

# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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SPES UNICA

<b>OFFICE HOURS</b>	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.

## SACRAMENTS BAPTISMS & BECOMING ROMAN CATHOLIC

- For newborns, any weekend Mass.
- 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](http://www.TheCatholicCemeteries.ca)

## PARISH SCHOOLS

- Assumption High School  
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- St. Raphael's Elementary  
905.637.3810
- St. Paul's Elementary  
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**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HOTLINE**  
905.681.6394

## 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*

The Diocese of Hamilton [HamiltonDiocese.com](http://HamiltonDiocese.com) Catholics Come Home [www.CatholicsComeHome.org](http://www.CatholicsComeHome.org)  
Vocations [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

**Mass Intentions** 

(† = Deceased Intention; Int = Intentions of...;  
Thx = Thanksgiving)

Monday, Nov. 27	Int Max Wilson
Tuesday, Nov. 28	† Meco Poliziani
Wednesday, Nov. 29	† Michael Jason Lewis
Thursday, Nov. 30	Int John Dowson
† Dr. Roger Chambers	† Enio Maniccia
† Mary Kay Butler	† Freiburger Family
† Lorenzo Chinh Pham & Maria Hue Nguyen	
Friday, Dec. 1, 9am	† Martin Perusini
Friday, Dec 1, 6:30pm	† Claire Gillies
Saturday, Dec. 2	Thx Mr. & Mrs. Bendio
† Monique Cogan	† Yvonne Richard
† Alvaro Trigo	† Mike Lukawenko
† Melania Lim	† Joseph Fauteux
† Souls in Purgatory	
Sunday, Dec 3, 11am	† Nisbet Forsyth

**NEW SUNDAY MISSALS:** If you would like your own copy of the 2023-2024 Sunday Missal, please pick one up in the church lobby after Mass (suggested donation \$5).

**CENACLE PRAYER GROUP:** The Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle occurs weekly in the St. Anthony room, please join us on Mondays after the 9am Mass. We pray the Rosary, read one of the messages given by our Lady to Fr. Gobbi from the book "To the Priests Our Lady's Beloved Sons", and make a consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. For more information contact Sylvia Heald at 905-632-4862.

**Please pray for:**

† Teresa Clark                      † Ethel Karcz  
Peter Lavryssen                      Vincent Stanford

*Names on this list will remain for a period of four weeks to allow space for other names. Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.*

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Nov 19, 2023

Envelopes (134)                      \$3,134  
Loose                                      \$479  
Pre-Authorized Giving – Nov. 15 (84)                      \$8,911

*Thank you for your generous support*

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC OR LEARNING MORE ABOUT YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH?**



Then maybe the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the place for you. The RCIA journey introduces the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church through a series of prayerful reflections, video presentations, faith sharing and small group discussions designed to help participants to become full members of the Catholic Church. Classes (usually 75 minutes long) continue on **Wednesday, November 29 at 7:00pm** with the topic **"Why Do I Need the Church? The Mystery of the Catholic Church"** All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact the parish office.



**CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT SIGN-UP & CHILDREN'S ADVENT PARTY THIS WEEKEND:**

The Children's Advent Party is this Sunday from **1:30 - 3pm** in the parish hall. At the party there will be a sign-up sheet for any children wishing to participate in the **Christmas Eve Pageant**. If you are not able to attend the party but wish to have your child involved in the Christmas Eve Pageant, please contact Charlie at 905-681-6221 or [bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca](mailto:bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca)



**THE GOOD SHEPHERD TREE OF HOPE:**

Once again this year, the Tree of Hope for the Good Shepherd will be in the church lobby until December 1st. Please take a tag from the tree and purchase the item on the tag and return it UNWRAPPED and place it in the bin under the tree. **In December, we will deliver the gifts to the Good Shepherd** for their Christmas distribution. Your past generosity has been well noted by the staff and families in need.

**MINISTRY DAY:** On **Saturday, December 2**, after the 5pm mass come to the Parish Hall to learn about the many ministries we have operating at our parish and all the wonderful work they do. All Ministry Leaders are encouraged to attend. Consider joining a ministry that inspires you.



**INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL:**

Our country Canada is blessed with many cultures and different ethnicities. We are blessed with many gifts and treasures. We cherish the unity in diversity. Join the parish on **Sat. Dec 2 at 6pm** to share fellowship with one another. We will share food, culture, entertainment and various traditions from around the world. (Italian, Portuguese, Kenyan, Indian, Philipino, Sri Lankan, South American, Chinese etc.) Please sign up in the parish welcome area. This event is Bring your Own Wine and Beer.



**BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD  
ADVENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN:**

Women are invited to join our prayerful Advent Retreat for Women on **Saturday, December 9, from 9am to noon**. The programme for the morning consists of a Eucharistic Liturgy, *Praying in Colour*, Lectio Divina, and a shared lunch. Suggested donation is \$10 at the door. Please register in advance online at: <https://forms.gle/RG8FbogmSx1cRXcs8> or by phoning the parish office.

**65<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DINNER THANK YOU:** Many thanks to everyone for their hard work putting together our wonderful Celebration for our 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Thank you to all the people who planned and organized the event, to the parishioners who organized the food and the table settings, to the parishioners who prepared the slideshow, to the past parishioners and priests who shared their fond memories with us. Thank you to everyone who came out to celebrate this special anniversary with us. Once again **THANK YOU** for your participation and help to make this event successful.

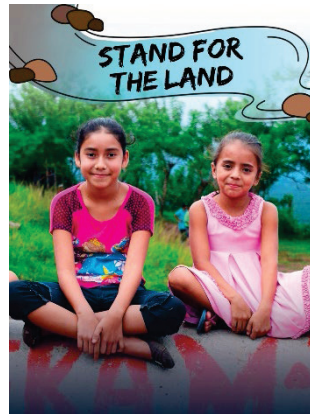
**COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS...WHEN YOU HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE:** Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas. The session will be facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry. The gathering will be held at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. West in Hamilton, on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. You are welcome to join the session in person or by zoom. The event is **FREE** of charge. Please call Sarah to reserve a seat, or to receive the zoom link: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or register online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/family-ministry/healing-and-or-counselling/coping-with-the-holidays/> (You must register to join by zoom; in person you can also walk in the day of the event.)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & HABITAT FOR HUMANITY:**

Come to the parish hall on **November 27 at 7pm**, to hear a special guest speaker from Habitat for Humanity with a presentation on their work within our community. The Knights of Columbus will learn how they can help out with Habitat for Humanity's projects and partner with them for future fund-raising events. Refreshments provided. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**CHRISTMAS MERCHANDISE AT THE RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE:** Visit our Religious Articles Store to see the wonderful selection of Christmas items; there is more to come. Pick up a gift for a loved one.

**DEVELOPMENT & PEACE: Thank you for standing for the land**



Thousands of Canadians [signed the letter](#) in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in Honduras who are protecting their water and fighting for their rights.

The *Create Hope – Stand for the Land* campaign aims to collect **32,000 signatures by February 25, 2024**. A delegation of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada members and staff will then

meet with the Honduran ambassador to Canada to show our support and solidarity.

On behalf of all those struggling to preserve their land, their water, their culture and their lives, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for your continued commitment and mobilization. Together, we are building a world of justice.

- ✓ To **sign our petition** and to continue supporting our campaign, visit [devp.org/act](http://devp.org/act).

To **become a member** and support our mission, visit [devp.org/joinus](http://devp.org/joinus).

**2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:** Please pick up your envelopes in the parish entrance, [by the elevator](#). Please note some envelope numbers have changed for the New Year to reduce waste. For assistance, please contact the office.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** If you haven't yet done so, please take the time to complete the Parish Registration Form. We are using these forms to keep our parishioner database up-to-date. We thank all our many parishioners who have already submitted the registration form.

**HOME EUCHARIST MINISTRY:** *“Service is the sign of true love. Those who love know how to serve others.”* - Pope Francis. Are you interested in participating in our Home Eucharist Ministry? We have a need for volunteers to serve our homebound, LTC and hospital parishioners by bringing Sunday communion. For more information please contact: John Fauteux, [tjfauteux@me.com](mailto:tjfauteux@me.com), **905.635.2586 (h)**

**FUNERAL LUNCHEON COMMITTEE:**

The Funeral Luncheon Ministry is in need of volunteers. Positions for phoning, set-up, serving and cleanup need to be filled. If you can spare an hour to three hours, on occasion, please consider this ministry. For more details, please call Marlene Cox: 905-634-0733.



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