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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

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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, every first and third Sunday at 1:00 PM
- For school aged children, after being catechized.
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#### 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.

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# Archangel St. Raphael "God is my Healer"

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See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

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Monday, March 11 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Emily Heald

**Tuesday, March 12** at 9:00 a.m. + Souls In Purgatory

Wednesday, March 13 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Murray McEniry & Family

Thursday, March 14 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Marie Conolley;
+ Ben MacDougall; + Eileen McHenry

#### Friday, March 15

9:00 am + Manolita Tombo 7:00 pm + Kathleen Taylor

Saturday, March 16 at 5:00 p.m. + Artem Tabligan; + Dan McBain; + Monsignor John Newstead; + Velma Smith

#### Sunday, March 17

9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners 11:00 a.m. + Mary Hutchinson

#### Please pray for the following:

John Scharer	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
Mary Berry	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
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Harvey & Pat	Jill Olds	Paul LaFontaine
Malcolm	Joanne Pringle	Frank Clarke
Elizabeth Elder	Cathy Moore	Coral King
Michael Colameco	Aileen Smith	Christina Sobral
If you would like a loved one prayed for by the parish		

or included in the weekend Prayed for by the paris or included in the weekend Prayers of the Faithful, please call the Parish Office by Tuesday a.m.



#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

- Envelope (237) \$5525.00 - Seminary Education (1) \$50.00 - New Year's (1) \$10.00 - loose \$533.00

Thank you for your continued support!

On the **First Sunday of Lent**, as we begin our Lenten journey, we recall in the reading from the book of **Deuteronomy** how God was faithful to Israel, leading them out of Egypt to a land of "milk and honey." **Luke's gospel** gives us the temptation of Jesus when he was "led by the Spirit" into the desert. Jesus resists the devil. "You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test."

University's **Online Ministries** web site: <u>http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.</u>html Used with permission.



## ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER Pope Francis writes: "When we can

see God reflected in all that exists, our hearts are moved to praise the

Lord for all his creatures and to worship him in union with them. This sentiment finds magnificent expression in the hymn of Saint Francis of Assisi" Laudato Si # 87

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#### **IN OUR PARISH**

#### THE SEASON OF LENT

What can I do this season of Lent? Lent is a season of grace. Lent presents the perfect opportunity for us to take the next step toward becoming the person that we are created to be. Let us take this time to renew the relationships with God and with one another. Let us not allow it to pass by.

#### **LENTEN ACTIVITIES**

Every Friday evening during Lent, we have stations of the cross at 7 pm followed by Mass.

#### Lenten Missions Presented by Fr. Francis

March 13<sup>th</sup> 7 pm - Anger and Hatred to Love and Peace March 20<sup>th</sup> 7 pm - Sin and Grace

March 27th 7 pm - Forgiveness: a necessity for healing

ANGER AND HATRED TO LOVE AND PEACE: Have you ever been angry? Has your relationship with the other has been altered because of your anger? Do you want to better understand your anger? Would you like to journey into your deeper self? Would you like to understand yourself better? If you answer one or all of these questions 'yes' then please come out on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm to the church.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Friday evening during lent at **7 pm** we will have the stations conducted by different ministries of our parish.

March 8th - The Lectors

March 15th - Extra Ordinary Ministers of Eucharist

March 22<sup>nd</sup> – The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

March 29th - Justice and Peace Committee

April 5th – Catholic Women's League

**April 12<sup>th</sup>** - Prayer Groups/Knights of Columbus On Good Friday we will have the dramatization of the stations at 8 pm.



CHRISTIANS ON A JOURNEY: All are welcome for Fellowship and Prayer.

For info. please call Wilma or Frank 905-870-0641.

Mon. Mar. 11 7:30pm

**Port Nelson** 3132 South Dr.

Mon. April 8 7:30pm

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Mon. May 13 7:30pm

St. Raphael Church



MARCH BREAK OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be closed Thurs. March 14th and Fri. March 15th. Have a fun & safe March Break!



LADIES: The next CWL general meeting will be held on Mon. March 18th in the parish center at 7:15 pm. Our guest speaker, Krista Craig, Stewardship Coordinator for Good Shepherd, will

be sharing their future plans and services they offer with a special emphasis on their women's ministry. All are welcome! Did you know your council has donated over \$7,000 these past few years? For more information, please call Helen @ 905-634-7481.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: We will have First Reconciliation in our church on Sunday March 24th at 1 pm for all grade 2 students who will celebrate their first communion this year at our parish.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Our 3rd confirmation class will take place on Monday April 1st at 7 pm in the parish centre. We ask all grade 7 students being confirmed, to attend.



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TOYS, TOYS: CWL Lenten project. We are requesting donations of simple toys such as balls, dolls, hula-hops, colouring books, etc. for children who do not have any. These toys should

be simple toys without mechanical parts or requiring batteries. Donations are going to Canadian Food For Children. Drop off your donations until the end of March and place them in the Welcoming area in the designated tote. For more info, call Helen at 905-634-7481.

#### **IN OUR COMMUNITY**



THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON: 'One Heart, One Soul' campaign nears kickoff! Months of preparations are leading us to

the next step of the One Heart, One Soul Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton.

A public kickoff Mass will be held at noon on Monday, March 25, Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, and followed by a reception at the Cathedral.

The campaign's Pilot Wave parishes will be holding kickoffs for their own efforts in April. Three additional waves over the next two years will allow every Parish in the Diocese to participate. Most of the funds from the three-year campaign will go to Parish projects, with a special emphasis on the Parishes most in need. A number of diocesan ministries will benefit as well.

A series of Frequently Asked Questions about the campaign can be found on the campaign website www.oneheartonesoul.ca.

### 40DAYS FORLIFE (8am - 8pm)

March 6 - April 14

Save Lives! Join the peaceful, prayer vigil. Choose an hour & pray as a family this Lent! Near the Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital (Vigil site: Proudfoot Trail & Dundas St). Register at: 40daysforlife.com/Oakville or Contact: 40daysforlife.oakville@gmail.com

ST. JOHN'S CWL LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER: is on Tues. March 12th, starting with Mass at 9 am and concluding with Benediction at 2:15pm. Facilitated by Fr. Peter Ciallella, the cost is \$15 and includes lunch and refreshments. Please register before March 10th and make any cheques payable to CWL. To register please phone Marie at 905-637-1677.

**VOCATIONS:** Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com. To join Holy Cross Fathers please speak with Fr. Francis or visit www.holycrossvocationscanada.com.

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