

ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

TOGETHER IN GOD'S REIGN

4072 New Street (corner of New St. and Longmoor Dr.) Burlington, ON L7L 1S9
 Tel: 905.637.2346 Email: office@straphaels.ca Website: www.StRaphaels.ca



Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

Fr. Frank Wagner, C.S.C. - Pastor

Fr. Francis Salasiar, C.S.C. - Associate Pastor



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
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.

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

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

905.681.6394

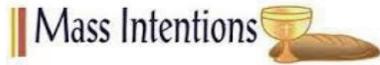
Archangel St. Raphael "God is my Healer"

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 Holy Cross Vocations www.holycrossvocationscanada.com
 Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.HamiltonVocations.com

**EIGHTH DAY OF THE LORD IN ORDINARY TIME
TOGETHER IN GOD'S REIGN**



Monday, February 27 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Sharon Clark

Tuesday, February 28 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Theresa Buttery

Wednesday, March 1 at 9:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m. Ints. Irene Veiga
12:00 p.m. + Priscila Esperat
7:00 p.m. + Joseph Tortola

Thursday, March 2 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Lucy Adams; + Lina Vacca;
+ Ed Krukowski; + Charles McGlynn

Friday, March 3 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Lily Kelner

Saturday, March 4 at 5:00 p.m.
+ Amparo Gutierrez Pareja; + Betty Nedelko
+ Evelyn Harris; + Michael Dawson

Sunday, March 5
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners
11:00 a.m. + Sylvia Gzik

**LENTEN /EASTER /PENTECOST SEASON 2017
SERVING IN THE REIGN OF GOD**

Our celebration of this Lent/Easter/Pentecost season is a **foretaste of the fulfilment of all God's creation participating in the enlightenment and transformation begun in the Paschal Mystery.** It prepares us to share fully in the eternal glory of God. Therefore, our liturgies must elicit a grateful and joyous response... **a foretaste, as it were, of the glorious Beatific Vision.**

Lent is a sacred time to renew our baptismal call to share more deeply in the mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Lent is the season to **deepen our own baptismal covenant while accompanying our catechumens and candidates in their preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation.**

The **Ash Wednesday** scripture readings invite us to the process of conversion, turning (metanoia), a change of heart toward the Lord with all our hearts, as we give alms, pray and fast. Jesus in Matthew's gospel gives these as central ways of acting as His servant-disciples. The **Sacred Triduum** (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Paschal Vigil) celebrates the Christian Passover, the Paschal Mystery of Jesus the Christ, the Suffering and Glorious Servant of God. However, the liturgical season does not end with Easter. The **Feast of Pentecost** celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the beginning of the Church as the sign, foretaste and instrument of the Reign of God.



ASH WEDNESDAY: MARCH 1, 2017

We will have **Mass at 9 a.m., 12 Noon, and 7:00 p.m.** We will also have a *prayer service* at 10:45 a.m. at St. Paul School and at 1:15 p.m. in the church with St. Raphael School. The marking with ashes will occur at the three Masses and prayer services. There will also be an Ecumenical Celebration at Holy Cross Lutheran Church at 7 p.m. *Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.*

LENTEN BOOKLETS: You are encouraged to pick up "*Living Lent with Love*" by Pope Francis, located in the parish entrance. A \$2.00 donation is suggested to cover the costs of the booklets.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Each Friday during Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross in the Church following the 9:00 a.m. Mass and in the evening at 7:00 p.m.

LENTEN PROJECT - The Catholic Women's League will be supporting *Dr. Simone's "Canadian Food for Children"* charity. From March 4/5 to March 25/26 week-ends, we are asking our parishioners to donate for the **children**, ages 1 to 12 years of age - underwear, both tops and pants. They must be new and still in packages. For the **mothers**, we are requesting sewing kits or sewing utensils such as thread, needles, scissors, etc. They don't need to be new. Please place your donations into the box in the Welcoming Area. For more info, contact Helen @ 905-634-7481 or thesheehanes@gmail.com

Please pray for the following:

Isabelle Wild	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
John Scharer	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
Mary Berry	Sarah Scharer	Gonzalez
Doug Pudsey	Vincent Stanford	Michael Dowson
Rosy Santos Perez	Jim Singer	Milan Heck
John O'Boyle	Catherine Gee	Helen Weppler
Frances Wentges	Elizabeth Talatala	Jane Urquhart
Diane Svazas	Maria Szkitalinski	Laith Yousif
Peggy Evans	Irene Groves	Michael Colameco

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, February 19th \$ 4,856.00

Thank you for your continued support!

