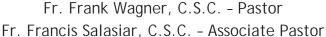
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1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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closed on Statutory Holidays



MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM year in advance.

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, every first and third Sunday at 2:00 PM
- 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
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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 21

The Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle 9:00 a.m. Tekla Devdas +

Tuesday, September 22

9:00 a.m. Cenka Kosir, Spec. Int

Wednesday, September 23

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Onuska Family

Thursday, September 24

9:00 a.m. Anita Bannon +

Joe & Joan Lawlor, Spec. Int. Frances McCann, Spec. Int.

Dr. Tony Salvo + Pedro Landicho +

Friday, September 25

9:00 a.m. Anne Mary Hoang Thi Hoe +

Saturday, September 26

5:00 p.m. Kathleen Farkas +

Bernard MacDonald + Maureen Malone +

Anne Mary Hoang Thi Hoe +

Monty Heald + Joan Rocca +

Sunday, September 27

9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners 11:00 a.m. Pat and John Rolland +

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

John Petrovsky 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 13th \$6,205.00

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 3rd.



BOOMERANG CARDS: Bridge and euchre sessions are held in the Parish Centre on Monday afternoons at 1:00 p.m. Come and join us for an afternoon of fun for only a toonie!



BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC: Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Classes are

every Wednesday beginning on **Wednesday**, **September 23rd** 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 29th, we will be having a Novena Prayer at every Mass beginning on Saturday, Sept. 19th.

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 29th. Each Mass will be followed by a small reception in the parish gathering area.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK will be offered at the 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Masses on Tuesday, September 29th.

PARISH GARDENS: Our newly formed Gardening Team invites families of our parish to meet at the parish on **Saturday, Sept. 26 between 9 a.m. and 12 noon** 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.

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY: WELCOMING NEW

MEMBERS Here at St. Raphael we have a welcoming presence with our hospitality committee members. We encourage new members to consider joining us. Our goal is to welcome and connect with our parishioners and visitors and make all feel at home in our parish. We need members of all ages who are comfortable meeting and greeting before Mass, as well as being available to assist or answer questions. Training and information is available. The reward is meeting and getting to know your fellow parishioners and being an integral part of St. Raphael Parish. The time commitment is before masses and on a monthly schedule. We urgently need persons for the 5 p.m. mass on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday. Interested? Please call Jim and Leony Hettinger at (905) 632-0792 or jhettinger@sympatico.ca



INSTALLATION OF THE PASTOR

A warm thanks to all who helped to make the Installation of the Pastor Mass and the Reception that followed a memorable event for the Parish. Although the ritual is

to officially recognize me as your pastor, it is also a reminder and a blessing for all the parishioners that a parish can only become a sign, foretaste and instrument of the Reign of God, when we all minister and serve together. The liturgical prayers at Mass and the wonderful variety of finger foods at the reception also remind us that we are called to nourish each other with prayer and fellowship. *Fr. Frank*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered to make the installation of our new priests such a success. Also thank you to the over 43 people who donated fruit, veggie, and dessert trays. What a wonderful show of support. PLATE AND TRAY PICKUP: Many plates and trays have been left over from the last two receptions that have been held in the parish centre. These will be available in the gathering area close to the vesting sacristy after all masses this coming weekend ONLY!



THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:

Thank you for your generous support. The month of September collection raised \$1732.00 for the needy in our community.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT FUNERALS: We are looking for volunteers, men and women, to help **altar serve** at funerals. If you are interested, please contact Jerry Ponikvar at 905-333-5813. We are also in need of volunteers to help **direct traffic** in the parking lots before and after funerals. If you can help, please contact Tom Olds at 905-637-3573.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Young Adults Meeting: Meetings are open to all young adults age 19 to 30 with a desire to engage in a new faith journey. Our first meeting is Friday, October 2nd from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at St. Raphael Church. Please meet in the St. Francis room. We hope to see you then! We also encourage all young adults to visit www.hypecatholic.com - this is a new ministry for young adults. Here you can find information on different events and faith reflections.

SENT / High School Youth Group: Our first meeting for this year is **Wednesday, September 23rd**, 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Our meetings are every week after school and we meet here at the church (St. Francis meeting room). We would also like to open an invitation to all teens to participate with us during many different events this year. If you are looking to complete your community hours please contact Cristian – Youth Minister at 905-637-2346

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING - Monday, September 21st @ 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. We welcome members and all ladies of the parish to join us. Come and share in fellowship and prayer. We will be discussing our social justice projects; upcoming social events and how we can best express our CWL goal of "One Heart, One Voice, One Mission". For more information, call Helen Sheehan @ 905-634-7481.

CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE SYSTEM OF NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: There will be an information session on the Creighton Model Fertility care System of Natural Family Planning on Saturday, September 26th at 10:30 a.m. in the St. Francis Room. This is an effective method for couples to achieve or avoid pregnancy and because of the standardization of the method, features Natural Procreative Technology (NaProTechnology) a new women's health science that is both natural and effective. For more Information: Sylvia Heald, B. Ed CFCP (Certified Fertility Care Practitioner) or www.fertilitycare.ca or www.naprotechology.com

COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA: SEPTEMBER 26, 2015. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is mandated by the Holy See and the Bishops of Canada to assist dioceses and their Bishops in a number of areas of pastoral life: faith formation, doctrine, ecumenical dialogues, international relations, interreligious conversations, liturgy, relations with Indigenous Peoples, social justice, and building a culture of life and family. In his letter to the parishes across the country in which he explains the Collection, CCCB President Archbishop Paul-André Durocher of Gatineau points out that this year's Collection is being held while a number of families from Canada are participating to the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, in response to an invitation from Pope Francis. In addition, the General Synod of Bishops on the family will soon begin. "This twofold coincidence reminds us of the importance of families as part of the Church's mission and as part of the work of the national conference and the regional assemblies. The Church's commitment to families is one more reason why all the faithful in our country will want to ensure the collection's success through their generosity and solidarity," the CCCB President writes.

SAVE THE DATE: The annual **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** will take place on **Sunday, October 4th at 2:30 p.m.** outside, in the front of the church. All are welcome to bring their pets for a special blessing!

Around the Diocese

Faith in Action...a time for change! Please join us for this very important workshop session Saturday, October 3, 2015, 9:30 am – 2:30 pm at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. West, Hamilton. (lunch will be provided). A voice for change will only come from Hatred or Love...."God does not need our work but is thirsty for our love"...He asks us first of all to let ourselves be loved, to believe in his love, and that it is always possible for change to happen. As Catholics we come at change out of love. Join us for a day focusing on Social Justice issues including Housing, Health, Homelessness, the Environment and Equality. To register contact Monica at moverin@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2238

PLANETARY POPE: The Ecology Encyclical of Pope Francis: Please join us Sunday, October 4th, 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, SJ, who will help us to see the importance of Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si. For further information contact Monica at mverin@hamiltondiocese.com / 905-528-7988 ext. 2238

FIND YOUR VOICE! Take the Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking. Learn public speaking skills, gain confidence, and get involved in your parish community. Two courses begin Sept 21 at McMaster University, and Sept. 22 in Central Hamilton. The cost is \$200 for the 10-week programme. To register or for more information, please call Frank at 905- 662-4076 or visit www.clchamilton.com

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