

# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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<b>OFFICE HOURS</b>	Mon-Fri	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
	Tues & Thurs	6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
	Saturday	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
	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, every first and third Sunday at 2:00 PM
- 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  
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- St. Paul's Elementary  
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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*

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

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Monday, September 14

*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*  
9:00 a.m. Wanda Perepeluk +

#### Tuesday, September 15

*Our Lady of Sorrows*  
*The Feast of the Congregation of Holy Cross*  
9:00 a.m. John Kosir +

#### Wednesday, September 16

9:00 a.m. Steve Arenovich +

#### Thursday, September 17

9:00 a.m. Chester Gzik +  
Margaret Pinto +  
Rita Bradbury +  
Alice Durnin +  
John & Marie Arsenault, Spec. Int.

#### Friday, September 18

9:00 a.m. Lincoln Munshaw, Spec. Int.  
Mary Beth Vanscoy +

#### Saturday, September 19

5:00 p.m. Ann Macdonald +  
Stanley Krupa +  
Dennis & Lynda Roy, Spec. Int.  
Sylvia Heald, Spec. Int.  
Patty McConnell, Spec. Int.

#### Sunday, September 20

9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners  
11:00 a.m. Kevin O'Dowd +

#### ***Please pray for the following:***

Maureen Fisher	Isabelle Wild
Helen Plouffe	Martin Dawson
John Scharer	Darryll Malley
Mary Berry	Molly Laporte
Nicola Izzi	Sarah Scharer
Vincent Stanford	Jim Singer
Maritza Garcia Gonzalez	



*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 afternoon.*



#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup> \$6,451.00

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish.*



#### **NOTICE OF UPCOMING MARRIAGE:**

There is a promise of marriage between *Natalie Commisso* and *Nathan Vancardo*. The wedding will take place on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.



**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 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 are every Wednesday beginning on **Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. and end on the Feast of Pentecost. For more information please speak to Fr. Frank or Fr. Francis. You may also contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

#### **FEAST OF ST. RAPHAEL**

**NOVENA:** In preparation for the Feast of St. Raphael on Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a Novena Prayer at every Mass beginning on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.

**MASSES ON SEPTEMBER 29:** In honour of our Patron Saint, St. Raphael, there will be a morning Mass at 9:00 a.m. and an evening Mass at 7:00 p.m. on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Each Mass will be followed by a small reception in the parish gathering area.

**PARISH GARDENS:** Our newly formed Gardening Team invites families of our parish to meet at the parish on Saturday, September 19 and Saturday, September 26 to help enhance our gardens in time for the Feast of St. Raphael. Please bring your shovels, gardening gloves, rakes, and watering cans. You are also invited to bring plant donations from your own garden – such as hostas, sedums and other perennials that transplant well.

#### **A SPECIAL WELCOME TO FR. WILFRID MURCHLAND**

On Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> Fr. Francis will be leaving for India to participate in his Vicariate Chapter and will be returning on October 14<sup>th</sup>. During this time Fr. Wilfrid Murchland, CSC, will be with us to assist Fr. Frank. Fr. Murchland has been ordained for 52 years and served the Church in Canada in a variety of ministries as an educator in the faith: St. Thomas University, Fredericton; St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon; President of Newman College, Edmonton; and as Pastoral Associate in Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Edmonton. While Superior of the Region of English Canada of the Congregation of Holy Cross, he accepted the invitation by Bishop Crosby to the Holy Cross Fathers to come to minister in St. Raphael Parish. We welcome him here while Fr. Francis is in India.



#### **ALTAR SERVERS SIGN-UP**

Students in grade 4 and up interested in altar serving, registration will take place AFTER all Masses the weekend of **September 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**. \*\*\*Volunteer hours will be given to high school students\*\*\*

**FUNERAL SERVERS MINISTRY:** We are looking for volunteers, men and women, to help serve at funerals. If you are interested, please contact Jerry Ponikvar at 905-333-5813.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** On **Sept 19th/20th** we are introducing the Children's Liturgy at all our weekend masses, in the St. Francis Room. **We need leaders and student helpers.** The commitment is about one hour a month. Training is provided, as are all supplies and materials. No prep work involved. We provide letters of reference as well as community hours. Please consider joining our program. Contact Charlotte (anytime) for more information at 905-681-6221 or [bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca](mailto:bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca).



