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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
<i>closed on Statutory Holidays</i>		

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 PM
 Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
 Mon - Fri 9:00 AM

WEDDINGS

Please contact us at least one year in advance.

CONFESSIONS

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

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.

PRAYER BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS

8:00 AM in the Adoration Chapel
8:30 AM Rosary in the church

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

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.

PARISH SCHOOLS

- Assumption High School 905.634.1835
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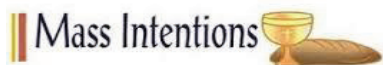
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Archangel St. Raphael "God is my Healer"

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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Monday, February 28 - 9:00 am
 † Liza Castro

Tuesday, March 1 - 9:00 am
 Ints. Rev. Ranjan D'Sa

Ash Wednesday, March 2
 9:00 am † Ed Krukowski
 12:00 pm † Angela Teilinger
 7:00 pm † Cenka Kosir

Thursday, March 3 - 9:00 am
 Ints. Lily Kelner; † Niki Boyko
 † Margaret Moffat; † Milan Kastelic;
 † Jim Regan

Friday, March 4
 9:00 am – Ints. Chris Noon
 6:30 pm † Mary Dung

Saturday, March 5 - 5:00 pm
 Ints. Audrey Weiss; † Rodney McCarthy
 † Asuncion Javillo Salud; † Rick Powell
 † Leonida Tenorlas; † Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, March 6
 9:00 am - For Our Parishioners
 11:00 am † Stephanie Fredo



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.**" **LS#23**

Single Use Plastics are not only a source of pollution in the oceans but also contribute to the amount of garbage that does not decompose. Considering efforts to recycle single use plastics, the majority of single use plastics end up in landfill sites.

Here are **7 Ways to Immediately Eliminate Single Use Plastics from our lives!**

***Say no to plastic straws!** Carry your own stainless steel recyclable straw. In Canada we use 57 million plastic straws a day-they are not recyclable.

***Carry and use a refillable water bottle.** More than half of plastic water bottles end up in the garbage!

***Carry your own refillable coffee cup.** 4 billion Starbucks coffee cups are thrown away each year and the black plastic lids from disposable coffee cups are not recyclable.

***Use a reusable bag when shopping:** canvas or nylon is best: they can be washed. *In Canada we use over 9 billion plastic bags each year.*

***Instead of plastic bags for produce bring your own reusable/washable cotton or mesh bags.**

***Bring your own containers for leftovers** when dining out and when ordering take-out food.

***Use bar soap** instead of liquid soap in plastic bottles.

If we all resolve to make a few sustainable changes in our lives, we can protect the environment and live healthier lives.

Story of Plastic

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iO3SA4YyEYU>

IN OUR PARISH

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



February 20, 2022

Envelopes (83)	\$2,266
Feb. Building Collection (9)	\$408
Loose	\$28
Seminary Collection (3)	\$22

Thank you for your continued support!



JOURNEY OF FAITH: There is no Wednesday evening class this week, please come to one of our Ash Wednesday Masses instead



ASH WEDNESDAY: On **March 2**, Ash Wednesday, we will have mass and distribution of ashes at **9am, 12 noon and 7pm**. All are welcome. *Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.*

Please pray for:

Jasmine Leigh	Joseph & Madeleine	James Cook
Emma Goodale	Zucco	Milan Heck
Vanessa Rodrigues	Sarah Scharer	Frank Sicoli
Albert Rodrigues	Elizabeth Talatala	Rolando Mabalay
John Scharer	Asia Rae Landry	Helen Weppler
Doug Pudsey	Noah Landry	Jane Urquhart
Peggy Evans	Alison Zierl	Laith Yousif
Lee Olds	Rosario Herve	Mary Lilly
Stephen Pustai	Jill Olds	Vincent Stanford
Michael Smart	Joanne Pringle	Marie Bond
Kyle Elliott	Robert Connelly	Ron Robertson
Heather Allen	Jones Rodney	Gary Olds
Maritza Garcia	Barbara Fisher	Helen Sheehan
Gonzalez	Laurie Suddaby	Nicola Izzi
Tom 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 morning.

On the **Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time** in **Luke** we hear Jesus give us some important teaching. He challenges "blind guides." He warns against seeing the splinter in someone else's eye without noticing our own blindness. Jesus tells us that it the fruit we produce that is important. "For every tree is known by its own fruit."

