

**Wednesday, February 26** at 9:00 a.m.  
9:00 a.m. + Helene Pepers  
12:00 p.m. + Nancy Simpson  
7:00 p.m. + Ed Castellano

**Thursday, February 27** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Ed Castellano; + Al Clarke;  
+ Father Tim Hingston; + Jerry Ponikvar

**Friday, February 28**  
9:00 a.m. + Antonia Dortmans  
7:00 p.m. + Michael Tunney

**Saturday, February 29** at 5:00 p.m.  
+ Jonathan Anderson; + Ed Castellano; + Emil Komac;  
+ Joan Wilson; + Nancy Simpson

**Sunday, March 1**  
9:00 a.m. + Francis Onuska  
11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

**Please pray for the following:**

John Scharer	Nicola Izzi	Barbara Kennedy
Mary Berry	Sarah Scharer	Maritza Garcia
Doug Pudsey	Jim Singer	Gonzalez
Peggy Evans	Elizabeth Talatala	Milan Heck
Jill Ascah	Asia Rae Landry	Helen Weppler
Lee Olds	Noah Landry	Jane Urquhart
Stephen Pustai	Alison Zierl	Laith Yousif
Michael Smart	Rosario Herve	Mary Lilly
Kyle Elliott	Jill Olds	Vincent Stanford
Karen Beeho	Joanne Pringle	Lucie Jennings
Pat Malcolm	Aileen Smith	Frank Clarke
Elizabeth Elder	Robert Connelly	Marie Bond
Michael Colameco	Jones Rodney	Ron Robertson
Joseph & Madeleine	Barbara Fisher	Gary Olds
Zucco	Laurie Suddaby	Helen Sheehan
Heather Allen	Frank Sicoli	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, Feb. 16 <sup>th</sup>	- Envelopes (225)	\$4496.00
	- Loose	\$472.00
	- Seminary Education (2)	\$20.00
	- New Years (1)	\$50.00
Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	- Pre-Authorized Giving (55)	\$5716.00

*Thank you for your continued support!*

On the **Seventh Week of Ordinary Time**, Jesus gives us one of the biggest challenges to living the Christian life: Love Your Enemies. "I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well."

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**ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER**  
*Pope Francis writes: "Humanity is called to recognize the need for changes of lifestyle, production and*

*consumption, in order to combat this warming (of the climate) or at least the human causes which produce or aggravate it. ... a number of scientific studies indicate that most global warming in recent decades is due to the great concentration of greenhouse gases (carbon dioxide, methane, nitrogen oxides and others) released mainly as a result of human activity." Laudato Si' #23 continued*

**Did you know:** "The number one reason people don't make sustainable changes in their lives is because they feel their efforts won't have an impact. While it's easy to be overwhelmed by the feeling that our world is rapidly deteriorating beyond our control, in fact everyone has the ability to positively impact the environment—starting today! One of the easiest ways to do this is to start with the food you eat. Specifically, a simple switch to a plant-based diet just one day a week results in enormous savings of our planet's resources." (Stormgeo.com)  
Are you tired of feeling that there is little that you can do to make a positive contribution to the climate change crisis? Have you ever considered **Meatless Mondays?**  
**Did you know?** Each time we skip meat at a meal it is the equivalent of not driving 10 kilometers. Therefore, if 1000 Canadians skip meat each Monday it is the equivalent of 10,000 kilometers. Now multiply that by 52 Mondays a year and we have a whole lot of carbon emissions eliminated from the atmosphere!

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### IN OUR PARISH



**ASH WEDNESDAY:** On **February 26<sup>th</sup>**, Ash Wednesday, we will have Mass and Distribution of Ashes at **9am, 12 noon and 7pm**. We will also have a prayer service at 10:45am at St. Paul School and 1:15pm in the church with St. Raphael School which will include the marking of ashes. All are welcome. *Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.*



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** every **Friday at 7pm** during lent we will have the stations conducted by different ministries of our parish, followed by a Mass.

**February 28<sup>th</sup>** – Catholic Women's League

**March 6<sup>th</sup>** - St. Vincent de Paul Society

**March 13<sup>th</sup>** - The Lectors

**March 20<sup>th</sup>** – Eucharist Ministers

**March 27<sup>th</sup>** - Knights of Columbus

**April 3<sup>th</sup>** – Social Justice Committee

\*On **Good Friday** (April 10<sup>th</sup>) we will have the dramatization of the stations at **8 pm**.



**HALTON ALIVE PRESENTATION:** All are welcome to join CWL and Knights of Columbus for an evening to learn about the activities of Halton Alive on **February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm** in our **parish center**.



**CONFIRMATION CLASS:** Our 3<sup>rd</sup> confirmation class will take place on **Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm** in the **parish centre**. We ask **all grade 7 students** preparing for confirmation, to attend.

