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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.
- 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

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See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

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Monday, March 19 at 9:00 a.m. + Elaine Mueller

Tuesday, March 20 at 9:00 a.m. + San Giuseppe

Wednesday, March 21 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Pat Ogborn

Thursday, March 22 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Laver Family; Ints. Katelyn Olds;
+ Pasqua Silvestri; + Philomena Bocarro;
+ Sylvia Collett; + Fr. Ron Passinto

Friday, March 23 at 9:00 a.m. + Joseph Lawlor

Saturday, March 24 at 5:00 p.m. Ints. Marilyn Bittner; + Kathleen Szela; + Peter DiProfio; + Alan & Irene Brooksbank; + Sylvia & Chester Gzik; + Fulvia Valentini

Sunday, March 25

9:00 a.m. + Francis Onuska 11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Please pray for the following:

John Scharer Molly Laporte Maritza Garcia Mary Berry Nicola Izzi Gonzalez Doug Pudsey Sarah Scharer Michael Dowson John O'Boyle Vincent Stanford Milan Heck Frances Wentges Jim Singer Helen Weppler Peggy Evans Elizabeth Talatala Jane Urquhart Jill Ascah Shelly Sterling Laith Yousif Michael Colameco Lee Olds Asia Rae Landry Stephen Pustai Noah Landry Maria Szkitalinski Rozalia Bereznay Michael Smart Mary Lilly Denise Brooke Sr. Rosalie Siegler Bill & Lucie Clive Ottaway Barbara Kennedy **Jennings**

If you would like a loved one prayed for by the parish and included in the weekend Prayers of the Faithful, please call the Parish Office by Tuesday a.m.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday, March 11th \$4667.00 Thank you for your continued support!

On the **Fifth Sunday of Lent**, one Mass in our parishes will probably celebrate the last of the "Scrutinies" for the RCIA program using the **John's Gospel** about the raising of Lazarus. For those at the other Masses, we will also use **John's Gospel**. Jesus says that the "hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." However, he describes this glory in a surprising way, which explains who he is for us and who we are called to be: "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be."

"Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's **Online Ministries** web site: http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html Used with permission.



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER

Solidarity is recognizing that each person is valuable and that we are all connected. We have a responsibility to

help each other out and to build fairness and equality in our society. Together, in solidarity, we can build peace! (Development and Peace Calendar, March 26th.) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3OW4_rxvuLA&feature=youtu.be

Pope Francis writes: "...The present ecological crisis is one small sign of the ethical, cultural and spiritual crisis of modernity, we cannot presume to heal our relationship with nature and the environment without healing all fundamental human relationships. Christian thought sees human beings as possessing a particular dignity above other creatures; it thus inculcates esteem for each person and respect for others [and all of creation]. Our openness to others, each of whom is a "thou" capable of knowing, loving and entering dialogue, remains the source of our nobility as human persons. A correct relationship with the created world demands that we not weaken this social dimension of openness to others, much less the transcendent dimension of our openness to the "Thou" of God. Our relationship with the environment can never be isolated from our relationship with others and with God. Otherwise, it would be nothing more than romantic individualism dressed up in ecological garb, locking us into a stifling immanence." Laudato Si #119

This week, try playing "THE HUMAN KNOT GAME" that can be found on the back of your Development and Peace Lenten Calendar. Then, as a family, make a Peace Banner that you can hang in your home to remind you to be a person of Peace this Holy Week!

https://www.devp.org/sites/www.devp.org/files/document s/materials/_devpeace_sharelent2018_solidarity_calendar _links_en.pdf

Each of us can make a huge difference in our Common Home this Saturday, March 24th! Join in Solidarity with people around the Earth! Turn off your lights from 8:30 to 9:30 pm and power down for EARTH HOUR. We encourage you to visit this website: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UZYiJLH2toY

IN OUR PARISH

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Consistent Life Ethic. Please join us on Wednesday March 21st at 7 pm in the parish centre.



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

March 23rd -Justice and Peace Committee On Good Friday we will have the dramatization of the stations at 8 pm.

SOUP SUPPER: We will be having a soup supper before Mass on Holy Thursday, March 29th at 6:00 pm in the parish centre. If you would like to provide a soup for this supper, please add your name to the sign up sheet in the welcoming area.



CHRISTIANS ON A JOURNEY CALENDAR:

Please join us for the following events:

Sun, Mar 25, 7PM – Tennebrae Service, Port Nelson United, 3132 South Dr.

