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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 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, 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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Mass Intentions

(† = Deceased Intention; No Marking = Intentions of...; Thx = Thanksgiving; Hlg = Healing)

Mon. Apr 28, 9am	† Cornelius O'Connell	
Tue. Apr. 29, 9am	† Gary Holland	
Wed Apr. 30, 9am	† Bill McCarthy	
Thu. May 1, 8pm	Frank & Anne Kosnick	
Lee Fiamelli	† Dion Alampi	
† William McCarthy	† Allison Kosnick	
† Margit Soltesz		
Fri. May 2, 9am	Gavin McDowell	
Fri. May 2, 6:30pm	† Tony Florio	
Sat May 3, 8pm	The Young Family	
Bruno Moras	Hlg. Tom & Bev Murray	
Hlg. Ester Chan	† Alma Cyla	
† Patricia French	† Godofredo Elegado Sr.	
† Allison Kosnick	† Ronald Theodore Gayowsky	
In reparation for the sins of abortion		
Sun. May 4, 9am	For Our Parishioners	
Sun. May 4, 11am	† Renaldo Delas Alas Guibao	

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Good Friday Collection

Envelopes (51)	\$2,441
Loose	\$784
Easter Collection	
Envelopes (302)	\$10,979
Loose	\$3,161
Pre-Authorized Giving – April (93)	\$9,201

Thank you for your generous support



FIRST COMMUNION: St. Raphael school and parish program students First Communion celebration will be this **Sunday, April 27** at **1pm.** St. Paul school and parish program students' First Communion celebration is on **Sunday, May 4** at

1pm. Please pray for all the children who will be receiving the Holy Eucharist for the first time.



CONFIRMATION: Our parish will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for our students on **Saturday, May 3,** at **9am** for St. Raphael School and at **11am** for St. Paul School students. We

ask for your prayers for these students as they are confirmed.

ST. RAPHAEL'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: MEETING MAY 6TH AT 7PM ST. FRANCIS ROOM (SPEAKER AND HAMILTON DIOCESAN CONVENTION UPDATES):



All Women welcome to come and listen to one of our members, Catherine Keith, on tips on vision loss and resources available from CNIB. General meeting to follow with light refreshments.

The 105th Hamilton Diocesan Convention runs from May 30 - June 1 at the Holiday Inn, Burlington. Members register for the convention at: www.cwlhamilton.ca by May 5. There is no cost for members to attend (except for meal costs).

Opening mass and ceremony on **May 30** at St. Raphael's church at 7pm with Bishop Crosby. Reception to follow in the church hall. For further information contact Leony, CWL President St. Raphael's, at 289-556-6916 during the (evenings & weekends)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DRAMATIZATION:

Orlando Tesolin, director of the Stations of the Cross Dramatization, would like to express his deep gratitude to all the following individuals, who gave of their talent and time to be part of the Prayer Prelude and Stations of the Cross dramatization on Good Friday evening.

ROLE	PERFORMER
JESUS	Scott Harrison
PONTIUS PILATE	Rick Giuliani
SIMON of SIRENE	Franco Marcantonio
MARY, the mother of God	Sylvia Castellano
MARY MAGDALENE	Christina Zago
VERONICA	Janka Belanska
CAIAPHUS	Victor Cordova
WOMEN of JERUSALEM	Beyonce Eze
	Alicia Eze
	Marie DeBoer
CENTURIONS	Dominic Bulai
	Michael Cormack
CHILDREN of JERUSALEM	Nora Sankey
	Dior Eze
NARRATOR	Genny Dowson
VOICE of MAN	Rennie Milne
VOICE of WOMAN	Patti McConnell
CANTOR	Geraldine Tesolin
AUDIO VISUAL	Pat O'Hara
On bobolf of all the participants	it is our sincere hope

On behalf of all the participants, it is our sincere hope that our Good Friday presentation, in some small way, personified the passion and suffering that our Lord Jesus Christ sacrificed for our redemption and was a welcome addition to your paschal celebrations.

