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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
905.634.1835
- St. Raphael's Elementary
905.637.3810
- St. Paul's Elementary
905.632.1424

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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

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

TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF THE LORD IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday, October 3 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Michael Sharpe

Tuesday, October 4 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Laura Colby

Wednesday, October 5 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Joe Lawlor

Thursday, October 6 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Rosa Subido; + Carmen Sant; + Gerald Dunn;
Ints. Jo Fletcher

Friday, October 7 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Michael Sharpe

Saturday, October 8 at 5:00 p.m.
+ Tony Giovino; + Diana Raposa;
+ Jack Theurer; + Victor Flus; Ints. Maria Jose Cunha

Sunday, October 9
9:00 a.m. + Rob Pustai
11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF THE LORD IN ORDINARY TIME

Next Thanksgiving weekend, we will remember and celebrate our gratitude for the harvests and the other blessings we enjoy. Last Sunday's Scriptures **challenged us to hear the cry of the poor. Today's Gospel declares that we declare that, "We have done what we ought to have done"**.

This past week, Pope Francis defined the **United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** as "an important sign of hope". He said, "*The protection of our common home requires a growing global political consensus. Along these lines, I am gratified that in September 2015 the nations of the world adopted the Sustainable Development Goals, and that, in December 2015, they approved the Paris Agreement on climate change, which set the demanding yet fundamental goal of halting the rise of the global temperature. Now governments are obliged to honour the commitments they made, while businesses must also responsibly do their part. It is up to citizens to insist that this happen, and indeed to advocate for even more ambitious goals.*" Pope Francis also emphasized that "*economics and politics, society and culture cannot be dominated by thinking only of the short-term and immediate financial or electoral gains. Instead, they urgently need to be redirected to the common good, which includes sustainability and care for creation*". Therefore, Pope Francis continued, "*the simplest and best measure and indicator of the implementation of the new Agenda for development will be the effective, practical and immediate access, on the part of all, to essential material and spiritual goods: housing, dignified and properly remunerated employment, adequate food and drinking water, religious freedom and, more generally, spiritual freedom and education.*"

R.C.I.A PROCESS: We are now in the Inquiry Stage. Classes are every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. and end on the Feast of Pentecost. For more information please speak to Fr. Frank or contact the parish office at 905-637-2346

ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT: INFORMATION SESSION
All parishioners are invited to an information session to be held this **Sunday, October 2nd at 12 noon** (after the 11:00 a.m. Mass) in the church. You will be presented with a project update and given the opportunity to ask questions. We hope to see you there.

SHIFRA HOMES - "*Shifra*" a mid-wife mentioned in the Bible. The Catholic Women's League members will be distributing baby bottles for Shifra Homes after all the Masses this week-end. This pro-life organization has helped many pregnant young homeless women and although there are several corporate sponsors; and countless volunteers, they still need our financial support. Simply fill baby bottles with your loose change; paper money or cheques and return the bottle to the designated box in the Welcome area of our church by the end of October. Please note income tax receipts will be issued for donations over \$10.00 (fill in the paper found in the bottles). Thank you in advance for your generosity and prayers for these young women and their precious babies.

Please pray for the following:

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

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, September 25th \$ 5,042.00
Needs of the Canadian Church \$ 1,320.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: There will be a **Transitus of St. Francis** with the Third Order Franciscans (Mass with special prayers) on **Monday, October 3 at 7:00 p.m.** All are invited to attend. The Feast of St. Francis is celebrated on **Tuesday, October 4** at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

LADIES COFFEE MORNING: All Ladies are invited this **Wed., October 5th** at 9:30 a.m. in the St. Francis Room.

WE NEED YOUR HELP in HEM - Home Eucharistic Ministry. What a rewarding ministry! The people we serve really appreciate it. Can you help? Once every four weeks on a Sunday would help us get Jesus to those who cannot come to Mass. To find out more, please call Wilma Malick 905-870-0641.



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER
October 4: Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron of ecologists, peace and animals.

