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SPES UNICA

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
		<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.

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

PARISH SCHOOLS

- Assumption High School
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- St. Paul's Elementary
905.632.1424


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905.681.6394

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

The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org
Vocations www.HamiltonVocations.com

Mass Intentions 

(† = Deceased Intention; Int = Intentions of...;
Thx = Thanksgiving Hlg = Healing)

Mon. Feb. 26, 9am	† Jason Starchuk
Tue. Feb. 27, 9am	Int. Maria Mendoza
Wed. Feb. 28, 9am	† Daniel Lenover
Thu. Feb. 29, 9am	Int Merci Tiamson
Hlg John Dowson	Int Levi Janik
Int James Fraser	† Msgr. John Weber
† Pietro Vairo	† Souls in Purgatory
Fri., Mar. 1, 9am	† Ethel Karcz
Fri., Mar. 2, 6:30pm	† Warren Chenery
Sat. Mar 2, 5pm	Int. Clare Penfold and brother Tom
Int Paul Irimpan	† Cupertino Felisco
† Marion MacKenzie	† Geraldine Poirier
† Peter Lavryssen	† Souls in Purgatory
Sun. Mar 3, 9am	Int Lily Kelner
Sun. Mar 3, 11am	For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

February 18, 2024

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Please pray for:

Tom Olds Chrisa Vlahopoulos
John Bate Vincent Stanford
Sean Hayes Gwen Bate

Names on this list will remain for a period of four weeks to allow space for other names. Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GATHERING FEBRUARY 25 AT NOON IN ST. FRANCIS ROOM:

Welcome all women this Sunday. Our focus will be on lent activities and plans on theme of service (Isaiah 6:8)

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Please pick up your envelopes in the parish entrance, by the elevator. Please note some envelope numbers have changed for the New Year to reduce waste. Please refrain from using previous year's envelopes, many numbers have changed and your account may not be credited with your donation. For assistance, please contact the office.

MEN'S RETREAT NIGHT: All men of the parish are invited to attend a retreat during Lent. The retreat will be on **Tuesday, February 27**, starting at 7:00pm. Father Shaji, Mission Coordinator for the Holy Cross Family Ministries in Canada, will conduct a presentation on his current mission. This will be followed by two short videos: "Into the Breach – The Soul of the Family and Spiritual Warfare". Fraternity and refreshments to follow. For more information, please email Rennie Milne at wmilne3473@sympatico.ca



LIFT HIGH THE CROSS: WOMEN'S LENTEN REFLECTION MORNING MARCH 2ND: Come and have a morning of prayer and reflection on the Cross and Christ's loving sacrifice for our salvation.

Presentation on St John's Bible from a representative of Hamilton Diocese. Meditation on the Gospel of Luke. Scriptural rosary on the sorrowful mysteries. Bible reflections for lent.

All women are welcome to join us in the parish center from 9:30am to 11:30am, on Saturday, March 2, then join us for mass at 11:30am. followed by a soup and bun lunch. Free event sponsored by St. Raphael's Catholic women's league. Sign up after all masses in the welcoming area this weekend. Any questions, contact Leony (289-795-1559) in evenings/weekend.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC OR LEARNING MORE ABOUT YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH?

Then maybe the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the place for you. The RCIA journey introduces the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church through a series of prayerful reflections, video presentations, faith sharing and small group discussions designed to help participants to become full members of the Catholic Church. Classes (usually 75 minutes long) will continue on **Wednesday, February 28st** with the topic "**A Love that Lasts: Discovering Authentic Love**" All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact the parish office.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION -WEEKEND MASSES: "Service is the sign of true love. Those who love know how to serve others." - Pope Francis

We have a need for volunteers to serve as EMHC at our Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 9 am Masses. For more information, please contact Mike or Patricia McConnell, mconn54@gmail.com , 905-333-9727 (H).



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Friday evening during lent at **6:30pm** we will have the Stations of the Cross conducted by different ministries of our parish. A celebration of mass will follow the Stations of the Cross.

- March 1st** – Youth and Young Adults Group
- March 8th** – Catholic Women’s League
- March 15th** – Music Ministry & Handmaids of the Lord
- March 22nd** - Prayer Groups & Knights of Columbus

On **Good Friday, March 29th**, we will have the dramatization of the Stations of the Cross at 8pm.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE is a focused 40-day campaign of prayer, fasting, and a peaceful vigil, for the first 40 days of Lent, held near the Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital, at Proudfoot Trail and Dundas Street in Oakville. Will you dedicate an hour to changing hearts and minds of all who see you? We keep vigil in a small group, while holding a sign offering help and hope to pregnant women and anyone needing post abortion support. For more information see www.40daysforLife.com/Oakville or contact Stephen Germann, 905 333 6472



Lent & Holy Week Schedule

FRIDAY EVENINGS

6 30pm - Stations of the Cross
7pm - Mass

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, March 23, Mass at 5pm
Sunday March 24, Mass at 9am and 11am

HOLY WEDNESDAY – March 27

7pm – Tenebrae Service

HOLY THURSDAY –March 28

6pm – Soup Supper
8pm – Mass

GOOD FRIDAY – March 29

12 noon – Solemn Liturgy of the Word
3pm – Solemn Liturgy of the Word
8pm Stations of the Cross Enactment

HOLY SATURDAY – March 30

11am – Blessing of the Food
8pm – Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY – March 31

8:30am – Mass
10am – Mass
12 noon – Mass

**THE YEAR OF MINISTRY: FEBRUARY 2024
DEDICATION FOR MARRIED COUPLES**

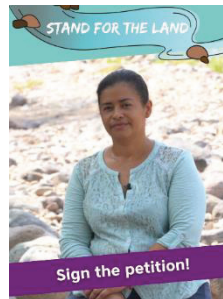
“Marriage is a precious sign, for when a man and a woman celebrate the sacrament of marriage, God is, as it were, ‘mirrored’ in them; God impresses in them God’s own features and the indelible character of God’s love. Marriage is the icon of God’s love for us.”

- From Pope Francis’ Amoris Laetitia
During this year of the Ministry, in the month of February, thank you for praying for those preparing for marriage, married couples, couples experiencing difficulties, widowed, divorced, separated and those preparing for Marriage and young families.

We invite all the members to pray daily for all the couples: Let us continue to pray for married couples and those who support them on their journey. Let this be a special opportunity to celebrate the sacrament and give thanks for those who strengthen our communities through their loving commitment to God, their family and one another. We thank you for your witness of God’s love among people. We have 80 couples who have registered for the Renewal of Marriage Vows.

Feb 24/25th: Marriage Sunday: During the Weekend Masses we will be inviting couples to a Renewal of their Marriage Vows with a special blessing and distribution of Certificates. *“Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate”* (Mark 10:9)

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE — SHARE LENT 2024
Last chance to sign the *Stand for the Land* petition**



Today is the deadline for signing a letter to Honduran ambassador to Canada asking her government to protect those who are fighting to defend forests and rivers in a Honduran national park against pollution from a mine. The letter is part of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada’s last fall campaign.

Over 20,000 Canadians have signed it in solidarity with these struggling communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector. Join the effort and add weight to our demands. Sign now at devp.org/act. Thank you for your solidarity!



LIFE TALKS CONFERENCE: Halton Alive presents a full day conference that addresses challenging pro-life topics.

Date: **Saturday** March 23

Cost: \$40 (lunch & refreshments included)

Location: St George’s Church,
4691 Palladium Way, Burlington

Details and registration: www.haltonalive.ca/lifetalks or call 905-632-3232.

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