Confirmation Rite of Commitment will take place during **all masses** on the **weekend of March 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>** for all grade 7 students enrolled for Confirmation with our parish this year.



**CHRISTIAN MOVIE NIGHT:** Join us on **Mon. March 2<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm** in the **St. Francis Room** for **"I Can Only Imagine"** rated PG-thematic elements,

some violence. An inspiring, true story behind Mercy Me's beloved hit song. Running from a troubled home life and a broken relationship, Bart Millard found escape in music. This is an uplifting, music-filled movie that beautifully illustrates the power of forgiveness and God's love.

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

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - LOOKING AHEAD TO LENT:** The seeds of justice are growing at St. Raphael! You generously signed petitions and saved stamps in support of Our Common Home and our neighbours in the Amazon. As Lent begins, we invite you to discover how you can grow closer to God by growing closer to His Creation and His people around the world. Watch our parish bulletin and the bulletin board for weekly information during Lent.

**CWL LENTEN PROJECT 2020:** this year the CWL is asking parishioners for donations of school supplies. Canadian Food for Children – Dr. Simone's charity is in desperate need of school supplies such as: pencils; sharpeners; rulers; erasers; lined paper and writing booklets. Backpacks are also needed. Dr. Simone just returned from Africa and saw children writing with pencils no longer than ½ inch. Beginning Sat. Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> to March 28<sup>th</sup>, please place your donations in the designated box in the welcome area. You can't miss the sign! Thank you in advance for your generous support.

**FORMED:** Formed provides amazing, inspiring and engaging content 24/7 for you to grow in your Catholic faith. It's FREE and EASY to Register. 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.

## IN OUR COMMUNITY

**WINTER ESCAPE MARKETPLACE: St. John's Church hall, 2016 Blairholme Ave, Burlington. Sat. Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> 10am to 2pm.** Visit St. John church's vendors' marketplace! More than 20 vendors! Visit the tea room to enjoy tea and scones with preserves & Devonshire cream.

**ST. JOHN'S CWL LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER:** All women are invited to attend St. John's CWL Lenten Day of Prayer on **Tues. March 3<sup>rd</sup>, at St. John the Baptist Parish, Burlington.** The day begins with Mass at 9am and concludes with Benediction at 1:45pm. The facilitator is Father Peter Ciallella. The cost is **\$15** (includes lunch & refreshments.) For more info. phone Marie 905-637-1677.

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY: Sat. March 7<sup>th</sup>.** Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for youth. St. Paul the Apostle (2265 Headon Rd. Burlington) is organizing a bus to leave from their parking lot at a fee of \$5 per person. To take the bus and/or order tickets for this event at **ST. PAUL** church office. The payment for the bus (and for the ticket if you want one) MUST be made at the same time as you register. For more info call Celia Lobo, 905-319-2526.

**LENTEN RETREAT: Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Stoney Creek** will be hosting a Lenten Retreat with Rwandan Genocide Survivor's message of FORGIVENESS, HEALING & HOPE. Witness the life-saving power of faith and the Rosary, as she huddled with 7 other women in a cramped bathroom for 91 days while killers lurked outside the door. **Fri. March 13<sup>th</sup>, 4-9pm; Sat. March 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am-12:30pm.** Registration: [www.immaculee.com](http://www.immaculee.com) click on "shop/events" then select "Retreats".



**ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY: Fri. March 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick Church, 196 Kenwood Ave.** Featuring Irish Stew Cook Off. Music by Ian MacDonald Dancing and Singalongs. Cash Bar. Tickets are **\$20 for Adults and \$10 for Children.** For more info. and tickets call St. Patrick Church Office at 905-632-6114.



**40 DAYS FOR LIFE:** Help save lives. Join the vigil. 40 Days for Life is an effective method of prayer, fasting and outreach which has saved more than 16000 lives and saved their families from the pain of abortion. You can help change hearts and minds in Oakville from **Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> to April 5<sup>th</sup>.** Go to [40daysforlife.com/Oakville](http://40daysforlife.com/Oakville) for maps and details, or contact Steve Germann at 905-333-6472. There will be group prayer at the vigil site, weekly at 10am on Saturday mornings, starting Feb 29<sup>th</sup>.



**LIFE TALKS CONFERENCE:** presented by Halton Alive. **March 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> at St. George Church** (4691 Palladium Way, Burlington). \$75/per ticket (early bird and group rates see website). This conference features a film screening of Unplanned on Friday night and Canadian Pro-life movement speakers on Saturday. Details & registration: call/text 365-366-3232 or visit [www.haltonalive.ca/lifetalks](http://www.haltonalive.ca/lifetalks).

**THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OF THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON:** offers burial and cremation services throughout the Halton Region, and is pleased to announce that Holy Family Catholic Cemetery located at 2523 Lower Base Line Road is now open. For more info. on burial and cremation options offered by the Catholic Cemeteries, please call their office at 1-800-661-5985, or visit [www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca).



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