

# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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*Served by the Holy Cross Fathers*

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<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

## 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](http://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
- St. Raphael's Elementary 905.637.3810
- 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*

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**Monday, February 6** at 9:00 a.m.  
Ints. Rick Frew

**Tuesday, February 7** at 9:00 a.m.  
Ints. Griffin Peters

**Wednesday, February 8** at 9:00 a.m.  
†Joe Nedelko

**Thursday, February 9** at 9:00 a.m.  
Ints. Francis Foran; Ints. Tom & Lee Olds  
†Carnela Damiano; †Donna Bujnowski; †Bob Shaw;  
†Marion Dowdall; †Frank Michelucci

**Friday, February 10**  
9:00am †Marisa Silvestri

**Saturday, February 11** 5:00 p.m.  
†Justin Castellano; †Baby Hall; †Maureen Hurley;  
†Frank Sicoli; †Deceased Mmbrs of Hayes Family;  
†Chester & Sylvia Gzik; †Noreen Vanderlip

**Sunday, February 12**  
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners  
11:00 a.m. †Jim Cox

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

January 29

Envelopes (114)	\$2777
Loose	\$783
January Building Collection (39)	\$670

*Thank you for your generous support*

**2022 TAX RECEIPTS:** Please pick up your 2022 tax receipt 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.***

**ST. RAPHAEL'S RESPECT LIFE YOUTH GROUP:** Welcome to all youth ages 14 - 20! Come and participate in the Into Life series created by the Sisters for Life. One hour weekly on Sundays starting **February 5** after the 11 am mass at St. Raphael's. Lunch provided. Watch a video, share in a discussion. Find out how Love Changes Everything and Every Life is a Gift. Contact [leonyhettinger@bell.net](mailto:leonyhettinger@bell.net) for more information.

**VALENTINE'S DINNER & DANCE:** Come enjoy an evening out to celebrate Valentine's Day with a potluck dinner and dance in the parish hall on February 18 at 6pm in the parish hall. This adults-only dinner and dance is free to attend but please sign up in the parish lobby after the weekend masses. You can bring your own wine or beer.

**PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19:** Knights of Columbus Council 5073 will be hosting a **PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST** Sunday February 19th after both the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Mass. Enjoy a pancake and sausage breakfast just before Shrove Tuesday and the start of **Lent**. There are no tickets. ***Admission is by making a "donation"*** when you arrive at the Parish Hall door. There will also be a 50 -50 draw. The profit of funds raised will be used by Knights of Columbus to assist programs for faith, families and youth within St. Raphael. Each breakfast sitting will be limited to 150 persons. Please register your family on the sheets in the Parish Main Lobby.

**PILGRIMAGE TOUR TO PERU: MAY 16- 26, 2023**  
Under the spiritual guidance of Fr Wilson Andrade CSC, Pastor of St. Raphael's Parish and National Director, Holy Cross Family Ministries of Canada. We will visit Lima, Sacred Valley Machu Picchu, Cusco, Puno, Lake Titicaca, and Paracas. Tour Co-Ordinator: Ms Marietta Bier 416-297-0694 Email: [mariettabier181@gmail.com](mailto:mariettabier181@gmail.com)  
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**OFFICE CLOSED:** Please note the parish office will be closed on Family Day, Monday, February 20. Happy Family Day!

<b><i>Please pray for:</i></b>	Paul Wayland
Sam Stenekes	Christopher Ryan
Lee Olds	Tom Olds
Gustavo Cáceres	Vincent Stanford
Rita Waters	Gary Bannan
Jeannine Bannan	Andrea Emilia Bernabey
<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>	

**CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING:** Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2023 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

**2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:** Please pick up your envelopes in the parish entrance, by the elevator. If you cannot locate your donation envelope box, or would like to start using donation envelopes, please contact the parish office at 905-637-2346. ***Please do not use envelopes from previous years, some envelope box numbers have changed for 2023.***



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION:

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting donations after all Masses next weekend and every 2<sup>nd</sup> second Sunday of each month. Thank you for your kind support to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul which enables them to help those in need in our community.

### World day of consecrated life: February 2, 2023

We encourage everyone to pray for vocations to religious life and priesthood as we celebrate the World day of consecrated life on February 02, 2023. Pope Francis said: “Religious life ought to promote growth in the Church by way of attraction. The Church must be attractive. Wake up the world! Be witnesses of a different way of doing things, of acting, of living! It is possible to live differently in this world. We are speaking of an eschatological outlook, of the values of the Kingdom incarnated here, on this earth. It is a question of leaving everything to follow the Lord. No, I do not want to say ‘radical’. Evangelical radicalness is not only for religious: But religious follow the Lord in a special way, in a prophetic way. It is this witness that I expect of you. Religious should be men and women who are able to wake the world up.”

### The Year of Prayer: February, 2023 – *Dedication for the 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 prayer, 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 experiencing difficulties, widowed, divorced and separated and promote family life.

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. 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.

### On Family Prayer

Reflections by Fr. Wilson Andrade, CSC

A recent research by the Holy Cross Family ministries shows that 64% of the catholic families do not have family prayers. This is a sad reality of our modern-day families. This year let us make a habit of praying together as a family. The Second Vatican Council asserts that *“a family is a domestic church”* then let’s make our domestic church – a house of prayer and peace. Pope Francis in his address to the young families asked them *“to teach children with examples of faith.”* In fact, this is the promise we make during every baptism celebration of the children. It is our Christian responsibility to teach everyone faith by our example and life. One of the best ways of *teaching faith by example* happens when families gather for prayer.

**Family Prayer is a grace:** God’s grace is freely given to all. In our family prayer, we can acknowledge the many graces we have received from God. Let our family prayer be genuine, said with simple words of gratitude and appreciation. Traditional and modern prayers help us to begin our prayer life in the family, but those prayers must direct us to a true – heart to heart – conversation with God and others. Prayer leads us to share God’s blessings with everyone especially with the younger generations. The blessings from the elders are a powerful expression God’s grace to everyone.

**Family Prayer is a discipline:** It requires time, place, and motivation. It is always useful to find a suitable time to pray when everyone is together - before the meal or even while going to work. It is good to make a habit of praying – not once in a while but every day. Even though we are busy with many things in life, we can always find time to pray together. If someone is not physically present, still we can pray for that person!!

**Family prayer brings Unity and Peace:** Praying makes us humble. Humility helps us to acknowledge life and gifts of others in our life. Let prayer help us to experience a sense of freedom and love within our family and friends. Self-criticism or judging others is not a prayer. Prayer brings us peace by applying a balm of forgiveness mixed with love. Prayer brings unity among the family members with better discernment for decision making, co-operation for the common good, understanding during failures, forgiveness for faults, support during times of struggles and laughter during joyful events.

“A family that prays together, stays together” and ‘A world at prayer is a world at peace.’ – Venerable Patrick Peyton, CSC

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