

ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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

Served by the Holy Cross Fathers



Fr. Wilson Andrade C.S.C. - Pastor



Fr. Emmanuel Ralte C.S.C. - Associate Pastor

SPES UNICA

Catherine Osborne - Office Administrator

Ms. Maureen Lawlor - Office Assistant

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

Mon - Fri 9:00 AM

WEDDINGS

Please contact us at least one year in advance.

CONFESIONS

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.

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

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

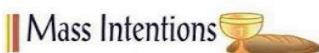
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Mass Intentions

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

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| Mon. Jan 26, 9am | † Jose Joaquin Ortiz |
| Tue. Jan 27, 9am | † Antonio Pepe |
| Wed Jan 28, 9am | Ivy Vernem |
| Thu. Jan 29, 9am | Fr. Emmanuel Ralte |
| Vi Harrison | Hlg. Joey Godin |
| Hlg. Flor Hume | † Ed Castellano |
| † Souls in Purgatory | |
| Thu. Jan 29, 10am | St. Raphael School Mass |
| Fri. Jan 30, 9am | † Charlie Kirk |
| Sat Jan 31, 5pm | Pat Weber |
| † Dianne Patterson | † Alton & Marlene |
| † Josephine Svonkin | † Emmett, Edna & Peggy |
| † Souls in Purgatory | |
| Sun. Feb 1, 9am | † Neil McNeill |
| Sun. Feb 1, 11am | For Our Parishioners |

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS
January 18, 2026

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| Envelopes (148) | \$3,955 |
| Loose | \$1,065 |

Thank you for your generous support


PARISH BREAKFAST: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a breakfast of eggs, bacon, sausages, hash browns, pork beans, pancakes and toast in our parish hall on **Sunday, February 1st**, following the **9am** and **11am** masses. Please give a generous donation at the door to help support the Knights of Columbus charitable projects! Don't forget to register using the sign-up sheet in the parish lobby.

ST. RAPHAEL PARISH RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP: St. Raphael Church operates a small shop selling religious items just off the main lobby of the church. Parishioners and visitors are welcome in the store after each weekend mass and during the week after daily mass. Among the items for sale are rosaries, bibles, books, crucifixes, children's books, religious themed colouring books, bible scene puzzles, first communion gifts and gifts for confirmation. New inventory has just arrived. Please note, **cash payments only**.

FR. WILSON AWAY: Fr. Wilson will be away on holidays in his home from Jan. 26th to Feb. 16th. During this time, Fr. Emmanuel will look after the Pastoral needs of the parish

YOUNG ADULT VALENTINE'S PARTY: CELEBRATING LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP! All young adults of our parish are invited to join the Young Adult Valentine's Party on **Saturday, February 14th at 6:30pm** in the parish hall. A fun social night for those aged 19-45 with dance lessons, DJ, games, snacks and cash bar. Stay tuned for more info and tickets!

THURSDAY MORNING LADIES' FRIENDSHIP CLUB: All ladies are welcome to join us in the St. Francis



room, any Thursday after mass until 12 noon. We offer friendship, refreshments and companionship. Bring your stories, pictures and friends. Sponsored by St. Raphael's Catholic Women's League.

2025 TAX RECEIPTS: Please pick up your 2025 tax receipt in the parish welcoming area by the elevator, sorted alphabetically by last name. ***Please double check your name and address to ensure you are taking the correct envelope.***

THE WORD OF GOD SUNDAY: 25th JANUARY 2026

BIBLE PROJECT: Pope Francis established the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time as the Sunday of the Word of God to recall the Second Vatican Council's rediscovery of the Sacred Scripture for the life of the Church. The Theme for this Year of 2026 is "The word of Christ dwells among you" (Col 3:16).

We would like to invite you and encourage you to take up the challenge to **Read the Bible in 120 days**. It takes about 72 hours to read the entire Bible. We have a developed a program to read the Bible in 120 Days. You need to dedicate **30 minutes a day** or 4 hours a week. A form is available in the parish office. If you complete the Program, we will present you with an **official Certificate**.

PRAAYER FOR WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

*Blessed are you, Lord God,
creator of heaven and earth,
for your Word made flesh: Jesus Christ.*

*We praise and thank you
for your Word recorded in the Bible
and faithfully proclaimed
in the assembly of your holy people.
May our hearts and minds be always open
to welcome your life-giving Word.
May your Word nourish our faith,
enliven our hope, and strengthen us
in the bond of love.*

*May we carry your word with us each day
as we seek to serve you in our brothers and sisters.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

R.C.I.A. INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE: Are you or is someone you know interested in exploring the Catholic Church as your church home? Have you been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what you must do to become Catholic? Statistics show that most people respond to a personal invitation. So, this is that personal invitation and a challenge to all of you who might know someone who fits the categories above to consider joining the RCIA journey. Call the Parish Office to find out more!

SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Boxed sets of 2026 Offertory Envelopes are now available for pick up in the church entrance area close to the elevator.



ASH WEDNESDAY: On **February 18th**, Ash Wednesday, we will have Mass and Distribution of Ashes at **9am, 12 noon and 7pm**. All are welcome. *Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.*

ST. RAPHAEL PARISH A HOME OF PRAYER St. Raphael's Church is blessed to have a Perpetual **Adoration Chapel** for prayer and reflection. We encourage everyone to use the chapel for prayer, adoration and reflection. Daily prayer begins at 8:15am with the Liturgy of the Hours followed by the rosary in the church at 8:30am. The door to enter the Adoration Chapel unlocks at 6:30am and locks at 9:00pm. If you would like to access the chapel after hours, please contact the parish office to register.

HVAC RENOVATION FUND: Thank you to all those who donated to our HVAC project. It's not too late to donate. You can give using the monthly **Building Collection Envelopes** in your donation envelope box, the special envelopes available in the parish lobby, or online through Canada Helps, all donations received will go into the HVAC fund: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/119110450RR0119-st-raphaels-parish/>



SHARE LENT WORKSHOP (ONLINE), FEBRUARY 5th: Join us! This workshop will give you the opportunity to discover our **Share Lent** campaign, [On Track for Justice](#). You will explore the work of our Brazilian partner *Justiça nos Trilhos* (Justice on the Rails) and deepen your understanding of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, its mission, and its actions.

When: **Thursday, February 5th, from 7 - 8:30pm**

Where: Online via Zoom. [register for workshop](#).

Information: Please contact our reginal animator Daniela Salcedo at Daniela.Salcedo@devp.org

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

PARENTING TIP: Parents constantly undertake the task of correcting poor behaviour in their children. To help them grow to be good and capable adults, it is important they learn proper behaviours, etiquette and good manners; parents are the first and foremost educators of all of these. Instead of reprimanding when undesired behaviours arise, ask them how they should be acting, or what would be a better way to act? Take a moment to remind them that their Baptism calls them to follow a better way, undertaking the same actions that Jesus would, ways of caring, love and compassion. Relating their behaviours to their faith provides a guidepost for actions throughout their lives and a way to live fully their Baptism. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM: This program provides the opportunity to increase awareness of yourself and to learn specific skills for building a positive self-esteem. It can help you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will run **Tuesdays from Feb. 17 – April 21** from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com

ReSTART: Moving Forward – Have you experienced a divorce or separation? Are you looking to learn ways to cope, for support from others and to gain a feeling of moving forward? Our 10-week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal or simply learn more. The sessions will run Tuesdays from Feb. 17 – April 21, 2026 from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com



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