## ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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Served by the Holy Cross Fathers
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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
closed on Statutory Holidays

#### **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

## 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

# 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

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Monday, October 4 at 9:00 a.m. + Jeff Meaden

**Tuesday, October 5** at 9:00 a.m. Communion Service

**Wednesday, October 6** at 9:00 a.m. Communion Service

**Thursday, October 7** at 9:00 a.m. + Michael Colameco

**Friday, October 8** at 9:00 a.m. + Alex McAllister

**Saturday, October 9** at 5:00 p.m. + Karen Kroetsch; + Ray Yotingco; + Frank Bruni; + Souls in Purgatory Special Intention of Jonathan Fowler

#### Sunday, October 3

9:00 a.m. + Lucia Kiang 11:00 a.m. For our Parishioners

#### Please pray for the following:

Vanessa Rodrigues Nicola Izzi Maritza Garcia Albert Rodrigues Sarah Scharer Gonzalez John Scharer Elizabeth Talatala Milan Heck Mary Berry Helen Weppler Asia Rae Landry Noah Landry Doug Pudsey Jane Urguhart Peggy Evans Alison Zierl Laith Yousif Rosario Herve Lee Olds Mary Lilly Stephen Pustai Jill Olds Vincent Stanford Michael Smart Joanne Pringle Frank Clarke Kyle Elliott Robert Connelly Marie Bond Pat Malcolm Jones Rodney Ron Robertson Elizabeth Elder Barbara Fisher Gary Olds Laurie Suddaby Helen Sheehan Heather Allen Joseph & Madeleine Rev. Fred Olds Frank Sicoli Zucco James Cook

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 a.m.

On the **Twenty-seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time** the readings speak of marriage and partnership. In the **Book of Genesis**, Adam does not find a suitable partner until the Lord creates woman. **Psalm 128** praises the Lord who blesses home and family. In **Mark's Gospel**, the Pharisees test Jesus asking if it is lawful for a husband to divorce his wife. The question is meant to be a trap for Jesus but he repeats the scripture in Genesis. The gospel ends with Jesus urging us to be like children were in that society - unimportant and with no status. "The kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Then he embraced and blessed the children.

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: <a href="http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html">http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html</a>
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#### ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER:

October 4<sup>th</sup>: Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and the Culmination of "The Season of Creation" and World Habitat

Day

Pope Francis writes: Caring for our brothers and sisters means caring for the home we share. "Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue" LS #217

**Laudato Si' Goal #6, Ecological Spirituality** recovers a religious vision of God's creation and encourages greater contact with the natural world in a spirit of wonder, praise, joy and gratitude. Let us be mindful of our responsibility to be stewards of the great gift of the Earth and all of the inhabitants that dwell on it; the whole created order.

Saint Francis of Assisi taught us to be merciful with our brothers and sisters on Earth! **This month, have your family create an Eco- Prayer Calendar:** Each day, choose a place, plant or animal that you love. Record it on the calendar with a picture or symbol and pray with positive intention for that place, plant or animal and the entire Ecosystem that supports it.

#### Common Prayer for the Sixth Anniversary of Laudato Si'

Creator God, we thank you for the gift of life which you lovingly wove into being. We confess we have not cared for your creation. Your world grows hotter, hungrier, sicker, and the people and planet cry out for hope. In your love, Lord, we answer for we know that things can change. Give us the courage to bring *Laudato Si'* to life to care for all communities and species suffering from environmental harm. Bless all who labor for an integral ecology that they might inspire others to discover your face in our suffering and beautiful world. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.



#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

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**DEVELOPMENT & PEACE: Let's stand with the oppressed in their quest for recognition:** In Honduras and Cambodia,
organizations supported by Development and
Peace are raising the voices of communities
oppressed by a model of economic
development that violates their rights. This

year, the action highlighted by the **People and Planet First** campaign is about holding Canadian companies
accountable for their operations abroad - to ensure that
Canada is not complicit in the violation of the rights of our
brothers and sisters. Get involved at:

https://www.devp.org/en

STATEMENT FROM THE CANADIAN CATHOLIC **BISHOPS ON RECONCILIATION WITH INDIGENOUS** 

PEOPLES OF CANADA: The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally.

Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, they invited the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. They further committed to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves. A delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous Peoples, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. The Bishops of Canada have pledged to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We are committed to continue the journey with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit www.cccb.ca

#### IN OUR PARISH

#### **COMMUNION SERVICE ON TUESDAY AND**

WEDNESDAY: The Fathers of Holy Cross will have their chapter from Monday evening, October 4th, until Wednesday evening, October 6th. There will not be a 9 am mass on Tuesday or Wednesday, instead there will be a communion service led by the lay ministers. As the Fathers of Holy Cross join together for prayer and planning about their future please offer them your prayers.

#### POSTPONED FIRST COMMUNION AND **CONFIRMATIONS FROM SPRING 2021: Our**

parish has rescheduled the postponed spring Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. All parents of registered students should have received an email with an invitation and link to select a date. The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be held at our parish on Sun. October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held at our parish on Sat. October 16th, 23rd, & 30th at 2:00 pm.

#### IN OUR COMMUNITY



**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** is a focused 40 day campaign of prayer, fasting and community outreach. Prayer takes place at the corner of Proudfoot Trail and Dundas Street from 7 am to 7 pm, September 22nd to October 31st

2021. For more information visit:

https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/oakville or text /contact Steve Germann at 905 333 6472

#### **DEVELOPMENT & PEACE: FALL ACTION CAMPAIGN** WORKSHOP. On Tuesday, October 5, from 7 - 9 pm

Development & Peace are hosting a virtual workshop via Zoom, to register go to:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclf-2rqjMiHtGmh1K0yDHi290u8T3XqoLO

Please note: if you're not able to attend this workshop, there are a few others that are open to everyone!

Wednesday, October 6 at 7pm, and Saturday, October 9 at 10 am

WALK TOWARDS TRUTH: The Walk Towards Truth is a 21 km reflective walk, organized by a group which is eager to work on awareness and healing with our Indigenous brothers and sisters. The Walk, on **Sunday**, October 17th, passes by the Woodland Cultural Centre in Brantford (the former Mohawk Institute Residential School) towards the Six Nations of the Grand River reserve, a journey many of the children would have taken. We mourn the loss, and fundraise for the Woodland Cultural Centre, to support the community and to keep the memory of the children alive. For further information, and to donate, please go to:

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/m/64711/donation

#### YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH INFORMATION SESSION:

The spiritual growth ministry of Port Nelson United Church is holding a free information session for youth age 12 and up and interested adults at 7 pm on Tuesday October 19 at Port Nelson United Church (3132 South Drive, Burlington) in the Roseland Room and livestreamed. Please register at <a href="https://portnelson.ca/youth-mental-">https://portnelson.ca/youth-mental-</a> health/visit or call 905-637-5631.

#### **SUNDAY FUNNY:**



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