## ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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Served by the Holy Cross Fathers
Fr. Francis Salasiar C.S.C. - Pastor

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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
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 Cathoic 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
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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, January 10 at 9:00 am

† Antonia Geofroy

**Tuesday, January 11** at 9:00 am Ints. Fr. Francis Salasiar

**Wednesday, January 12** at 9:00 am Ints. Elisa Lothringen

Thursday, January 13 at 9:00 am
Ints. Vivian Pulis; † Patrick Keenan
† Maria Hue Nguyen; † Lorenso Chinh Pham
† Michael Kennedy; † Maria Yen Pham; † Jim Cox

Friday, January 14 at 9:00 am † Joseph Tran Ngoc Bao

Saturday, January 15 at 5:00 pm Ints. Jonathan Fowler; † Marilyn Bittner † Claire Fedeyko; † Epifanio Braganza † Melvin D'Souza; † Mary Kennedy

#### Sunday, January 16

9:00 am † Maria da Luz Furtado 11:00 am For Our Parishioners

#### Please pray for:

Cenka Kosir Jasmine Leigh Emma Goodale Vanessa Rodrigues Albert Rodrigues John Scharer Doug Pudsey Peggy Evans Lee Olds Stephen Pustai Michael Smart Kyle Elliott Elizabeth Elder Heather Allen Frank Sicoli Nicola Izzi

Joseph & Madeleine Zucco Sarah Scharer Elizabeth Talatala Asia Rae Landry Noah Landry Alison Zierl Rosario Herve Jill Olds Joanne Pringle Robert Connelly Jones Rodney Barbara Fisher Laurie Suddaby Rev. Fred Olds

James Cook
Maritza Garcia
Gonzalez
Milan Heck
Helen Weppler
Jane Urquhart
Laith Yousif
Mary Lilly
Vincent Stanford
Marie Bond
Ron Robertson
Gary Olds
Helen Sheehan
Lorraine Evans
Rolando Mabalay

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.

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 the reading from Luke's Gospel, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." This feast marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time on the Church calendar.

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



#### ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER:

Pope Francis writes: "Once we start to think about the kind of world we are leaving to future generations we look

at things differently: we realize that the world is a gift which we have received and must share with others" LS 159

Last week we spoke of the need to reduce our carbon footprint in order to arrest global warming that is increasingly associated with the many ecological disasters (extreme heat events and deaths of people and animals, mass destructive forest fires, catastrophic flooding) facing not only the developing world but our own country of Canada. Many people argue that Canada is only responsible for 1-2% of the world's carbon emissions. Did you know that per capita, that is per person globally, Canada is one of the largest carbon emitters? That means that with our lifestyles, we in Canada produce more carbon emissions than the average person in the world. https://www.cbc.ca/news/science/how-canadians-cancut-carbon-footprints-1.6202194

What can we do as individuals to reduce our carbon footprint? Much more than you may actually think. One of the ways that we can reduce our carbon footprint is through our shopping habits because the goods that we purchase such as appliances and clothing produce large carbon emissions in their production.

-If the need arises to purchase a new appliance for your home, before purchasing a new appliance, investigate having your appliance repaired. Many older model appliances were built and designed to withstand the test of time. If you do need to purchase, investigate purchasing the most energy efficient product that is available. You will not only reduce your home energy costs you will in the end reduce the amount of carbon produced when operating the appliance. <a href="https://ygrene.com/blog/property-improvements/8-tips-buying-energy-efficient-appliances-2020">https://ygrene.com/blog/property-improvements/8-tips-buying-energy-efficient-appliances-2020</a>

-Energy use: We need to continue to reduce the amounts of energy that we use for everything we do: heating and cooling our residences, energy for daily living and energy for travel in our cars or air travel. We can all make a conscious effort to make sure that our thermostats are set at a level that doesn't require excess energy use. Turning down the heat a half of a degree and wearing a sweater will help. Turn off the lights when you leave the room.

Stay Tuned!

#### IN OUR PARISH



#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

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JOURNEY OF FAITH: Please join us every Wednesday for our Journey of Faith sessions to deepen your understanding of the Sacraments. Our next session is on Jan

12<sup>th</sup>, from 7 - 8pm in our Parish Centre. The topic is: An Introduction to the Sacraments. For more information, please contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.



#### "THIRD SATURDAYS" BIBLE STUDY:

Women of all ages join us via Webinar January 15th, 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.

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE STAMP PROJECT: Please** continue to save your cancelled stamps from Christmas Cards and any other mail. The Stamp Project raises funds for Development and Peace to support their ongoing Social Justice work. We will notify you at the end of January as to how we will collect the stamps from you! Thank you for your thoughtfulness and support of Development and Peace and their work in the world!

**NEW SUNDAY MISSALS:** If you would like your own copy of the 2021-2022 Sunday Missal for \$5 please purchase them in the parish office during the week or in the Welcome Area of the church after weekend masses

2022 ENVELOPES & CALENDARS: Please pick up your 2022 donation envelopes and a St. Raphael Parish Calendar in the parish entrance, by the elevator.

ADORATION CHAPEL OPEN: St. Raphael Parish Adoration Chapel is open. For security reasons, those wishing to pray in the chapel during night hours (after 9pm and before 7am) must register with our parish office. Registrations cannot be accepted by phone. Please come to the office to register and receive the access code.



THANK YOU TO OUR MINISTRIES: On behalf of the pastoral team, we would like to thank all the volunteers who spent a lot of time in making this season of Christmas

a joyful celebration. Thanks to all the Lectors, Altar servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, all the Choirs, Decorating Committee, Ushers, and Offertory Counters. Each of your contributions has helped all of us to experience the joy of Christ's birth and made it a meaningful celebration for our community. We are indeed a vibrant and joyful community. Let us continue to share this joy with one another as we begin this New Year. May the choicest blessings come to all of you and to vour families.

#### **IN OUR COMMUNITY**

YEAR OF AMORIS LAETITIA FAMILY - HAMILTON DIOCESAN SPEAKER SERIES: The kick off to the Diocesan speaker series, meant to celebrate the year, will be in January, with a special three part presentation by Bishop Lobsinger, with input from the Pastoral Offices staff. The evening sessions will be held from **7 - 8:30 pm** on Jan. 12th, 19th and 26th, and will unpack the great wisdom in Amoris Laetitia: The Joy of Love in Families and Church. The presentations, by zoom, are meant to engage all members of the Diocese in looking at both the challenges and blessings of families in the world today. Check the Diocesan website at https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/ for more information. Online registration will be necessary to receive the link, where you can join in by phone or

internet. For more information contact Teresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**VOCATIONS TO RELIGIOUS LIFE:** As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If He is, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation,

Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

To join Holy Cross Fathers please talk to Fr. Francis or

visit www.holycrossvocationscanada.com

YOUTH MINISTRY CERTIFICATION AND ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES: The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to have The University of Dayton: Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) as a partner in adult faith formation. The VLCFF is a living adult faith community offering online learning opportunities to address the learning needs of adults in our Diocese. Whether taking courses for professional development in ministry or for personal nourishment, the VLCFF provides a breadth of opportunity for learning including full certificate programs, five-week online courses and three-week intensive online seminars. The Youth Ministry office is now accepting applications for Youth Ministry Certification with courses beginning in January. For more information visit the Hamilton Diocese learns web page:

https://www.hamiltondioceselearns.com/



#### **SUNDAY FUNNY:**

God is talking to one of his angels and says, "Do you know what I have just done? I have just created a 24-hour period of alternating light and darkness on Earth. Isn't that good?"

The angel says, "Yes, but what will you do now?"

God says, "I think I'll call it a day."



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