In his Introduction to "Laudato si'", Pope Francis writes: *"I do not want to write this Encyclical without turning to that attractive and compelling figure, whose name I took as my guide and inspiration when I was elected Bishop of Rome. I believe that Saint Francis is the example par excellence of care for the vulnerable and of an integral ecology lived out joyfully and authentically. He is the patron Saint of all who study and work in the area of ecology, and he is also much loved by non-Christians. He was particularly concerned for God's creation and for the poor and outcast....He shows us just how inseparable the bond is between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace."* Laudato si #9 Today, October 2 we observe **World Habitat Day!** Pope Francis reminds us that *"The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change"* Laudato si #13 This week, challenge yourself and your family to find some small habit to develop that can become a lasting action to protect our common home the earth and our concern for justice for the poor and outcasts! This week is **Walk to School Week**. Perhaps you can walk with your children to school or make a point to walk to complete errands that are near to home. Perhaps we can take a look at new ways to **REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE** in our daily lives in order to decrease our impact on the environment. What small way can become your habit to care for our planet Earth?

THANKSGIVING DINNER & DANCE: Couples For Christ and It's Ministries [Halton Chapter] is hosting a semi-formal Thanksgiving dinner/dance in the **St. Raphael Parish Centre** on **Saturday, October 29, 2016** from 6:30 p.m. [after the 5:00pm mass]. Please purchase your tickets after Mass in the foyer. The cost per adult is \$20.00 and children under 12 years old are free. There will also be a cash bar. This is a "first come, first serve" basis due to hall capacity. Come and join us for an evening of food, friends, entertainment & fellowship!

NEEDS OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH COLLECTION
Every year, the Bishops of Canada make an appeal for financial assistance to support their work and the work of each diocese by means of the Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada. The CCCB is the national assembly of the Catholic Bishops in Canada. Through your contribution to the Collection, you too can collaborate with the Bishops in their ministry to teach, sanctify and govern. Please consider a donation using the marked envelope in your offertory box or using your own envelope marked with your name and address. Thank you.

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 2ND: Life Chain is also Oct. 2nd and open to EVERYONE! Please join millions of people across North America as we take a stand for the unborn. **BURLINGTON: Fairview and Maple, 2:30-3:30pm.**

JUBILEE FOR FAMILIES: Pope Francis has called on Dioceses around the world to celebrate special groups during this the Year of Mercy. Join us for the **Jubilee of Families on Saturday, October 15, 2016**; speakers include Bishop Daniel Miehme, who will celebrate Mass at 5 pm. Participants will have a chance to see the new Saint John's Bible and enter the Cathedral Basilica through the Holy Doors. Come and celebrate family since this Jubilee is intended for all people of faith as the Church is a family of families! Parent or not, single or married, young and old, plan to attend – there will be a program for children and a special workshop for grandparents. Come as a family, come on your own, all are welcome. For more information and to register see the Diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com (look under upcoming events), or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIM SUNDAY: All are welcome to come to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton for a Year of Mercy Pilgrimage and pass through the Doors of Mercy on **Sunday, October 16th**. The Doors of Mercy will open at 2:00 p.m. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:30 p.m., the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction will begin at 3:00 p.m. Pilgrims are welcome to stay for the 4:00p.m. Mass.

VOLUNTEERS FOR BIRTHRIGHT HAMILTON: Giving hope at Birthright means finding a way to bridge the gap between the fear people feel when they face an unplanned pregnancy and the hope they find when their needs have been met. Offering free pregnancy tests, counselling and many other services, we help those facing a pregnancy say "yes" to life. Can you help us reach out to them in their time of need by becoming a volunteer? If so, please call Birthright at 905 527-3677 and ask for Eva.

"GRIEF RELIEF" Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? You are not alone! "Grief Relief" - a six week educational and support series dealing with grief. When: Thursdays, from **Oct. 13th to Nov. 17th**, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m., Diocese of Hamilton Chancery Office – 700 King St. West (next to the Cathedral Basilica) There is no cost to participate. You are free to attend all sessions, or any one or more you can. To register: Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com or www.hamiltondiocese.com

MECO POLIZIANI COLOUR RUN: Thursday, October 13th at 6 p.m. (registration at 5 p.m.), Assumption High School. Bring your own sunglasses. Cost: \$25 adult, \$20 child, \$75 family(4). Includes t-shirt, food & refreshments, prizes. All proceeds go to Good Shepherd Ministries. Everyone is invited to participate! gobluego.ca

ROSARY CRUSADE: October 3rd to 12th for 10 days **St. Charles Garnier Parish**, 129 Hughson Street South, we will be praying all the mysteries of the Holy Rosary from 7 pm onward. Please come with your family and join us in prayer and benediction. Opportunity to make prayers and petitions and light candles for your loved ones. Please invite other people also to join in prayer!

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