

# 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**  
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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*

The Diocese of Hamilton [HamiltonDiocese.com](http://HamiltonDiocese.com) Catholics Come Home [www.CatholicsComeHome.org](http://www.CatholicsComeHome.org)  
Vocations [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

## Mass Intentions

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

Mon. Jan 15, 9am	Int Scott Harrison
Tue. Jan. 16, 9am	† Maria da Luz Furtado
Wed. Jan. 17, 9am	† Roger Forchuk
Thu. Jan 18, 9am	Int Tim Wilson
Int Tom & Lee Olds	† Monica Narwani
† Betty Nedelko	† Fernando Amorim
† Kevin Connolly	† Augusto de los Angeles
Friday, Jan. 19, 9am	Int Jeffrey Plach
Saturday, Jan 20, 5pm	† Julian & Ethelyn Gonsalves
† Laurent Delorme	† Augusto de los Angeles
† Melania Lim	† Souls in Purgatory
Sunday, Jan 21, 9am	For Our Parishioners
Sunday, Jan 22, 11am	† Mary Germann

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

*December 31, 2023*

Envelopes (171) \$6,985  
Loose \$360

*January 1, 2024*

Envelopes (100) \$2,929  
Loose \$413

*January 7, 2024*

Envelopes (131) \$3160  
Loose \$720

*Thank you for your generous support*

**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 if you are not using 2024 donation envelopes.* For assistance, please contact the office.

<b>Please pray for:</b>	Lori Stokes
Vincent Stanford	Janet Stokes
John Bate	Gwen Bate
Sean Hayes	

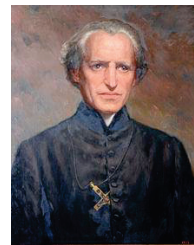
*Names on this list will remain for a period of four weeks to allow space for other names. Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.*

## 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, January 17 at 7:00pm** with the continuation of the topic **“The Eucharist: Source & Summit of Christian Life”** All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact the parish office.

## FEAST OF BLESSED BASIL MOREAU, FOUNDER OF THE CONGREGATION OF HOLY CROSS:



and celebrate with us the feast day of Blessed Basil Moreau, CSC, founder of the Congregation of Holy Cross, on **Saturday, January 20**, with:

**5:00pm**– Festive Mass

**6:00pm** - Potluck Dinner

All are welcome to join in the celebration after the liturgy. Please sign in if you are attending and indicate which of your favorite dishes you will bring for the dinner. Please bring your own bottle of wine with you to enjoy at this event.



## PARISH TRADITIONAL BREAKFAST SUNDAY JANUARY 21<sup>st</sup>:

Knights of Columbus Council 5073 will be hosting a Traditional Parish Breakfast on **Sunday January 21<sup>st</sup>** after both the 9 & 11am Masses. Enjoy a breakfast with scrambled eggs, bacon, sausages, hash browns, pancakes, and baked beans.

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 parish. Each breakfast sitting will be limited to 150 persons. Please register your family on the sheets in the Parish Main Lobby

## BI-WEEKLY CARDS GAMES:



Join the Bridge and euchre sessions with the **Boomerang** group every Monday, and with the **Deckers** group every Thursday, in the parish hall at 1pm. Come out for an afternoon of fun and friendship.

**ST. RAPHAEL'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE  
GATHERING ON (JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> 12:30 - 1:30PM):**



Come join our first gathering of the year after the Knights of Columbus breakfast in the St. Francis room. All women welcome.

Please note: membership due for 2024 (\$40) please put in envelope/ cheque to St. Raphael's Catholic Women's league or e- transfer to [bcarpenter@cogeco.ca](mailto:bcarpenter@cogeco.ca)

As a Catholic women's league member, you are part of an organization of women who act through prayer, faith development, ministry, service, education and advocacy on social justice issues. Join us today! Cheer in the new year and talk about new activities. All women welcome. Leony Hettinger, president (289-795-1559)

**THE PASTORAL PARISH IN THE MODERN WORLD:**

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is happy to offer a three-workshop series entitled, *The Pastoral Parish in the Modern World*. This new handbook created by David Wells and Bill Huebsch provides a comprehensive outline of the new vocabulary of pastoral ministry, and how to enact it in your local setting. This workshop series is designed for anyone who is working or volunteering in parish life including pastoral teams, parish councils, and youth ministry leaders. Registration for this workshop series is now OPEN. You can register here: <https://bit.ly/pastoralparish>

**TORONTO ALL-STAR BIG BAND CONCERT:**

Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2 - 4:30pm  
Burlington Performing Arts Centre

Step back to an era when "Swing" reigned supreme in Burlington. Come join us and experience an afternoon of great swing music.



**The price per ticket is only \$48.00.** Reserve your seat online at: [www.burlingtonpac.ca](http://www.burlingtonpac.ca). Or

phone the box office at 905-681-6000.

Proceeds from this event will go towards the Carpenter Hospice, Burlington Food Bank, and other Knights of Columbus Charitable Works

**SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (January 21, 2024) marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for youth and adults in celebration of Bible Sunday 2024. Visit our website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/>.

**The Word of God Sunday: 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024  
Bible Project**

Pope Francis has established the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time as the Sunday of the Word of God to recall the Second Vatican Council's rediscovery of the Sacred Scripture for the life of the Church. The Theme for this Year of 2024 is "Remain in my Word" (John 8:31).

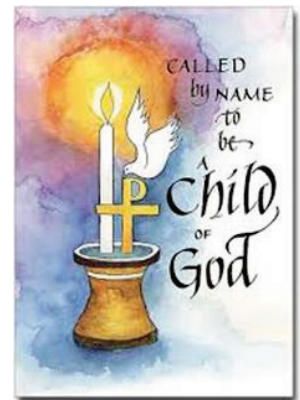
We would like to invite you and encourage you to take up the challenge to **Read the Bible in 120 days**. It takes average 72 hours to read the entire Bible. We have developed a program to read the Bible in 120 Days. You need to dedicate **30 minutes a day** or 4 hours a week. Form is available in the office. If you complete the Program, we will give you an **official Certificate**.

**YEAR OF MINISTRY: Sacrament of Baptism**

During the Month of January, let us learn about

Contemplative Prayer as we reflect on the Sacrament of Baptism. Pope Francis said: "*in Baptism we put our signature to become saints.*"

We dedicate all the newly baptized in the church and reflect on our baptismal promises. Let us become the Beloved Children of God.



On **Sunday January 21<sup>st</sup>**, we will have a special

blessing for all the children who were baptized in our parish during 2023. We encourage our parishioners to support one another in our baptismal commitment serving God and neighbor.

**Building/ Maintenance Committee**

We would like to invite any who are interested and have expertise in the Building and Construction work, to join the Parish Building/Maintenance Committee for a meeting on **Monday, January 22, at 7:00 pm** in the parish hall. We will discuss upcoming building projects and set priorities for the maintenance of the church.

Thank you for your support, your time and your talent in taking care of the church building.

**Pilgrimage to Europe**

Those who would like to join in for a Pilgrimage from Amsterdam to Venice in Europe, please call and register with the Tour Company: at 416 291 2676. Please check the Pilgrimage Brochure available at the entrance of the church.

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