**ATTENTION Catholic Women's League**

**MEMBERS:** our next General Meeting will be held on **Monday, September 21 @ 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Centre. We will be discussing among other topics our social justice project - Baby Bottle campaign for Shifra Homes. If you need more information, please contact Helen @ 905-634-7481.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE ON ASSISTED SUICIDE:** On July 17, the Canadian government appointed an expert panel to examine the Supreme Court of Canada assisted suicide decision, with the intent of seeking consultation from individuals and groups. The input gathered will be used to make recommendations to the government about assisted suicide legislation. As Catholics we uphold the value and dignity of every human life and so **Bishop Crosby encourages every person in the Diocese of Hamilton** to sign up to receive consultation updates from the official website at [www.ep-ce.ca/consultation/](http://www.ep-ce.ca/consultation/). On the site you will see various ways you can provide your input. Please visit the Diocesan website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for more information on this topic. You may also wish to consult the material developed for the "Life-Giving Love" Campaign, launched last September by the Catholic Organization for Life and Family; more information is available on their web site at [www.colf.ca](http://www.colf.ca).



**PARKING LOT PROCEDURE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR**

Dear parishioners, the school year has begun and we want to remind all concerned that we will continue the process to safeguard pedestrians as they make their way to the schoolyard during the 8:20-8:35 time frame (Monday – Friday). You will again see pylons established at two points in the parking lot to create a safe zone for our students. No cars may enter or leave this area between 8:20-8:35 a.m. A Drop N Drive will again be established within the lot to permit students to walk into the Safe Zone. All of the pylons will be removed by 8:35 a.m. and the rear of the lot will be accessible throughout the remainder of the day. Father Frank has been supportive of the continued adherence to this process and will share his observations with me in late fall. Thank you once again to all of our community for your on-going support of this important safety item.

*Tom E. Durran  
Principal  
St. Raphael School*



**BOOMERANG CARDS:** Bridge and euchre sessions will resume on **Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 p.m. in the parish centre.

**MISSING PLATE:** A square white plate with cut out edges has gone missing from our last reception in June. If you accidentally took this plate could you please return to the parish centre kitchen.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We are looking for volunteers to help in our Religious Articles Store before and after the weekend Masses. If you are interested, or would like more information, please call the office at 905-637-2346.

**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES**

Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools are also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.

**Praying With the Sisters of St. Joseph:** All interested women are invited to join the Sisters of St. Joseph at the Residence (574 Northcliffe Avenue, Hamilton) on **Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** from 9:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. The theme for the day will be 'Discernment' led by Sister Nancy Sullivan. The day begins with Mass and there will be time for personal prayer and reflection. Lunch is included. Suggested contribution is \$20. Please call 905-528-0138 for directions or to register by September 13th.

**FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM 2015-2016:**

The "New and Improved" Foundations for Ministry Program is a course designed to offer lay Catholics the opportunity to learn more about the foundations of our Catholic faith: Church history, scripture, morality, sacraments and prayer. This foundation is useful to parishioners who serve in a variety of ministries. The course will be offered in Hamilton and Waterloo starting in October 2015. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 or check out our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for more information and for registration forms.

**PLANETARY POPE: The Ecology Encyclical of Pope Francis:**

Please join us **Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup>**, 7:00pm at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, King Street West, in Hamilton for Evening Prayer with Bishop Douglas Crosby OMI, followed by a talk by internationally renowned speaker Father John McCarthy. This evening will be filmed and shown live by Salt & Light TV. We hope that you can join us for this evening of prayer and Fr. John's talk which will help us to see the importance of Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si*. Copies of the encyclical will be available for purchase that evening. For further information please contact Monica at [mverin@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mverin@hamiltondiocese.com) or 905-52807988 ext. 2238

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