JUBILEE OF HOPE APRIL 27, 2025

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - SACRED HEART ICON



The Knights of Columbus have the privilege to receive the Pilgrim Icon of Sacred of Heart Jesus from May 11 - 17. The Icon will be venerated on **Tuesday**, **May 13**, here at St. Raphael's parish.

We will begin the liturgy at 6 pm with a Solemn procession around the church boundary while reciting the Holy Rosary, followed by the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Eucharist honouring the Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima. Refreshments will follow in the parish hall. For more information, please contact Rennie Milne:

wmilne3473@sympatico.ca

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE: We

would like to renew our Hospitality Committee in this Jubliee Year of Pilgrims of Hope. Any parishioners who would like to join this Welcoming Ministry please contact the office.



Members of the committee welcome all parishioners, new and long-time parishioners, and assist with the liturgical celebration as ushers and during the offertory collection. Thank you for your support in welcoming all parishioners in our Parish Community.

FIRST SATURDAYS MASS WITH YOUTH GROUP (TEENAGERS 12 – 19): We thank the youth group taking leadership in active participation of the Mass on First Saturdays of the Month. They lead the Rosary at 4:30pm and participate in the liturgy as Lectors, Choir, Ushers. After the Mass they join in the Faith formation and youth activities. We encourage all the youth to register for the Youth Group.



HVAC – **RENOVATION FUND:** This year we are planning for the major renovation of the Heating Ventilation and Cooling system (HVAC). The current HVAC system is over 32 years old much in need of replacement.

The members of the building committee are in discussion and consultation for a suitable system that will help to address our need for heat and air-conditioning of our church building. We have estimated that the total cost is over \$350,000.00. Thank you to those who have supported us with your donation. We still need to raise \$90,000.00 to meet our goal. We request your support for this project. Along with the renewed request for the Building Fund envelopes, please consider making a legacy donation towards Parish Building Funds. For each contribution of over \$1000.00, a Legacy plate will be placed as a way for the parish to show gratitude for your support. We will keep the parish informed on the progress on the HVAC project.

NEW PARISH MINISTRY DIRECTORY 2025: As the

part of the jubilee year of 2025, we have been working on the Parish Ministry Directory to help us to organize and support 40 different ministries. We request all



the ministry co-ordinators to help us by sending your information about your ministry proposals and planning so we can promote and support your efforts. Please do send us the feedback from your members on how we can support your ministry.

WALK FOR LIFE: Join Halton Alive on Saturday, May

31 for the annual Walk for Life—a 5k walk to honour the 100,000 unborn lives lost to abortion each year and support life-affirming outreach in our community. Enjoy a family-friendly



morning filled with purpose, connection, and a delicious BBQ to follow! The walk begins at 9:30am at Burlington Christian Fellowship (2054 Mountainside Dr.). Can't attend in person? Walk in your own neighbourhood with friends! Register for free at www.haltonalive.ca/w41 and start fundraising. Every step makes a difference!

SUMMER BIBLE CAMP: The Summer Bible Camp at St. Raphael Parish is back again in July 2025. It is for children who will be entering kindergarten in September 2025 up to children entering Grade 6. The camp runs from July 7 to July 11, from 9:30am – 12:30pm. Any students entering Grade 8 and up in September 2025 who would like to volunteer at the camp are also asked to register. Pick up the registration forms in the church lobby or download it from our website: https://straphaels.ca/summer-bible-camp/www.straphaels.ca
Bring completed forms and your payment (cash or cheque made out to St. Raphael Parish) to the parish office.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH Life is busy, sometimes so busy that we forget to make time every day to connect with our spouse. Demands on our time can make it seem impossible, but it is necessary to help love thrive. We must make a choice to put our couple relationship into our agendas. Spend time at the beginning or end of each day to touch base on what is going on in our lives, pray together each day, book date nights (at home and/or out of the home), enjoy a coffee together, take a walk, just the two of you. Relationships of any kind need both quality and quantity time; make sure you have both to keep your marriage strong. (Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250).



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