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.

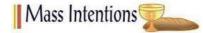
FUNERALS

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, October 25 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Jennifer Kelner

Tuesday, October 26 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Mass of Thanksgiving for Margaret Braganza

Wednesday, October 27 at 9:00 a.m. + Mary Ellen Theurer

Thursday, October 28 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Margaret Koritko; Ints. Kristin Navarro Ints. Hélène Masse; + Tony Ogborn; + Golia Pietrantony

> Friday, October 29 at 9:00 a.m. + Rudolf Sandorfi

Saturday, October 30 at 5:00 p.m. Ints. Johnathan Fowler; + Angel Mercado + Terrance & Ellen Sheehan; + Emil Komac + Elizabeth Grimminck

Sunday, October 31

9:00 a.m. + Santos/Astillero Family 11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Please pray for:

Vanessa Rodrigues
Albert Rodrigues
John Scharer
Mary Berry
Doug Pudsey
Peggy Evans
Lee Olds
Stephen Pustai
Michael Smart
Kyle Elliott
Pat Malcolm
Elizabeth Elder
Heather Allen
Joseph & Madeleine
Zucco

Nicola Izzi 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 Frank Sicoli James Cook Maritza Garcia Gonzalez Milan Heck Helen Weppler Jane Urquhart Laith Yousif Mary Lilly Vincent Stanford Frank Clarke Marie Bond Ron Robertson Gary Olds Helen Sheehan Rev. Fred Olds

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.

A vision of comfort and healing is offered for the **Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time**. In Jeremiah, we see the Lord gathering "his people" - the blind, the lame and the helpless innocents, bringing them together to console and guide them. In **Mark's Gospel**, Bartimaeus, the blind beggar has the courage to beg for healing from Jesus. He is hushed by the crowd but continues to call loudly for Jesus, who hears him and heals him. "Go your way; your faith has saved you."

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: WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Pope Francis writes:

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... Humanity still has the ability to work together in building our common home. Here I want to recognize, encourage and thank all those striving in countless ways to guarantee the protection of the home which we share. Particular appreciation is owed to those who tirelessly seek to resolve the tragic effects of environmental degradation on the lives of the world's poorest. Young people demand change. They wonder how anyone can claim to be building a better future without thinking of the environmental crisis and the sufferings of the excluded. Laudato Si' # 13

How you can help to make sustainable life changes to end extreme poverty, fight inequality, to address climate change. Goals are important and average people can make an impact. We would like to share some of them that can have a positive impact for Our Common Home:

- Do a bit of online research and buy only from companies that you know have sustainable practices that don't harm the environment.
- Save electricity by plugging appliances into a power bar and turning them off completely when not in use, including your computer.
- Take short showers. Bathtubs require gallons more water than a 5-10 minute shower.
- Freeze fresh produce and leftovers if you don't have the chance to eat them before they go spoil. You can also do this with take-away or delivered food, if you know you will not be able to eat it the next day. You will save food and money.
- Avoid pre-heating the oven. Unless you need a precise baking temperature, start heating your food when you turn on the oven.
- Plug air leaks in windows and doors to increase energy efficiency.
- Choose a better diaper option. Swaddle your baby in cloth diapers or a new, environmentally responsible disposable brand.
- If you have the option, install solar panels in your house. This will also reduce your electricity bill! <u>http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/takeaction/</u>



OFFERTORY COLLECTION October 17th, 2021

Envelopes (103)	\$4,289
Loose	\$127
Needs of the Canadian Church (1)	\$35
Evangelization of the Nations (5)	\$82
15 October - Pre-authorized Giving (71)	\$7,081

Thank you for your continued support!

IN OUR PARISH



SATURDAY MORNING MASS FOR

VOCATIONS: Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Formation, has formed a Vocations Committee consisting of 7 Priests (one from each Deanery) to offer a monthly Saturday morning Mass for

vocations. The Serra club promotes and supports vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Members of the Serra Club of Halton will assist in scheduling and hosting the monthly Mass, and will be present to answer any questions you may have about Serra.

A special Mass for Vocations will be offered in St. Raphael Parish, at 10 am on Saturday, November 6th, to pray for more "workers in the Lord's vineyard." Please attend and support this Vocations initiative.

The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet, but shouted all the louder in prayer "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, call Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2246.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/



YEARLY MEMORIAL MASS: It is our custom to remember and celebrate the deceased members of our family in the month of November. As we were not able to celebrate this mass during the lockdown last year, this year we will remember and pray especially for those who have died during the past two years. This special mass will take place on November 2nd, at 7pm in the church. Everyone is welcome to attend.



BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC: Are

you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Are you a Catholic who has not received JOURNEY IN FAITH First Eucharist and/or Confirmation, or

do you know someone who is a Catholic but has not received these Sacraments? Then maybe the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the place for you or them. Every year thousands of adults are welcomed into the Roman Catholic Church through the RCIA process. The RCIA is a series of instructions, faith development and rituals designed to help adults and older children become full members of the Catholic Church. Classes begin in early September and end on the Feast of Pentecost. The topic for the next class is An Introduction to the Bible: Old Testament: God and Creation and will be on Wednesday, October 27th at 7pm in the parish hall. For more information, please contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING AT ST. RAPHAEL PARISH Pre-Authorized Giving allows those who wish to have their monthly donations debited directly from their bank accounts. Why Should I Participate? • Convenience: Your offering is deducted from your account once each month and automatically deposited in the Parish account. • You can plan your giving in advance for the whole year.

• You can continue to support the Parish when you are away. Advantages for St. Raphael Parish: • A regular, dependable flow of contributions to the church,

especially over the summer holiday months.

• A reduction of processing time for the Volunteers who count the collection every Sunday.

We respect that giving is a very personal thing, but we hope the implementation of this optional plan will be a source of convenience for you. Brochures are available in the parish entrance or in the office.

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SYNOD OF BISHOPS 2023

Pope Francis recently announced that the next Synod of Bishops will take place in October 2023. The Theme of the Synod is: For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission. For the first time, the meeting will be the culmination of a "three-year path" involving all of the People of God at every level of the Church. This "path" is a process rather than an event, which Pope Francis will solemnly inaugurate this October 9-10, is meant to be a manifestation of "synodality) which is a form that realizes the participation of all the people of God in mission.

The synodal path will take place in three phases. The first phase (October 2021to April 2022) under the leadership of the Bishop in each Diocese. This stage is conceived as a broad consultation with the People of God in each Diocese. The second phase (September 2022 to March 2023) is the "continental" phase. This will involve the fruit of deliberations on each Continent. For example, Canada and the United States of America will collate their responses to the questions posed by the Holy See and submit them to the General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops in Rome by March 2023. The final phase of the Synod will take place in October 2023 with the celebration of the Assembly of Bishops in Rome.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in your name.

With you alone to guide us, make yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in you our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of the truth and what is right.

All this we ask of you, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, for ever and ever. Amen.

