ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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

Fr. Roshan D'Souza C.S.C. - Associate Pastor

Anna-Marie Grimminck - Office Manager 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

Mon - Fri 9:00 AM

5:00 PM

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

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 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

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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 7 at 9:00 a.m. + Derek Peace

Tuesday, May 8 at 9:00 a.m. + Vivian Joyce Schmuck

Wednesday, May 9 at 9:00 a.m. + Rose Hughes

Thursday, May 10 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Laura Mozina; Ints. Brian & Lori Contz; + Gary Catherwood; + Betty McGouran; + Peter Clarke; + Judy Joseph

> Friday, May 11 at 9:00 a.m. + Elaine Mueller

Saturday, May 12 at 5:00 p.m. Ints. Geraldine Mullin; Ints. Stephen Pustai & + Barbara Pustai; + Brendan Kosnick; + Frank Clifford; + Doris Russell; + Rudolph Gomes

> Sunday, May 13 9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners 11:00 a.m. + Luigi Zuchet

Please pray for the following:

John Scharer Mary Berry Doug Pudsey Frances Wentges Peggy Evans Jill Ascah Lee Olds Stephen Pustai Michael Smart Denise Brooke Clive Ottaway Molly Laporte Nicola Izzi Sarah Scharer Vincent Stanford Jim Singer Elizabeth Talatala Shelly Sterling Asia Rae Landry Noah Landry Rozalia Bereznay Sr. Rosalie Siegler Barbara Kennedy Maritza Garcia Gonzalez Michael Dowson Milan Heck Helen Weppler Jane Urquhart Laith Yousif Maria Szkitalinski Mary Lilly Bill & Lucie 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, April 29th - envelope (248)
 \$4375.00

 - loose
 \$477.00

 Accessibility Collection
 \$1533.00

Thank you for your continued support!

On the **Sixth Sunday of Easter**, we hear the powerful words that Jesus uses to send us on our mission: "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain."

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



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER Pope Francis writes: **"Mary, the Mother who cared for Jesus, now cares with**

maternal affection and pain for this wounded world... now she grieves for the sufferings of the crucified poor and for the creatures of this world laid waste by human power... She is the Woman, 'clothed in the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars' (Rev 12:1). Carried up into heaven, she is the Mother and Queen of all creation. In her glorified body, together with the Risen Christ, part of creation has reached the fullness of its beauty. She treasures the entire life of Jesus in her heart (cf. Lk 2:19,51), and now understands the meaning of all things. Hence, we can ask her to enable us to look at this world with eyes of wisdom." Laudato SI # 241

For Mary's month of May, Pope Francis has recommended the "simple and effective prayer of the rosary." For an Ecological meditation on the Rosary visit:

https://franciscanaction.org/sites/default/files/C4C%20Gu ided%20Rosary.pdf

Good weather is coming, thinking of your garden, your balcony? Do it as Mary does as Mother and Queen of Creation. Welcome birds, bees and butterflies planning your garden and balcony by planting seeds that support pollinators. Here you have some suggestions: Lanceleaf coreopsis, Mountain mint, Bee balm, Black-eyed Susan. Nodding onion-great for containers-

Here are more ideas to begin a **Mary Garden!** https://www.reallifeathome.com/how-to-start-a-marygarden-in-7-easy-steps/

Halton Green Screens May 10/18: More Than Honey Screening at Film.ca, 171 Speers Ave. Oakville Ontario "MORE THAN HONEY" is a film on the relationship between mankind and honeybees, about nature and about our future. Honeybees show us that stability is just as unhealthy as unlimited growth, that crises and disasters are triggering evolution and that salvation sometimes comes from a completely unexpected direction.

IN OUR PARISH



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION:

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting after all Masses next weekend. SSVP envelopes are available at back of the church for those who would like Income Tax receipts at the end of the year.



CHRISTIANS ON A JOURNEY CALENDAR:

Please join us for the following events: 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.



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.

2018 BIBLE CAMP: July 9 – 13. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board at our parish entrance and on our parish website: <u>www.straphaels.ca</u>

ROSES FOR LIFE WEEKEND: the Knights of Columbus of our Parish will be present at all Masses on the weekend of May 12 and 13 to recognize Mother's Day and for the distribution of Roses for Life to all parishioners. All donations and contributions are completely voluntary, and for those who choose to make a contribution, all proceeds will be donated towards Share Life.