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Prayer/ Used with permission.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: On March 2nd we begin the season of Lent, marking ourselves with the symbol of ashes on our forehead. Even though it might seem to be a time of mortification, when properly understood, it stands as a time of grace and a holy season. The mother church offers us a time, set apart to reflect on the special, sacrificial love that God has for us.

So, it is also a **Time for a Change of Heart.** Lent gives us time to consider our response to the Gospel's call to love of God and neighbor: the New Law of Christ, written on our hearts by the Spirit at Baptism. Our Lenten prayer is thus one of repentance for sin, which fails to meet the demands of charity. It asks for a change of heart, that God might restore in us the heart of Christ, bestowed at Baptism.

It is also a **Time for Renewing our Trust.** The resurrection experience of Jesus tells us that in him, we can trust that the Father will raise us in the power of the Spirit from the small deaths we so often seem to undergo during Lent, so that we might joyfully celebrate the fullness of life that is our inheritance through Baptism, at Easter.

So, dear brothers and sisters, I invite you to take this time to feel and experience the love that God has for us. We could experience this in various ways. For instance, being gentle with each other, showing the love of God to others, being mindful and intentional in our actions. Another important way is to participate in the liturgies of Lent, the stations of the cross, the Eucharist, fasting, and obstinence. I particularly invite you to participate in the tradition of walking the stations of the cross and reflecting the love that Christ has for us. During the season of Lent, we have mass on Friday evening as well, starting at 6.30 p.m. followed by the stations. May this season of lent be a blessing for you and your family. Happy season of Lent.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Friday evening during lent at 6:30pm we will have a mass followed by the Stations of the Cross. **March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8.**

IN OUR COMMUNITY



THIS LENT, LET'S PUT PEOPLE AND PLANET FIRST: This year, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's People and Planet First campaign calls you to support our sisters and brothers in the Global South in defending their rights and the planet. Do this by: donating online at www.devp.org/give or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on April 3, the fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 85

projects in 27 countries around the world! Learning more by reading the Mini-magazine and other resources available at devp.org/lent/resources. Signing the petition for strong laws to control Canadian corporations' behaviour abroad at www.devp.org/act

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: is a peaceful campaign that seeks to draw attention to the abortion issue by undertaking three distinct actions during the 40 days of the campaign: encouraging prayer and fasting in support of life, constant quiet and respectful prayer vigils outside of places that provide abortion, and education for community, family, and friends on the issue. In Hamilton Diocese the **40 Days for Life campaign** will run throughout Lent, **March 2 – April 10.** Click: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/oakville> to find out more about the campaign in your area.



SPRING FLOWERS INITIATIVE:

Join Halton Alive in touching the hearts of 6,200 residents of long-term care and retirement homes through our 2022 Inspire Hope Campaign!

Volunteers needed to make and deliver 6,200 homemade Spring flowers! Includes discussion starters for parents, teachers and youth ministers to spark conversation about the value of the vulnerable in our society. Sign up at www.haltonalive.ca/inspirehopeflowers or contact Tawnya Stanus 905-632-3232



ONLINE SPRING AUCTION: Support life-affirming education! Participate in or donate to Halton Alive's online Spring Auction. This will be an ideal opportunity for finding Easter or Spring decor or that special something for Mother's and Father's Day!

Dates: March 21-24

Details: <https://www.haltonalive.ca/springauction>

Or call Tawnya at 905-632-3232



"THIRD SATURDAYS" BIBLE STUDY:

Women of all ages join us via Webinar **March 19, at 9:30am**, for our monthly one-hour webinar igniting passion for reading the Bible and applying the Word to our lives.

Refresh, restore and renew our faith. No bible experience required. Pray and share together with other women. To sign up please RSVP to michele@forgionegroup.com or leonyhettinger@bell.net See you soon.



SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL – TWINNING: For the past 10 years or so, the St. Raphael Conference of SSVP has been twinned with the Mother of the Saviour

Conference in Santo Domingo Este in the Dominican Republic. The conference has approximately 12 members who assist 75 families with 290 persons with food and medical expenses; transportation costs mostly related to medical appointments and procedures; and clothing and educational expenses. Thank you to all our parishioners, with whose support we have been able to assist the efforts of a small group of Vincentians who do wonderful work in their Dominican parish.

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