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING AT ST. RAPHAEL PARISH

If you are interested in this method of giving, please pick up a form in the parish entrance or the parish office. *The monthly collection for February was \$4,931.00.*

MUSIC MINISTRY: It is with gratitude that we thank **Anthony Cheam** for the years of musical energy and prayerful commitment to the ministry of leading us in the music of our worship to God. He has gathered us in the unity of sacred song twice a month during the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Liturgy. May the Lord continue to bless him, his family and his career as a motivational speaker. *Gerry Tesolin*, who has, for many years, been a faithful music minister and cantor, has accepted to lead us in song each Saturday, accompanied by *Angela Kim*, our excellent keyboardist.



ST. RAPHAEL EVERGREEN CORNER

Pope Francis writes: "Pollution and waste and the throw away culture:

Account must also be taken of the

pollution produced by residue, including dangerous waste present in different areas. Each year hundreds of millions of tons of waste are generated, much of it non-biodegradable, highly toxic and radioactive, from homes and businesses, from construction and demolition sites, from clinical, electronic and industrial sources. The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth." Laudato si #21 "These problems are closely linked to a throwaway culture which affects the excluded just as it quickly reduces things to rubbish."

Laudato si #22

From plastic bags to pesticides - most of the waste we produce on land eventually reaches the oceans, either through deliberate dumping or from run-off through drains and rivers. This includes: solid garbage e.g. plastic bags, balloons, plastic bottles, and other forms of plastic wrappers. Plastic garbage, which decomposes very slowly, is often mistaken for food by marine animals. High concentrations of plastic material, particularly plastic bags, have been found blocking the breathing passages and stomachs of many marine species, including whales, dolphins, seals, puffins, and turtles. Plastic six-pack rings for drink bottles can also choke marine animals. Plastic garbage can also return to shore, where it pollutes beaches and other coastal habitats.

Did you know that the oceans are home to 80% of all life on earth? About 300,000 marine species have been identified living in our oceans! Some marine scientists think that there are at least double that number and possibly 10 million species on the ocean floor alone! (On Care of Our common Home Laudato si: The Encyclical of Pope Francis on the Environment, Commentary by Sean Mc Donagh P.95)

These are but a few reasons to stop using plastic bags. Instead use refillable grocery bags or carry cloth bags that can be washed and reused! Check out more reasons to ban plastic bag use: www.conserve-energy-future.com/reasons-why-plastic-bags-should-be-banned.php **Did you know that any clean plastic bag can be recycled at Food Basic and at Fortino's? Why not gather any clean plastic bags that you have accumulated and drop them off in their recycling bins?**

DINNER FUNDRAISER: SATURDAY MARCH 4TH

Students from the various Culture of Life Clubs of the Halton Catholic School Board are hosting a Dinner Dance in the St. Raphael Parish Centre in order to raise funds to subsidize their trip to the **Annual March for Life** Event in Ottawa. Tickets are \$25 and include a wonderful dinner, coffee and dessert. There will also be a cash bar and 50/50 draw. Tickets will be on sale after masses.



LADIES COFFEE MORNING: All ladies are welcome to gather on **Wednesday, March 1st**, for coffee and fellowship following the 9 a.m. Mass in the St. Francis Room.

ST RAPHAEL'S FIRST CHILI CHALLENGE: MARCH 25

Get your money ready... tickets go on sale starting March 5th. Tables of 8. Tickets are \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. If you wish to enter your chili to have a chance to win a prize please contact Renata @ 905-637-2457 or galwayrenata@gmail.com. The event is licensed to bring your wine or beer, glasses will be available. Join us for a night of delicious food and lots of fun!

