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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

WEDDINGS

Please contact us at least one year in advance.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM
or by appointment

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.

PRAYER BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS

8:00 AM in the Adoration Chapel
8:30 AM Rosary in the church

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

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 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


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

The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org
Vocations www.HamiltonVocations.com

Mass Intentions 

(† = Deceased Intention; Int. = Intentions of...;
Thx = Thanksgiving)

Monday, Sept. 25	Int. Mary Paikeday
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Thx Cindy Hettiarachchi
Wednesday, Sept 27	Int. Margaret LaFontaine
Thursday, Sept 28	Thx Margaret Braganza
Int. Lillian Ponikvar	Int. June Fenton
† Roberto Moniz	† David Broden
† Margaret Moffatt	
Friday, Sept 29	† Paul M. LaFontaine
Saturday, Sept 30	Int. Madeline Pinheiro
Int. Felicida Corpus	Int. Julian & Myra Gonsalves
† Greg Zetka	† Francis Doyle
† Stan & Margaret Wood	
Sunday, Oct 1, 9am	† Francis Onuska



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 begin in early September and end on the Feast of Pentecost. For more information, please contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

Please pray for:

Meghan Bennett	Ida Filice
Tom Olds	Lee Olds
George Thackray	Stephen Pustai

Names on this list will remain for a period of four weeks to allow space for other names. Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sept 17, 2023

Envelopes (132)	\$3,295
Loose	\$635

Thank you for your generous support

PARISH PICNIC: Thank you to all our volunteers who helped to make our parish picnic a wonderful success!



THIS WEEKEND: CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE FIRST GATHERING:

September 24, after the 11am mass. A warm welcome to all members, and any inquisitive women, to join us in the St. Francis room for our first gathering post summer. Join us and find out our plans for this year. Look forward to seeing you all soon. Any questions: call Leony at 289-795-1559 (evening please)

SCARS AND WHOLENESS - STORIES ON RECONCILIATION, FAITH, AND INDIGENOUS VOICES:

Online Event: Sep 28, at 7pm presented by the Jesuits of Canada. Amidst pain and enduring scars faced by Indigenous like herself, Sr. Priscilla Solomon was at a crossroads in her 30s. While rooted in her Catholic faith, she was drawn to her Ojibway heritage. This journey became a dance of two spiritualities, enriching each other, leading to a deeper sense of wholeness. Today, she advocates for Indigenous rights and healing. Fr. Peter Bisson's clerical attire at an event stirred traumatic memories for Indigenous attendees. Amidst the discomfort, he found grace. This marked a journey towards reconciliation and partnership. Tune in to: * Hear Sr. Solomon and Fr. Bisson's stories * Explore the depth of Indigenous spirituality * Reflect on our commitment to the Catholic faith amidst injustice * Learn ways to authentically support Indigenous communities * Engage in a live Q&A. To register, visit:

<https://jesuits.ca/event/reconciliation-webinar-bisson-solomon/>

MASS FOR ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL:

Please join us for a special evening mass on **Friday, September 29, at 6pm**, to celebrate the Feast of Our Patron Saint, St. Raphael the Archangel. We will gather for a potluck supper in the rectory after the mass.



RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1:

The history of Respect Life Sunday dates back to 1972, when the U.S. bishops started a respect life program in October, in anticipation of the Roe vs. Wade decision by the U.S. Supreme Court in January 1973. Halton Alive has supported parishes in observing the first weekend of October as Respect Life Weekend for over a decade to help Catholics understand and value the gift of human life and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it.

LIFE CHAIN: On Sunday, October 1, join thousands of pro-lifers across Canada and take a visual stand to end abortion. Life Chain is a public, prayerful, peaceful witness against legalized abortion. Organized by Campaign Life Coalition.

In Burlington, the Life Chain will be at Fairview St. and Maple Ave. from 2:30 – 3:30pm.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHTS: Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday October 7th** at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph), and on **Saturday, November 4th** at Saint Pius X Church (9 Waverly Street, Brantford). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



WORLD YOUTH DAY IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON: Did you know that 39 delegates from the Diocese traveled to the international celebration of World Youth Day in Portugal this past summer? You can review the photo and

video journals of the pilgrimage on social media: [@officeofyouthministry](https://www.instagram.com/officeofyouthministry) (Instagram) or “[Diocese of Hamilton Office of Youth Ministry](https://www.facebook.com/DioceseofHamiltonOfficeofYouthMinistry)” (Facebook). Testimonies written by participants can also be found here: <https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/>

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - When asked what



matters most to someone who is married, people often answer my wife/husband and children. It is important to see if your actions reflect that belief. Do you spend time together daily talking about your day and important matters? Do you plan a date night with your spouse (even if it is at home), so your children see the love you share? Do you do little tasks that need doing without being asked? Do you compliment your spouse and tell them you love them? What we do tells others what matters – be sure your spouse knows they do!

Season of Creation Prayer

Creator of All, by your Holy Wisdom you made Earth to bring forth a diversity of creatures who praise you in their being! You create us in relationship with creation so that we can listen and learn from their voices how to safeguard the conditions for life. So often, we close our ears to your Word calling to us through creation and the Scriptures. We lament and grieve the loss of species, their habitats and human cultures that have perished because of our unwillingness to listen. In this Season of Creation, call to us, with the sustaining fire of your Spirit. Teach us to contemplate your creation, and listen for the voice of each creature declaring your glory. Fill us with hope to quench the fires of injustice with your healing love. Enlighten us to follow Christ in walking lightly on this holy ground.

Adapted from the 2022 Season of Creation Celebration Guide

HELP SAVE LIVES IN HALTON! You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!



With God’s help, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:

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- Over **200 abortion** workers converted
- Over **100 abortion** centers closed

Vigil location: East of Oakville Trafalgar Hospital, at the Northwest corner of Proudfoot Trail and Dundas Street
Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily from Sept. 27 until Nov. 5.
Local contact: Steve 40daysforlifeoakville@gmail.com
<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/oakville>

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE extends their sincere gratitude to St. Raphael Parishioners for their contributions of cancelled stamps. By donating your stamps, you’re helping make a difference in the lives of our sisters and brothers in the Global South. Thank you sincerely. Please continue to save all cancelled stamps and we will begin collecting them again in Advent!

Cecilia Racine, Development and Peace Representative

St. Raphael, the Archangel – Model of Prayer

St. Raphael helps us to understand the importance of prayer in our personal life and in the family. He helps Tobit by restoring his eyesight.

He helps Tobias on his journey and helps Sarah to find the right person to marry. As we celebrate the life and legacy of our Patron, lets us deepen our prayer life. We encourage everyone to make use of our newly redecorated Adoration Chapel for personal prayer and meditation.

Monday to Friday

- 8:15 am: Liturgy of the Hours
- 8:30 am: Holy Rosary
- 9:00 am: Holy Mass.

Please contact the office for the code to open the adoration chapel from 9pm to 6:30am.

We have printed the Novena Prayers to the Intercession of St. Raphael, our patron, we will begin reciting the prayers for 9 days during the Masses from September 20 to September 29. The Feast Day Mass will be celebrated on Friday September 29, at 9 am and 6 pm. All are welcome to join and celebrate our Patron saint.



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