ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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



Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

Fr. Francis Salasiar C.S.C. – Pastor Catherine Osborne - Office Administrator Ms. Maureen Lawlor - Office Assistant



OFFICE HOURS Mon-Fri

 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 Sunday Mon - Fri

Fri 9:00 AM

5:00 PM

9:00 AM & 11:00 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.

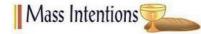
FUNERALS

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
- St. Raphael's Elementary 905.637.3810
- St. Paul's Elementary 905.632.1424
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HOTLINE 905.681.6394

The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com Holy Cross Vocations www.holycrossvocationscanada.com Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.HamiltonVocations.com



Monday, March 7 - 9:00 am Ints. Susan McDowell

Tuesday, March 8 - 9:00 am Ints. Mark Munshaw & Sloane Cox

Wednesday, March 9 – 9:00 am † Mary Dang Ngoc Bich

Thursday, March 10 - 9:00 am Ints. Emily Heald; Ints. Pierrette Hamelin Ints. Georgette Rivard; † Norah Clift; † John Moffatt; † Charles & Angela Teilinger

> Friday, March 11 9:00 am † Jim Cox 6:30 pm † Gloria Devaras Palagar

Saturday, March 12 - 5:00 pm Ints. Stephen Peeling; † Cenka Kosir † Jim Cox; † Rick Powell † Joseph Kane; † Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, March 13 9:00 am † Joao & Maria Furtado 11:00 am For Our Parishioners

Please pray for:

Jasmine Leigh Emma Goodale Vanessa Rodrigues Albert Rodrigues John Scharer Doug Pudsey Peggy Evans Lee Olds Stephen Pustai Michael Smart Kyle Elliott Heather Allen Maritza Garcia Gonzalez Tom Olds 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 James Cook Milan Heck Frank Sicoli Rolando Mabalay Helen Weppler Jane Urquhart Laith Yousif Mary Lilly Vincent Stanford Marie Bond Ron Robertson Gary Olds Helen Sheehan Nicola Izzi

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.

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."

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



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER:

Pope Francis writes: "Each year sees the disappearance of thousands of plant and animal species which we will never know,

which our children will never see......because of us thousands of species will never give glory to God by their very existence...." L.S. #33

World Wildlife Day March 3, 2022: "Recovering key species for ecosystem restoration". Biodiversity is the foundation our planet is built on. It is a crucial component of combating the environmental crisis, and a mechanism for mitigating the effects of climate change. This year's theme, "Recovering Key Species for Ecosystem Restoration," is an approach to prevent the extinction of species, the collapse of ecosystems, and the increasing threats these pose to our health, security, and well-being. We depend on healthy ecosystems for our survival. Functioning ecosystems supply our most fundamental needs, like oxygen, clean water, and food security. **Did you know:** Biodiversity in figures by the <u>International Union</u> for Conservation of Nature's Red List of Threatened

Species,:

*8,400 species of wild fauna and flora are critically endangered

*30,000 more are understood to be endangered or vulnerable

* A million species are threatened with extinction "To create resiliency within ecosystems there must be biodiversity, that is why it's so important to recover key species that play pivotal rolls within any given ecosystem."

Bonnie Wright

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NjwtneQ9cd8 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tJOauAzV2kQ

IN OUR PARISH



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Please see next weekend's bulletin for our February 27, offertory collection. **Thank you for your continued support!**



JOURNEY OF FAITH: Please join us every Wednesday for our Journey of Faith Sessions. Our next topic will be *God's*

Commandments. Enhance your knowledge by joining our next session on **March 9, from 7 – 8pm** in the parish centre. For more information, please phone the parish office at 905-637-2346.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Friday

evening during lent at **6:30pm** we will have a mass followed by the Stations of the Cross conducted by different ministries of our parish. **March 11** – The Lectors **March 18** – Catholic Women's League **March 25** – Knights of Columbus **April 1** – Development & Peace **April 8** – Communion Ministers **April 15** – Good Friday **FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH AND THE TRAVELING ICON:** The Travelling Icon of St. Joseph will arrive at St. Raphael on **March 14th and will be here on display until March 19th, 2022. March 19 is the feast proper of St. Joseph, the Patron Saint of Canada and we will be having a feast day Mass at 10:30 am here at the parish**. Following from the year of St. Joseph declared by Pope Francis and inspired by his apostolic letter 'Patris Corde' ('With the Fathers Heart') comes our new Pilgrim Icon in honor of St. Joseph. St. Joseph carried out his mission of raising, guarding, and preparing Christ quietly, courageously, and faithfully. For the faithful work, St. Joseph has been rewarded the incomparable prize of glory

in heaven. The world is in need of men and women of courage, who are willing to stand up and carry out the mission of protecting, defending, and raising future generations. On behalf of Knights of Columbus Council 5073, St. Raphael parish invites all of you to participate and celebrate the life of St. Joseph. May St. Joseph inspire us all.