THANKSGIVING FOR WOMEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION

2017: With gratitude I wish to thank all who contributed to the Women's Day of Reflection held on February 4th here at St. Raphael's. The uplifting spiritual day centered on the theme of Forgiveness and over 100 women were registered. We were blessed with teaching from Miriam Wright and enjoyed the play Prodigal Daughter by Elisa Lollino. Thank you to Father Frank for presiding the Mass and his support for this day. Thank you for all who contributed including setting up/ clean up, kitchen volunteers, choir members, decorating, gifts and programs. A big thank you to all the committee members. Look forward to our 8th annual Women's Day of Reflection in February, 2018. *Leony Hettinger*

CENACLE ROSARY GROUP: Please join us for the Rosary every Monday morning after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the St. Anthony Room. The Rosary forms part of the Cenacle of the Marion Movement of Priests and is centered round the Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Through our Consecration to Mary, we open our hearts to our Mother and allow her to lead us to her Son, Jesus and so along the path to holiness and ultimately to Heaven. Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact Sylvia Heald 905-632-4862

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: March 1 - April 9 (8am to 8pm)

Pray as a family this Lent. Join this peaceful, and effective International Prayer Movement. Our prayer community has helped to save 12,668 women's lives. You make a difference - Choose a prayer time from 8am to 8pm. Visit: www.40daysforlife.com/Oakville Email: 40daysforlife.oakville@gmail.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Saturdays @ 10am & Sundays @ 3pm - Hour of Group Prayer (Oakville Hospital) March 20th at 7pm - Mass for Life with Bishop Miehm at St. Dominic's (Oakville) April 9th at 3pm - Final Day Group Prayer outside the Oakville Hospital.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2017 - On

Friday, March 3rd join our neighbours in celebrating the WDP at Holy Rosary Church, 287 Plains Rd., E @ 1:30 p.m. or for the

evening service at Appleby United Church, 4407 Spruce Ave. @ 7:00 p.m. Too often, women have the intimate experiences of armed conflict, violence, social injustice, and human rights violations. What might Canadians learn from women of the Philippines, a country on the front lines of climate change, foreign mining and resources interests, a regional insurgency and social upheaval due to migration, who wrote the World Day of Prayer 2017? How will we answer the question, "Am I being unfair to you?" For more information, contact Helen Sheehan @ 905-634-7481 or email at thesheehanes@gmail.com

MrComputer.ca®
 specializing in on site service for all your computer needs
905-923-0525
 25 Years Experience

Elsa's
 Esthetics - Electrolysis - Laser
 Full Spa Services & A Relaxing Atmosphere
 www.elsaesthetics.com
 3455 Fairview St. 905-631-6605

JUS B' GAUZE
 Ladies Cruisewear
 4019 New St.
 905-333-1071
 www.jusbgauze.ca

HEPBURN ELECTRICAL & CONTRACTING LTD.
 RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL-INDUSTRIAL
 26 - 5100 SOUTH SERVICE RD.
 (905) 681-3737
 terry.tjhep@gmail.com

Shopping Locally Saves Gas

SMITH'S FUNERAL HOMES
 FAMILY OWNED SINCE 1938
 Burlington • Grimsby
 Stoney Creek
905-632-3333
 www.smithsfh.com

SD ACCOUNTING
 Bookkeeping & Secretarial Services
Sheryl Bender
 info@sdaccounting.ca
905.319.8300
 3370 South Service Rd. Suite 306
 sdaccounting.ca

DP Complete Home Renovations
 FREE ESTIMATES
 BASEMENTS BATHROOMS FLOORING PAINTING TRIM WORK

Dan Paron
905-399-0614

FORTINOS
 Your Supermarket with a head!
 Proudly serving our Community for over 25 years!
 New Street • 905-631-7227
 Thank you for your patronage!

