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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
<i>closed on Statutory Holidays</i>		

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.

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

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.

PARISH SCHOOLS

- Assumption High School
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- St. Raphael's Elementary
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- St. Paul's Elementary
905.632.1424

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905.681.6394

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See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

Please visit these websites: The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com
Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.HamiltonDiocese.org

FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE



Monday, November 21 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Mr. & Mrs. K Hayton

Tuesday, November 22 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Frances Wentges

Wednesday, November 23 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Joan Thomas

Thursday, November 24 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Zenaida Candelaria; + Marie Graham; + Mary Oravec;
Ints. Frances Wentges; Ints. Rosalind Maguire

Friday, November 25 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Lillian Orzel

Saturday, November 26 at 5:00 p.m.
+ Angelo Cutaia; + Patricia O'Grady; + Clinton Cox;
+ Jim Malcolm; + Julia Torres

Sunday, November 27
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners
11:00 a.m. + Angelo & Joyce Carlin

Please pray for the following:

Isabelle Wild	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
John Scharer	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
Mary Berry	Sarah Scharer	Gonzalez
Doug Pudsey	Vincent Stanford	Michael Dowson
Sylvia Gzik	Jim Singer	Milan Heck
Rosy Santos Perez	Catherine Gee	Helen Wepler
John O'Boyle	Elizabeth Talatala	Jane Urquhart
Frances Wentges	Maria Szkitalinski	Laith Yousif
Diane Svazas	Sr Rosalie Siegler	Irene Groves

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, November 13th \$ 5,572.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING AT ST. RAPHAEL PARISH

Please consider participating in the pre-authorized giving plan. Forms can be picked up in the parish entrance. The monthly collection for November was \$4,540.00.



YOUTH MASS: There will be a Youth Mass celebration every first Saturday of each month at 7 p.m. Our next Mass is **Saturday, December 3rd**. This Mass is open to everyone.

ST. RAPHAEL'S 5th ANNUAL GAMES/TRIVIA NIGHT:

Saturday, November 26th starting at 6:00 p.m., games start at 7:00 p.m. Bring your friends and family for an amazing night of trivia, games, laughs and fun! Tables of 8. Cost is \$10 pp which includes pizza and refreshments. Bring your own munchies. Tickets on sale after Mass or contact Renata: 905 637 2457, galwayrenata@gmail.com

FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

We have just witnessed some very disturbing aspects of the political world in the American elections. But we cannot abandon the world of politics. Rather we must try to preserve its authority as the servant of the common good, not the personal ambition of the elected officials. **We need to follow the One True Authority.** We need to follow Jesus Christ, the King of Kings. His only focus was on serving God. **Jesus did that by reverencing the Divine Presence in all of creation, particularly in that part of creation made in the Image and Likeness of God, human beings.** He showed us how to serve God by washing the feet of His disciples at the Last Supper and by laying down his life for us His friends on the Cross. When we are united to Him in communion we are united to the King who is calling us to give our bodies and blood up for others in service to the Father. **We can serve the King of Kings when the focus of our lives is to serve God in our every action.** We can rise above destructive politics, be they in our home, our community, our work, our country and even our Church. We can shape life-giving and positive politics by serving the King who created us to love, honor and serve him in all things and in all people.

We are confronted with choices throughout our lives. We can make political choices that conform to the seeking of justice, compassion and peaceful respect for all, choices that will make the presence of the Kingdom a reality in our world. Jesus Christ is our King. He is the King of the Universe who purifies our political world through us.

Msgr. Joe Pelligrino and Fr. Frank Wagner CSC



CWL CHRISTMAS WISH TREE in support of THE GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER is located in the foyer. Please take a tag and purchase a gift to put under the tree (unwrapped) **by Sunday, November 27th**. Thank you for your generosity.

ADVENT REFLECTION BOOKLETS: Starting next weekend, you are encouraged to pick up an Advent booklet to use throughout this Advent season. This year we have chosen a book of daily prayers titled "*Mercy from the Manger*" by Pope Francis. Also available for Teens and Young Adults is a book of devotions titled "*Advent See-Son*". Booklets will be located in the parish entrance. (A \$1 or \$2 donation is suggested.)



ANNUAL CHILDREN'S ADVENT PARTY:

All children in Kindergarten to grade 3 are invited to participate in arts/crafts, cookie decorating, etc. on **the first Sunday of Advent, November 27th** from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Admission: Free with a non-perishable food donation. All children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Please RSVP to Charlie at 905-681-6221 or bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca

NEW SUNDAY MISSALS: The 2016-2017 Sunday Missals will be available next weekend. Please return them to the designated baskets at the end of each Mass. If you would like your own copy, Missals can be purchased for \$ 5.00 in the Religious Articles Store.