SUNDAY OFFERINGS ENVELOPES: There are many boxes of envelopes that are waiting to be picked up. If you have asked for envelopes for Sunday Offerings please see Maureen at the Welcome Desk after mass to receive your box of envelopes.

LOST AND FOUND: Please check the lost and found box located outside the gift shop. There are many items including gloves, scarves and eye glasses!

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE QUEBEC SHRINES AND **OTTAWA:** Join your fellow parishioners on a Pilgrimage to the Quebec Shrines on Saturday, Sep 1- Monday, Sep 03, 2018. The parish has organized a 3-day pilgrimage to many of the most beautiful and historic places of worship and spirituality in Quebec including St. Joseph's Oratory, Our Lady of the Cape Shrine, Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica and St. Anne de Beaupre Basilica. We will be staying at Hotel Maison de la Madone in Trois Rivières both nights and traveling by coach to the sites. The cost is \$400 per pilgrim based on single, \$ 350 pp based on double and \$300 pp based on a triple, and \$ 280 pp based on quad occupancy and includes a 2-night stay, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners, transportation, tips, and gratuities. Pilgrims are responsible for snacks, lunches, out of province insurance, spending money, personal belongings, and transportation to and from our church parking lot. Please note that we only have 50 spaces available. A \$ 70 deposit is due by July 30, 2018. Information flyers are available at the doors of the church. For any questions, please call Fr. Roshan D'Souza.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2018: It begins on Sunday, May 6. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to discover what celebrations are happening in your children's school and if possible, attend. Publicly funded Catholic education has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served Ontario and Canada very well. The current generation of students in our publicly funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations.

This year's Catholic Education Week theme is "Renewing the Promise." Catholic Education Week 2018 combines the themes of reconciliation, solidarity, love, justice, and ecology. The CEW biblical quote is "For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." Acts 2:39

IN OUR COMMUNITY

MARCH FOR LIFE – OTTAWA: The Burlington Knights of Columbus have arranged a coach bus to drive to Ottawa for the annual National March for Life on Thurs. May 10th. The day starts at **St. Gabriel Parish** with a **5:30 am mass**, 6 am board the bus and at 1:30 pm join the Rally in Ottawa. The bus will arrive back at St. Gabriel Parish at approximately 10 pm. Cost is **\$35** per person. Contact Ewart Harris by email at Ewart.Harris@kofc.org or phone 416-559-4071.

BLANKET EXERCISE: On **May 10th**, **New Street CRC** will host a "BLANKET EXERCISE" at **7 pm**. It is a teaching tool that shares the historical and contemporary relationship between indigenous and non-indigenous people in Canada. World Renew (CRC Development arm) will be supporting this event through trained facilitators. Visit www.kairosblanketexercise.org for further information on this meaningful "exercise".

FUNDRAISER PASTA DINNER: All You Can Eat Pasta Fundraiser Dinner for Cross of Victory Pilgrimage 2018. **Sat. May 12th**, after the 5pm Mass at **St. John the Baptist Parish Hall**, 2016 Blairholm Ave. Support and learn more about this annual walking pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario. Tickets at the door -**\$12 per person**, **\$6 per child under 10** years old. Visit www.sites.google.com/site/2018crossofvictorypilgrimage/

ST. PAUL PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE AND TURKEY: Fr. Thomas Flynne LC warmly invites you to join and meet the St. Paul team for this trip by land and sea to both Greece and Turkey in September. The meeting is **May 16** at **7:30 pm** at **St. Paul Church**, 2265 Headon Rd.. They will discuss the itinerary and flight details as well as other information. Please join!

VOCATION: The greatest love story that ever happened: God's continuing love for His people. All God asks is "Love one another as I have loved you". The world really needs to see people who are trying to love others with all their hearts. Priests, religious and deacons can be excellent examples of this love. If you are willing to answer God's call, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 x2246 or email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, or visit the webpage www.HamiltonVocations.com.

SUNDAY FUNNY:



'Goody! Just what I've been waitin' for, a nice muddy day!"