Paulene Marchong, BBA
 Sales Representative
905.825.7777
 paulenemarchong.com
 Not intended to solicit buyers & sellers currently under contract

ALDO'S HAIR DESIGN
 "Exclusive, But Not Expensive"
 Complete Family Hair Care
 435 Goodram Dr. @ New St.
905-681-1567

ROYAL LEPAGE
 REALTY PLUS, OAKVILLE BROKERAGE
 INDEPENDENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED

Kudady
 Transportation Corp.
 Flatbed Trailer Delivery and Moving Service for Business
 www.kudady.com

FRAMING 4U
 Custom Framing
 Fine Art • Art Classes
 3300 Fairview St. (Cumberland Square)
905-639-5551
 www.aplusframing4u.com

CARMEN'S HAIR STUDIO
 4055 New Street
905.639.2430
 www.CarmensHairStudio.com

Spotless DRY CLEANERS
 If it's Not Clean • It's Not Spotless
905-333-5619
 www.SpotlessDryCleaning.com

THE PERFECT SPOT TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS!

TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE PLEASE CALL 1-800-268-2637

At "the Fortino's plaza".

 your pet - your store

Shop LOCAL • Spend LOCAL Eat LOCAL • Enjoy LOCAL
 and support the local businesses that support your parish

MACKERETH CONTRACTORS
 Interior/Exterior Renovations
Darryl Mackereth, Project Manager
905-208-4116 MackerethContractors.com

Dodsworth & Brown Funeral Home - Burlington Chapel
 by Arbor Memorial
 2241 New Street, Burlington • www.dbburlington.ca
 Call today for your FREE Info Kit: 905-637-5233
 Serving Burlington for over 50 years. Tom Flannery, Managing Director & Parishioner

DR. EMMA YU
 COSMETIC & GENERAL DENTISTRY
 NEW PATIENTS WELCOME
3077 NEW ST. (EAST OF GUELPH LINE)
905-637-1883
 WWW.DREMMAYU.COM

ROYAL LEPAGE
 BURLOAK REAL ESTATE SERVICES
 INDEPENDENTLY OWNED & OPERATED BROKERAGE
Jeanne Bucci, B.A.
 Sales Representative/Parishioner
 Top 3% in all of Canada for Royal LePage
 Bus: **905-634-7755**
 www.jeannebucci.com

Brant Florist
 461 Brant St. 2010 Maria St.
905-639-7001
 www.brantflorist.com

Put Your Feet in Our Hands!
Morris Zoladek, D.P.M.
 Burlington's Only Podiatrist serving the city for over 30 years
 Tender Medical Treatment
 Podiatrist • Nail Care • Diabetic Foot Care
 Orthotics • Orthopaedic Shoes
The Burlington Foot Clinic
 22-1960 Appleby Line at Upper Middle above the Walk In Clinic
(905) 681-2388

Remember...
 Let our advertisers know you saw their ad here.

Dominos Pizza
 495 Walker's Line @ New St.
 Dominos.ca

BRECHIN & HUFFMAN LAWYERS
GREGORY BRECHIN, B.A., LL.B.
 Parishioner
 • Real Estate & Mortgages
 • Corporate, Commercial & Business Law
 • Wills, Powers of Attorney & Estates
 • Other Legal Services
(905) 681-2476
 gbrechin@bhhlaw.net
 109-3365 Harvester Rd., Burlington

Marilus Market
4025 New St.
MarilusMarket.com

ROCCA SISTERS & ASSOCIATES
 Sales Representatives
 Sisters, Best Friends... Partners
 Parishioners
 OUR RELATIONSHIPS RECOMMEND US IN REAL ESTATE

SUB CORNER
 495 Walker's Line @ New St.
 Subs, burgers & more
 Subcorner.ca

Vincent Adam's Barber Shop
 Adult \$16, Senior \$14
 Walk In Anytime
 1253 Silvan Forest Dr. #3
905-335-5680

OFFICE 905.335.3042
 info@roccasisters.ca
 www.roccasisters.ca

Brad May's Automotive
 Honest & Reliable Service
 Free local towing with repairs
905-637-3495
 750 Darlene Cr. Owner/Technician/Parishioner