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OFFICE HOURS

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| 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.

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
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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BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Monday, January 13 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Mary Germann

Tuesday, January 14 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Bill Jennings

Wednesday, January 15 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Pat Ogborn

Thursday, January 16 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Loreto Grima; + Jerry Creedon; + Joe Bell;
+ Rev. Peter Watters; + Antonia Dortmans

Friday, January 17 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Esterina Mancini

Saturday, January 18 at 5:00 p.m.
+ Betty Nedelko; + Ron Chapman; + Gertrude Ferris;
+ Brenda Undseth; + Bill Jennings; + Hugh Hegarty

Sunday, January 19
9:00 a.m. + Bev Butler
11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Please pray for the following:

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| John Scharer | Nicola Izzi | Barbara Kennedy |
| Mary Berry | Sarah Scharer | Maritza Garcia |
| Doug Pudsey | Jim Singer | Gonzalez |
| Peggy Evans | Elizabeth Talatala | Milan Heck |
| Jill Aschah | Asia Rae Landry | Helen Weppler |
| Lee Olds | Noah Landry | Jane Urquhart |
| Stephen Pustai | Alison Zierl | Laith Yousif |
| Michael Smart | Rosario Herve | Mary Lilly |
| Kyle Elliott | Jill Olds | Vincent Stanford |
| Karen Beeho | Joanne Pringle | Lucie Jennings |
| Pat Malcolm | Aileen Smith | Frank Clarke |
| Elizabeth Elder | Robert Connolly | Marie Bond |
| Michael Colameco | Jones Rodney | Ron Robertson |
| Jude Malone | Barbara Fisher | Gary Olds |
| Joseph & Madeleine | Laurie Suddaby | Helen Sheehan |
| Zucco | Frank Sicoli | Rev. Fred 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 a.m.



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER
Pope Francis writes: "Compulsive consumerism is one example of how the techno-economic paradigm affects individuals." Laudato Si' # 203

While most **plastic bottles** are "recyclable," few are **actually recycled**. About seven of 10 plastic water bottles get incinerated, dumped into landfills - or left as litter. Most plastic water bottles are made of polyethylene terephthalate (PET).

Did you know?

•It takes up to **500 years to decompose plastic items in landfills.**

•Oil is used to manufacture plastic! **Nearly a million plastic beverage bottles are sold every minute around the world.**

•Between 1,000 and 2,000 gallons of gasoline can be saved by recycling just one ton of plastics.

•Producing plastic products from recycled plastics reduces energy consumption by 66%.

•By recycling one ton of plastic wastes, you can save roughly 2,000 pounds of oil, the amount of water used by one person in two months' time, and two people's energy consumption for one year.

•Between 2004 and 2014, the global production of plastics grew from 225 million tons to 311 million tons, an increase of 38%.

"O God, let me cultivate ecological virtues — and probe more deeply into what is being asked of me."



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

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| Christmas Day | - Envelopes (342) | \$20,185.00 |
| | - Loose | \$3,277.00 |
| Sunday, Dec. 29 th | - Envelopes (199) | \$5,394.00 |
| | - Christmas (29) | \$1,335.00 |
| | - Loose | \$528.00 |
| New Years Day | - Envelopes (161) | \$4,299.00 |
| | - Christmas (5) | \$110.00 |
| | - Loose | \$179.00 |

IN OUR PARISH

CONFIRMATION CLASS: There will be a confirmation class on **Mon. Jan. 13th at 7 pm** in the **Parish Centre**. We ask **all grade 7 students** being confirmed, to attend.

JOURNEY OF FAITH: Jan. 15th at 7pm in the **Parish Center**. This week's topic is Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the sick. Kindly attend this session to know more about the Sacraments of Healing.



ATTENTION: CWL general meeting will be on **Mon. Jan. 20th at 7:15pm** in the **Parish Center**. 2020 is an exciting year for the Catholic Women's League in Canada – we are 100 years old! We invite all members and ladies of the parish to join us. Members – remember to renew your memberships before February 29th. by using the blue offertory envelope or a plain envelope to be eligible for the draw of a \$30 restaurant gift card. For more information, contact Helen @ 905-634-7481.



A SPECIAL WELCOME to all new members and visitors of St. Raphael Parish. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Francis & Fr. Roshan.

Sunday is **The Baptism of the Lord**. We hear the Lord say in the first reading from **Isaiah**, "Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit." Those words are echoed in **Matthew's Gospel**, "'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.'" The Baptism is the feast that marks the end of the Christmas season. We begin 34 weeks of "Ordinary Time," which are all of the weeks outside of the Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter seasons. **Ordinary Time** will continue until Ash Wednesday on February 26.

