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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, every first and third Sunday at 1:00 PM
- 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

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See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

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PASSION - PALM SUNDAY



Monday, March 26 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Shirley Bannan

Tuesday, March 27
9:00 a.m. + Santo Domenica Spagolo
7:00 p.m. Parish Reconciliation

Wednesday, March 28 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints Frank Gaspar

Thursday, March 29
No Morning Mass
6:00 p.m. Soup Supper
8:00 p.m. Ints. Sr. Gloria Siefreid;
Ints. Riky McNeill + Philomena Bocarro;
+ Ernesto Capati; + Betty O'Dwyer

Friday, March 30
No Morning Mass
3pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
8pm Stations of the Cross Dramatization

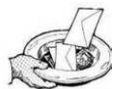
Saturday, March 31
11:00 am - Blessing of the Food Basket
8:00pm + Crispina Mendoza

Sunday, April 1
8:30 am + Mary Lynn Fazio
10:00 a.m. + Chester & Sylvia Gzik
12:00 noon 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
Lee Olds	Asia Rae Landry	Michael Colameco
Stephen Pustai	Noah Landry	Maria Szkitalinski
Michael Smart	Rozalia Bereznavy	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 18th \$4486.00
Share Lent \$2996.00

Thank you for your continued support!

On Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord we make our way into Holy Week. We read the gospel about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, Paul's invitation to us to imitate Jesus who emptied himself, and the whole Passion, this year from Mark's Gospel.

*"Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site:
<http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html>
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ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER
Pope Francis writes "...We know that water is a scarce and indispensable resource and a fundamental right which

conditions the exercise of other human rights. This indisputable fact overrides any other assessment of environmental impact on a region." Laudato Si #185 Each year, **World Water Day, March 22nd**, invites us to focus our attention on the importance of water. The theme for World Water Day 2018 is **'Nature for Water'** – exploring nature-based solutions to the water challenges we face in the 21st century.

Damaged ecosystems affect the quantity and quality of water available for human consumption.

Did you know that today, 2.1 billion people live without safe drinking water at home, affecting their health, education and livelihoods?

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 6 commits the world to ensuring that everyone has access to safe water by 2030 and includes targets on protecting the natural environment and reducing pollution. Environmental damage, together with climate change, is driving the water-related crises we see around the world. Floods, drought and water pollution are all made worse by degraded vegetation, soil, rivers and lakes.

In Canada, many of us have access to clean sources of water. **What can we do to protect and respect the abundance of clean water that we have?**

- Be aware of the cleaning products you use in your home; what are you putting down the drain?
- Turn off the tap when you are brushing your teeth.
- Run full loads of laundry in the washing machine and dishes in the dishwasher.
- Prevent water privatization: use a refillable drinking bottle. Refuse to buy bottled water.
- Taking a short shower uses less water than filling the bathtub! (You may want to consider collecting the first shower cold water to be used later for your toilet)
- Each time you turn on your tap, remember what blessing it is to have clean drinkable water!

IN OUR PARISH

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: There will be a communal preparation with several priests to hear confessions on **Tuesday March 27 at 7 pm.**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Dignity of Life. Please join us on **Wednesday March 28th at 7 pm** in the parish centre.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: We would like to invite all parishioners, their families and friends to a drama presentation of the Stations of the Cross in our church sanctuary on **Good Friday (March 30th) at 8 pm.** We encourage all to attend and be part of this moving and reflective sharing of our Lord's passion.

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.

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. I encourage all the volunteers to participate and be present for this blessing.

GOOD FRIDAY PONTIFICAL COLLECTION: March 30 for the benefit of the **Holy Places in the Holy Land.** Every Parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives. Requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local Population.



FLOWERS FOR EASTER: The Decoration Committee invites you to bring in flowers and plants for the Easter Season. We would appreciate a variety of spring colours 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 28th to Fri. March 30th** (no later than 6 pm).* Thank you.



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** – 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.

SOCIAL JUSTICE: "Peacemaking calls for courage to say yes to encounter and no to conflict; yes to dialogue and no to violence; yes to negotiation and no to hostilities..... all of this takes courage, it takes strength and tenacity".
-Pope Francis, Invocation for Peace, June 18, 2014

Easter Mass Times

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 the 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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: A reminder that the office will be closed on **Fri. March 30th and Mon. April 2nd.**

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS FOR EASTER: Please submit bulletin announcements by 9 am on Monday March 26th.



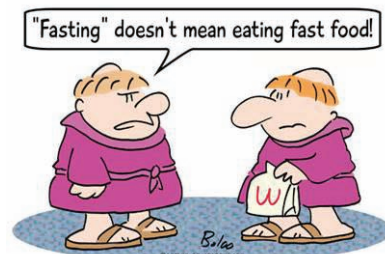
60th ANNIVERSARY MASS: In honour of our 60th anniversary we will have a special Mass on **June 3rd at 11 am.** There will be a parish BBQ and games at the park after the Mass.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

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: Assumptiontrivia@gmail.com.

LOOKING FOR ALL CAMP BREBEUF ALUMNI: Visit campbrebeuf.ca and share your Camp Brebeuf story before midnight on April 15th to be entered to win a Broil King Signet 70 BBQ. For more details call 519-856-4671.

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