

ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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

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 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

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

Monday, September 4 at 9:00am
Ints. Henry Germann

Tuesday, September 5 at 9:00am
† Jerome Benozza

Wednesday, September 6 at 9:00am
† Michael Caslin

Thursday, September 7 at 9:00am
Ints. Margaret La Fontaine; † Rita Waters
† Thelma Gleeson; † Lawrence & Marie Pham Nguyen

Friday, September 8 at 9:00am
9:00am † Michael Caslin

Saturday, September 9 at 5pm
Ints. Meghan Bennett; Ints. Marla Fe & Jesse Fauni
Ints. Margaret Koritko; Ints. Catherine Benozza
† Kees Wentges; † Peter Delorme; † Emil Komac

Sunday September 10
9:00am † Roberto Moniz
11:00am For Our Parishioners

Please pray for:	Irene Krawchuk
Meghan Bennett	Wendy Bonenfant
Tom Olds	Lee Olds
Ida Filice	Stephen Pustai
<i>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.</i>	

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

August 20, 2023

Envelopes (126)	\$3,429
Loose	\$486

August 27, 2023

Envelopes (126)	\$3,319
Loose	\$528

Thank you for your generous support

ADORATION, PRAISE, WORSHIP AND MASS – Please join our parishioners in a church wide adoration and praise and worship at **6:30pm** on **Friday, September 1st**. All are welcome to spend time with the Lord.

PARISH PICNIC: All are invited to a welcome-back picnic lunch on **Sunday, September 17**, from **noon to 2pm** in **Strathcona Park**. Food will be provided but please be sure to bring your own lawn chair.



BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC:

Are you or is 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? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) may be 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.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION:

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting donations after all Masses next weekend. SSVP envelopes are available at back of the church for those who would like income tax receipts at the end of the year.

PRAYER FOR THE START OF A NEW SCHOOL YEAR:

Dear Lord, as we begin this new school year, we gather as a community of believers, a family of your children. We thank you for the renewal of the past months and our safe return to our schools. We thank you for the promise of the days ahead and for the blessing of your accompaniment. Be with our students, teachers and families this year. Open all of our hearts to become people with and for others. Help our students to be diligent, religious, loving and committed to doing justice. Keep them safe in body and spirit. And may they always find support, encouragement and love in their families, at their school and in this parish community. Amen

MASS FOR THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY: Please join us for a special evening mass on **Thursday, September 7, at 6pm**, to celebrate the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lady. We will gather for fellowship after the mass.

ROSARY MAKING SEMINAR: Thank you to all who attended the August Rosary making and refresher course. Our next rosary session will be on **Wednesday, September 13, at 6pm** in the **parish rectory**. All are welcome to attend. Please sign up in the parish welcome area after the weekend masses if you'd like to attend. All necessary supplies for making rosaries will be provided and there is no cost to attend. Pizza to follow at the end of the session.

MASS FOR OUR LADY OF SORROWS: Please join us for a special evening mass on **Thursday, September 14, at 6pm**, to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. We will gather for fellowship after the mass.

MASS FOR ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL: Please join us for a special evening mass on **Thursday, September 28, 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.

65th Anniversary Celebration of St. Raphael's Parish

This year we will be celebrating the 65th anniversary of our parish community as it was established in 1958. As we give thanks to God for the many blessings we have received in our community, we would like to request your suggestions on how we can make it memorable. Our initial idea is to make a grotto for Our Lady at the right-side entrance and a Sacred Heart of Jesus image at the left-side entrance (outside the adoration chapel). Secondly, we would like to update our Parish Membership database, so we will distribute a new Registration Form to all existing parishioners and encourage new members to register and engage in the ministries of our parish community.

If you have any other suggestions, please let us know by email or phone at the office.

Year of Ministry - 2023

St Raphael's parish has 40 ministries in which we reach out to others through our prayer, liturgy, sacramental preparations, stewardship administration, social and educational outreach and provide care and serve the poor. We encourage ministerial groups along with the leadership to focus on vision and mission, to come up with plans to encourage members to join and become effective in promoting the mission of the church.

We would like to direct our attention from Maintenance to Mission so we can help one another in promoting Gospel values and living an authentic Christian life. We ask all who are engaged in a ministry to complete Volunteer Screening and update the ministry information. Each ministry will elect one co-ordinator for the term of 3 years. The New Term will begin on the First Sunday of the Advent, the beginning of the New Liturgical year. We will appoint two Parish Coordinators who will look after the Liturgy and Pastoral Ministries.

WINDOWS ON THEOLOGY - HYBRID AND ONLINE COURSES AT REGIS COLLEGE:

Parishioners are invited to enroll in one or both of two online & hybrid continuous learning courses that Regis College is organizing for the fall. *Theology and the Arts* features a series of internationally recognized speakers and will explore the relationships among art, justice, theology and the sacred. *The Psalms* will delve into the mysteries, the challenges and the beauty of the Psalms as a source of prayer. No background is needed and no reading is required.

To register visit:

<https://regiscollege.ca/academics/windows-on-theology/>

THE SEASON OF CREATION

By Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon

The Season of Creation is a theological and liturgical time designated to celebrate our human relationship with all of creation. In 2015, Pope Francis made the Season of Creation an official time of prayer and celebration in the Roman Catholic Church.

[Theme of the Season of Creation for 2023](#)

The Season of Creation theme for 2023 is "Let Justice and Peace Flow," drawn from the cry of the prophet Amos: "But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!" (Amos 5: 24). We are called to join the river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and the loss of biodiversity.

[Read the message of the Holy Father Francis for the celebration of the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2023](#)

Take time to find the many online resources for prayer, liturgical suggestions, and short videos which outline simple actions we can all take to respond to the ecological cries of the earth and its people in our time. With Christians everywhere, let us respond to Amos and "let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!" (Amos 5: 24).

Video: Prepare for the Season of Creation 2023

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7PPyobDnGP4>

Season of Creation Celebration Guide:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/145WzDi32U8YdlyY9Peo1bn-aLqyi4cl6/view?pli=1>

Daily Reflections:

[Season of Creation – Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph \(csjoseph.org\)](#)

Worship Resources:

[Season of Creation 2023 | Catholic Climate Covenant](#)

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S AID OF HAMILTON has been helping children in the Hamilton Diocese of over 50 years and the needs continue to increase. **Youth** in our community **are facing homelessness, food insecurity and mental health issues.** You can make a difference today by helping to raise funds by placing a bid on their online auction & raffle. All the money raised will be poured back into support for our young people. There are a variety of items to choose from - something for everyone! Check it all out at this link and help the children in need in our community! Be sure to scroll to the bottom of our page and hear from some of our youth directly.

[Children First Raffle & Auction \(auctria.com\)](#)

or contact Roger Ali

Roger.ali@hamiltonccas.on.ca or 905-525-2012 ext. 3150.

Or support by attending the golf tournament on Sept. 12: [Attend or Support a Fundraising Event – Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton \(hccas.ca\).](#)

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