Fri, Mar 30, 8PM – Live Stations of the Cross, St. Raphael

Mon, Apr 9 – Regular Monthly Prayer Meeting Cancelled Sun, Apr 29, 7PM – Taize Service, Port Nelson United Mon, May 14, 7:30PM – Prayer Meeting, New Street CRC, 3416 New St.

Mon, Jun 11, 7:30PM - Prayer Meeting, St. Raphael Please call Wilma or Frank Malick for info 905-870-0641.



FLOWERS FOR EASTER: The Decoration Committee invites you to bring in flowers and plants for the Easter Season. We would appreciate a variety of <u>spring colours</u> that will

last well into the Easter season which is six weeks long. If you would like to remember a loved one, feel free to include a small card with their name on it. *Please bring flowers to the back of the church starting* **Wed. March 28**th **to Fri. March 30**th (no later than 6 pm). Thank you.



are invited to attend the <u>rescheduled</u> FUN WITH FOOD presentation on Monday, March 19th at 7:15 pm in the parish centre. Due to

illness, we needed to reschedule our presenter to the CWL general meeting for March. Paulette Melanson will lead us in an interactive learning session about food, nutrition and healthy eating. We are sure to have a great time! Following her talk, we will continue with the meeting. For more information, please call Leony Hettinger 905-632-0792 or Helen Sheehan 905-634-7481.

SOCIAL JUSTICE: In Honduras, more than 100 people were murdered for defending human and environmental rights. Development and Peace partners in the Global South seek to change these kind of injustices though peaceful means but at great personal risk.

WASHING OF FEET: It seems like such a humiliating task, yet it's also personal, almost intimate. That Jesus performed this task as one of His last acts on Earth delivers an important message of how we are supposed to be as Christians. It is a very beautiful and meaningful symbol that the church has passed on to us as a model for our service. In the words of Jesus, "I came not to be served but to serve". May this be a driving force for each of us. If anyone would like their feet to be washed at the Holy Thursday Mass (8 pm) please bring a towel and be seated at the end of the pew.

BLESSING AND MANDATING OF MINISTRIES: On **Holy Thursday** there will be a special blessing for all the ministries and mandating of their ministry for this year at the **8 pm Mass**. I encourage all the volunteers to participate and be present for this blessing.



ANNUAL CARD PARTY FUNDRAISER: held by the Catholic Women's League will be held on Thursday, **May 3**. It's only 6 weeks away. There will be more information to follow.

<u>Easter Mass Times</u>

Parish Lenten Reconciliation

Tuesday March 27, 2018 7:00 pm

Holy Thursday

Thursday March 29, 2018 6:00 pm – Soup Supper 8:00 pm - Mass

Good Friday

Friday March 30, 2018 3:00 pm – Liturgy of Lord's Passion 8:00 pm - Stations of the Cross Dramatization

Easter Vigil

Saturday March 31, 2018 11:00 am - Blessing of the Food Basket 8:00 pm - Vigil Mass

Easter Day

Sunday April 1, 2018 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 12 noon



60th ANNIVERSARY MASS: In honour of our 60th anniversary we will have a special Mass on **June** 3rd at 11 am. There will be a parish BBQ and games at the park after the Mass.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH HEALING MASS: Mon. March 19 at St. Charles Garnier Church (129 Hughson Street S.) Adoration at 6 pm. Healing Mass at 7 pm, Consecration to St. Joseph, Anointing with Holy Oil and collection of non-perishable goods for the poor. All are welcome.

HOLY ROSARY LENTEN MISSION: You are invited on Tuesday, March 20th, Holy Rosary, Burlington at 6:00 pm Soup & Bun Supper. Fr. Martin Vallely will facilitate an evening of prayer and reflection with the theme "Lord, What Do You Want of Me? A Lenten Journey Within". For more information and to RSVP, please, contact Chris McNamara 905-639-3158.

ST ANDREW'S PARISH LENTEN MISSION: Friday, March 23, at noon. Soup and a Chat. Let us gather, grow in faith and chat with Fr. Cornelius O'Mahoney. Donations will be forwarded to St. Vincent De Paul. Information: 905-844-3303.

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL 14TH ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT: on Sat. April 7, from 7 – 10 pm at the school. Cost is \$15 per player, with 6 - 8 players per team. The evening includes raffles, a 50/50 draw and team prizes for highest scores. All money raised will be donated to the Hamilton Naturalists' Club and the Halton Catholic Children's Education Foundation. For more details and to register, please contact: <u>Assumptiontrivia@gmail.com</u>.



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