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ST. RAPHAEL 4TH ANNUAL CHILLI CHALLENGE:

Come out and join us for an evening of fellowship and fun on **Feb. 1st (please note the change of date)**. Who will win the coveted Silver Spoon for the best chilli of 2020? Enter your chilli to win. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. If you're not in the mood to compete, come out to sample the amazing creations entered by your fellow parishioners and cast your vote. Garden salad, rolls and butter will round out the meal. Tickets are **\$10 per person, children under 15 and Chef's ticket are free**. Please bring your own beer, wine, pop to this event. Tickets and chef entries will be sold after each mass in the welcoming area. For further information, please email straphaelevents@gmail.com or call the parish office. Tables seat eight so please bring your family & friends.

2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Please pick up your envelopes in the parish entrance, by the elevator, sorted alphabetically by last name. Please contact the office if you currently don't have envelopes but would like a box. Forms to enroll in our Pre-Authorized Giving Plan are also available. For assistance please contact the parish office.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: interested in becoming a member? Call the SSVF Hotline 905-681-6394 for more information, see our bulletin board in the church foyer.



FUNERAL LUNCHEON COMMITTEE: Thank you to all the Ladies of the Funeral Luncheon Committee who came out to the Mandarin for our annual Christmas Lunch. Also, thank you for your generous and kind gift. *Marlene*



THE RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE: A special **thank you** to the hard-working volunteers in our **Religious Articles Store**

who donate their time on weekends and weekdays to run the store for our parishioners and parish visitors. Thank you also to this group for their generous donation of the store's proceeds to our parish.



WE NEED HELP TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY: by bringing communion to people who are homebound or in long term care or in the hospital.

What a beautiful, helpful and rewarding ministry! If you have about an hour or two every 4 weeks to give to this ministry, please call for information. We will help in every way we can, questions, training, etc. Please inquire, call Wilma 905-870-0641.

SAVE THE DATE - WOMEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION:



Saturday May 2nd. Mark your calendars for the 10th annual Women's Day of Reflection (formerly held the first week in February). Our theme will be Deepening our Faith with the Bible. Further details to follow. Anyone interested in joining our planning committee

for this wonderful day please contact Leony Hettinger at 289-795-1559 (evenings/weekends). Look forward to having you join us for this day.

LETTER FROM GOOD SHEPHERD FOR TREE OF HOPE:

Thank you for your amazing donation of Christmas gifts for children, youth, women and men in support of Good Shepherd. You are a partner in alleviating and preventing poverty and homelessness in our community - and we are so grateful. Your gift allows us to provide solutions to vulnerable members of the community that promote health, dignity and independence. Thank you for your generosity and your confidence in our work. God Bless, *Cathy Wellwood* Chief Development Officer

IN OUR COMMUNITY

BIBLE SUNDAY: Pope Francis has established the **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as Bible Sunday**. This year it will be observed on **Sun. Jan. 26**. Prayer Cards have been sent to each Parish and will be distributed at Mass on the weekend of January 25/26th. Parishioners are invited to offer this prayer together at the conclusion of the General Intercessions in thanksgiving for the gift of God's Word. We pray that our observance of Bible Sunday will deepen our gratitude for the Word of God and inspire us to root our lives more firmly in the Word of God.

FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPORT GROUP FOR PERSONS

SEPARATED OR DIVORCED: Would it help you to have people around you to understand what you're going through? Would you like to hear some ideas that will encourage you and help you to develop new ways of coping with the stresses in your life? The **Hamilton Diocesan Support Group** meets the **1st and 3rd Friday of each month** and they can help! No need to register just come and join us at the **Chancery Office at 700 King St. West, Hamilton** from **7pm – 9pm**. For more info. call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. There is NO COST, but great learning, caring and support!

SENIOR ADULT STUDY SESSIONS - "THE BIBLE & THE SACRAMENTS": is a deeper look at the mystery of the sacraments as illuminated by Sacred Scripture.

Examining the rich relationship between the Old & New Testaments, the sacraments are more than mere earthly rituals! This DVD presentation & discussion format is based on the work of Dr. Scott Hahn. David Dayler, Director for the Office of Discipleship & Parish Life will facilitate this 10-session program on **Wed. afternoons**, beginning **January 22nd** from **1pm – 3pm** at the **Chancery Office** in Hamilton. The cost is **\$50** and includes the book, *"Swear to God"* by Dr. Scott Hahn. Please register by **Jan. 13th**, with Monica: 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or mverin@hamiltondiocese.com

WORLD RELIGION DAY: a prelude to World InterFaith Harmony Week; Connecting Faith, Culture and Civilization. **Saturday Jan. 18th** at **7pm** in the **Hamilton Spectator Auditorium** (44 Frid St.). There will be Multifaith Speakers on Our Environmental Crisis. Free Admission, Refreshments & Discussion. This event is endorsed by the Hamilton Interfaith Peace Group. For more information and/or to ensure seating, please email: WRDHaltonHamilton@gmail.com

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