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER

Pope Francis writes: *"Since the market tends to promote extreme consumerism in an effort to sell its products, people can easily get caught up in a whirlwind of needless buying and spending. Compulsive consumerism is one example of how the techno-economic paradigm affects individuals; conformity is both reasonable and just".... This paradigm leads people to believe that they are free as long as they have the supposed freedom to consume. But those really free are the minority who wield economic and financial power. Amid this confusion, postmodern humanity has not yet achieved a new self-awareness capable of offering guidance and direction, and this lack of identity is a source of anxiety."* **Laudato si' #203**

November 25th is **Black Friday** in North America, the day that many people engage in a Christmas Shopping Frenzy. Why not consider attending the screening of the documentary film **"The True Cost; Who Pays the Price for our Clothing?"**, to be screened at Burlington Central Library, on Thursday November 24th from 7-9pm, doors open at 6:30pm, cost \$5 per person. "This is a story about clothing. It's about the clothes we wear, the people who make them, and the impact the industry is having on our world. The price of clothing has been decreasing for decades, while the human and environmental costs have grown dramatically." At a time of year marked by shopping and consumerism (Black Friday, Christmas), we present another, often unseen, side of consumerism." Remember also that Friday November 25th is known as "Buy Nothing Day"! **Advent begins next Sunday, November 27th, perhaps our thoughts can instead turn to preparing ourselves and our families to celebrate the birth of Jesus through prayer and kindness to the poor living in our world!**



Subsistence farming is the type of agriculture practiced by most small family farmers who feed about 70% of the world's population. They grow their own food and sell some of the surplus. They use this income to pay for health care, education clothing, etc., for their families. Global economic pressures and the effects of global climate change has had negative consequences for them. Small family farms are getting smaller while industrial farms are getting bigger. Small farms are overall more productive than big farms. We do not deny the good benefits of large scale farming, but small farmers need to be protected and supported. Thanks for signing the postcards to Prime Minister Trudeau. It is a small but useful moral/ethical act of a democratic, free and quite secure Canadian citizenship, with national and global implications. A positive Government response will make a real difference. *Fr. Frank*

BOOMERANG CARDS: Bridge and euchre sessions are held in the Parish Centre on **Monday afternoons at 1:00 p.m.** Join us for an afternoon of fun for only a toonie.



CWL GENERAL MEETING on Monday, November 21st will be held in the Parish Centre starting at **7:15 p.m.** (new start time). For more info contact Helen Sheehan @ 905-634-7481 or email at helen.sheehan@cogeco.ca

OPERA AT ST. RAPHAEL: Presented by the **Southern Ontario Lyric Opera Company.** Join us for an evening of operatic arias & sacred music on **Tuesday, December 6th at 7:00pm.** Featuring: Mezzo-soprano Cassandra Warner, Tenor Romulo Delgado & Members of the SOLO chorus, accompanied by Maestro Sabatino Vacca. Tickets \$25, Available after all weekend masses, by calling (905) 637-2346, or Renata at galwayrenata@gmail.com All proceeds go towards the Accessibility Project.

THANK YOU TO "COUPLES FOR CHRIST": A special thank you to the members of *Couples for Christ* and all who assisted them in hosting our Thanksgiving Dinner and Dance. The proceeds of this event (\$2000) were generously donated to our Accessibility Project.



SHIFRA HOMES BABY BOTTLES - please return as soon as possible the baby bottle you picked up at church and place it in the designated box located in the Welcoming Area outside of the St. Anthony Room. **300 bottles were distributed and 144 still need to be returned.** Let's get all the baby bottles returned this week-end. To date we have collected \$4,222.83. Shifra Homes thanks you for your generosity!



THANK YOU for your generous donations of \$3973.55 to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. This will greatly assist us in our sharing with our neighbours in need of Christmas Hampers.

KNITTING GROUP: Check out the display in the foyer this weekend! We are a group of ladies who have been knitting & crocheting for six years to provide warm clothing for St. Vincent de Paul boxes and the Good Shepherd Center at Christmas. We are in need of more workers. You can work at home at your leisure, we provide supplies. However much or little you can do, we appreciate it all greatly. For information call Rose 905-633-8455.



CHRISTMAS TURKEY ROLL: The Knights of Columbus Council 5073's Christmas Turkey Roll will happen **Friday, December 9th** at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2400 Industrial Drive, Burlington. The Christmas Turkey Roll is filled with food, fun and beverages plus many chances to win prizes. Proceeds help the Knights assist the less fortunate within Burlington. Come out with your friends, relatives and neighbours. The fun begins when the doors open at 6:30 pm, and the wheel starts rolling at 7:30 pm. Admission to this event is free. For more information contact Michael Mark: 905-333-3623 or mymark18@sympatico.ca

BABY FOOD DRIVE: Halton Alive is collecting baby food & formula to be donated to the local food banks. Drop off your donation at the office 760 Brant St. Unit 45A Burlington by Nov. 30th.

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