"THIRD SATURDAYS" BIBLE STUDY: Women of all ages join us via Webinar **March 19**, at **9:30am**, for our monthly one-hour webinar igniting passion for reading the Bible and applying the Word to our lives. Refresh, renew our faith. No hible experience required

restore and renew our faith. No bible experience required. Pray and share together with other women. To sign up please RSVP to <u>michele@forgionegroup.com</u> or <u>leonyhettinger@bell.net</u> See you soon.



CWL MEETING: Calling all CWL members to this important meeting to be held on **Sunday March 20, 2022, after the 11 am Mass in the parish centre.** The CWL has some

important business to address, which is to vote on suggested changes forwarded by the National CWL. The CWL needs to submit our voting results by March 28, 2022. Please come and hear about the changes and make your voice count. The CWL is required to have an inperson vote. The CWL needs to have as many members attend, to have a representation of vote from our parish council. Come out and meet and mingle with your fellow CWL sisters after the vote. Contact

leonyhettinger@bell.net (CWL Co- president) or call at 289-795-1559 after 5pm.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE STAMP PROJECT: Please bring any of your saved cancelled stamps to the church and place them in the "Stamp Project" envelope on the Social Justice bulletin board near the main entrance to the church. The Stamp Project raises funds for Development and Peace to support their ongoing Social Justice work. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and support of Development and Peace and their work in the world!

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING: Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2022 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637. **2022 ENVELOPES & CALENDARS:** Please pick up your 2022 donation envelopes and a St. Raphael Parish Calendar in the parish entrance, <u>by the elevator</u>.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

POWER OF FORGIVENESS RETREAT: Understanding forgiveness is the first key to being able to forgive. Learn how to identify the stages of forgiveness on the journey to letting go. Explore how to release negative emotions of hurt, anger, blame and hatred so you can live more fully alive. This retreat will provide a caring and nurturing environment to work through the forgiveness process and begin to heal from your deepest hurts. You will be guided with tools that will enable you to move forward with the healing process. This retreat, led by Anna Racine, will take place at the **Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre** in Niagara Falls from **March 18 – 20.** The cost is \$300 and includes accommodation and meals. For more information visit: https://www.carmelniagara.com/programs



ONLINE SPRING AUCTION: Support lifeaffirming education! Participate in or donate to Halton Alive's online Spring Auction. This will be an ideal opportunity for finding Easter or Spring decor or that special something for

Mother's and Father's Day! **Dates**: March 21-24 **Details**: <u>https://www.haltonalive.ca/springauction</u> Or call Tawnya at 905-632-3232



DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: A MOVEMENT OF SOLIDARITY:

Established in 1967, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is the official international solidarity organization of the Catholic Church in Canada. We partner with organizations in the Global South that promote alternatives to unjust social, political and economic structures and support women in their quest for equality

and justice. With the help of our 11,000+ volunteer members, we inform Canadians about the root causes of impoverishment and mobilize them to act for change. Our Lenten campaign, *People and Planet First*, offers you the opportunity to help protect vulnerable communities and ecosystems from corporate abuse. To learn more about and to join our movement, visit <u>devp.org</u>.

SPRING FLOWERS INITIATIVE:



Join Halton Alive in touching the hearts of 6,200 residents of long-term care and retirement homes through our 2022 Inspire Hope Campaign! **Volunteers needed to**

make and deliver 6,200 homemade Spring flowers! Includes discussion starters for parents, teachers and youth ministers to spark conversation about the value of the vulnerable in our society. Contact Tawnya 905-632-3232 or visit: www.haltonalive.ca/inspirehopeflowers



DON'T FORGET TO "**SPRING FORWARD**" next **Sunday, March 13** by setting your clocks one hour ahead.



