

# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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SPES UNICA

<b>OFFICE HOURS</b>	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](http://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

## 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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Vocations [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

**Mass Intentions** 

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

Mon. Feb. 5, 9am	Int Marlene Cox
Tue. Feb. 6, 9am	† Zeljko Repecki
Wed. Feb. 7, 9am	Int Rick Frew
Thu. Feb. 8, 9am	Int Marcela & Uldarico Santos
Int Joseph Heidenreich	Int Louis & Jackie Parai
Int Isabella Carbonari	† Joe Nedelko
† John O'Carroll	† Jan Easton
Fri., Feb. 9, 9am	† Lelioso Felisco
Sat. Feb. 10, 5pm	Thx Michael Strojny
Int Paul Irimpan	Int Bernadita Supleo
† Joan Spinney	† Michael Lawlor
Sun. Feb. 11, 9am	For Our Parishioners
Sun. Feb. 11, 11am	† Robert Theriault

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

January 28, 2024

Envelopes (136)	\$4,230
Loose	\$570
Building Collection (37)	\$628

*Thank you for your generous support*

<b>Please pray for:</b>	Tom Olds
Christina Bensley	Christa Vlahovoulas
John Bate	Vincent Stanford
Sean Hayes	Gwen Bate
<i>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.</i>	

**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) are paused for the Christmas break but will continue on **Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm** with the continuation of the topic **“Matrimony & Holy Orders: Service & Communion”** All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact the parish office.

**FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** On this First Saturday of the month, we would like to invite you to join in reciting the Holy Rosary with the Youth Group after the 5pm Mass and you are welcome to join in the celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing.

**ROSARY MAKING:** Holy Family Ministries is happy to announce that all the rosaries made by St. Raphael parishioners have now been distributed; many of them to local students. More rosaries are needed! If you have any of the rosary making supplies from one of the workshops which you are not planning to use, please return the supplies to the parish office so they can be distributed to other rosary makers. If you have any completed rosaries, please bring them to the parish office. For more information, contact [familyministry.canada@gmail.com](mailto:familyministry.canada@gmail.com)



**RITE OF ENROLMENT FOR CONFIRMATION:**

**The Rite of Enrolment** for Confirmation students will take place at all our weekend masses this weekend. We ask parishioners to pray in a special way for all these students and their families.

**FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING:** Parents who have registered their children for First Communion in 2024 at St. Raphael parish are reminded to attend one of our First Communion information evenings either on **Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**, OR **Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**, at **7pm** in the church. **The Rite of Enrolment** for all students preparing for their First Reconciliation and First Communion will take place at all our weekend masses on the February 10 & 11 weekend. Please pray for these students and their families.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION:** Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul 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.



**2023 TAX RECEIPTS:** Please pick up your 2023 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.**

**FUNERAL LUNCHEON COMMITTEE:** The Funeral Luncheon Ministry is in need of volunteers. Positions for phoning, set-up, serving and cleanup need to be filled. If you can spare an hour to three hours, on occasion, please consider this ministry. For more details, please call Marlene Cox: 905-634-0733.

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** On February 14<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday, we will have the following Masses with the Distribution of Ashes:



**9am** at St. Raphael's Church  
**10am** at St. Paul's School  
**10:30am** at Church with St. Raphael's School  
**12 noon** at St. Raphael's Church  
**7pm** at St. Raphael's Church

All are welcome. *Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.*



**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 followed by Mass.

**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.

**YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT (Saturday, March 2 – Hamilton):** Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship and music for Lent in support of you as you discern your vocation and as we prepare to celebrate Easter. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food, vocations testimony, music, and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>** at St. Ann Parish (120 Sherman Avenue North, Hamilton, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE!** Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? Here are the upcoming Retreats at Loyola House:

- **NEW! Finding God in the 2nd Half of Life One-Day Retreat** - February 23
- **Directed Prayer Weekend** – Feb. 23-25; March 7-10
- **Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment** February 23-25
- **Lenten Taizé** - March 1-3
- **NEW! The Sounds of the Desert One-Day Retreat** - March 15
- **Knowing the Heart of Jesus** - March 15-17
- **Holy Week 8-Day Retreat** - March 23-31
- **Easter Triduum Retreat** - March 28-31

Visit: <https://ignatiusguelph.ca/loyola-house/> email [registration@ignatiusguelph.ca](mailto:registration@ignatiusguelph.ca) call 519 824 1250 ext 266.

**THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**  
 Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is now available online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/>

### 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 Ministry, in the month of February, we would like to highlight the importance of the sacrament of marriage. During our Liturgies, we will pray for those preparing for marriage, married couples, couples with young families, couples experiencing difficulties, widowed, divorced, and separated.

We invite all the members to pray daily for all married 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. Let’s plan in the family and in the church for many concrete events to recognize and congratulate those who are married and pray for those who struggle in their married life.

**Feb 4/5<sup>th</sup>:** Announcement for the celebration of the Month-long events for the Married Couples. We invite all the married couples to fill out a form so we can pray and celebrate milestone anniversaries. Please fill in the form and submit it by the 18<sup>th</sup> of February.

#### **Feb. 10/11<sup>th</sup>: World of Day of the Sick**

Prayer for Healing and Reconciliation: Anointing will be done after each weekend Masses with Prayer for Healing.

#### **Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>:** at 1:00pm **Celebration of Baptisms**

A special Family Mass will be celebrated as we baptize 11 children of our parish community.

**Feb 25<sup>th</sup>: 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)*



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