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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

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See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

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

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Mon. Mar 3, 9am	Lily Kelner
Tue. Mar 4, 9am	† Tony Florio
Wed. Mar. 5, 9am	Maria Corazon Legaspi
Wed. Mar. 5, 10am	St. Raphael School Mass
Wed. Mar. 5, noon	† Margaret Moffat
Wed. Mar. 5, 7pm	Maria Corazon Legaspi
Thu. Mar 6, 9am	Susan McDowell
Cathy Bercik	† Audrey Quinn
† Warren Chenery	† David Crittenden
† Gary Holland	
Fri Mar 7, 9am	Audrey Weiss
Fri Mar 7, 6:30pm	† Dr. Tom O'Connor
Sat Mar 8, 5pm	Sloane Cox & Mark Munshaw
Dave Pinheiro	Nelson Pinheiro
Lizzie Pletch	Isabel Hartmann
John Malcolm	† Souls in Purgatory
Sun. Mar 9, 9am	† Joao & Maria De Encarnação de Furtado
Sun. Mar 9, 11am	For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

February 23, 2025

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Thank you for your generous support

Please pray for:

Vincent Stanford Rafael Tudares

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.

RENOVATION FUND COLLECTION: We would like to encourage everyone to support our Renovation Funds, please use the HVAC or the monthly Building fund envelopes.



ST. RAPHAEL ANNUAL CHILLI CHALLENGE: We would like to thank everyone in our parish who came to our annual Chilli Challenge, thank you to the organizers,

the many volunteers, our musicians, and of course a huge thank you to our incredible chilli chefs of 2025!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING: St. Raphael's Catholic Women League Meeting Tuesday, March 4, at 7pm. Our meetings are now being held the first Tuesday of the month in the parish center. Come join us on



March 4th as we continue on our Journey of Hope and learn about Inspire Hope, Jubilee and lent projects. Keep Saturday March 15th open for our Spring Hamilton Diocese Convention for CWL hosted by our parish.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE LENTEN ALMS:

During this Lent we are encouraged to pray, fast and give alms. St. Raphael's Catholic Women's League are asking parishioners to contribute to a collection of food for Dr. Simone's charity Canadian Food for Children. Mother Teresa gave this organization their mission of helping the poorest of the poor in the world. Please consider donating peanut butter, canned fish and pasta sauce and drop in the box in the lobby next to the St. Anthony statue. Thank you for helping the poor this Lent.

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025 will be held on Friday, March 7 at 1:00 pm. This ecumenical prayer service will be held at the Grace United Church, 2111 Walkers Line (north of upper middle road), Burlington. The service was written by the women of the Cook Islands in the Pacific Ocean - theme "I Made You Wonderful" Psalm 139: 1-18. For almost a century, the World Day of Prayer movement has been led by women in 150 countries. All men and women are welcome. For more information, please call Helen at 905-320-8760.

JESUS THE GAME CHANGER: Season One: Wednesday Parish Hall from 7:00 to 8:30pm, February 19th to March 19th (5 Sessions, 2 Topics per session): Our sessions consist of two short video presentations led by Theology and Religious Scholars sharing their insights on how the teachings of Jesus so profoundly impacted human history and our Christian values. The video potion will be followed by small group discussions. All sessions are held on Wednesday evening starting at 7:00pm and running for 90 minutes

Wednesday March 5: **Ash Wednesday (no session)** Wednesday March 12: **Democracy and Care**

Wednesday March 19: Leadership and Education and Health

Wednesday March 26th: Wealth and Reason and Science

JOYFUL EXPLORERS: We are creating a youth group for children grade 2-7 and we need adult volunteers. Also, if you are in high school and would like volunteer hours. If you are interested, please email: fiona martin1@hotmail.com

JUBILEE OF HOPE MARCH 2, 2025

ASH WEDNESDAY: On **March 5**th, Ash Wednesday, we will have the following Masses with the Distribution of Ashes:

9am at St. Raphael's Church

10:00am at Church with St. Raphael's School

12 noon at St. Raphael's Church

1pm at St. Paul's School

7pm at St. Raphael's Church

All are welcome. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Friday evening during lent at **6:30pm** we will have the Stations of the Cross conducted by different ministries of our parish followed by Mass.

BIBLE PROJECT – 2025: "Ignorance of the Scripture

is Ignorance of Christ" - St. Jerome.

We have developed Bible Project materials where you can read the whole Bible in 120 days. There are information sheets available at the church entrance. Please make use of



them for your personal reading and recording of the books in the Bible you have read. Those who complete the Reading of the Bible will receive a Certificate. You can also bring your Bible for a blessing as you begin to read the Bible. If you wish to join a group to read the bible with others please Contact Fr. Wilson for more information.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE T-SHIRTS - YOUTH GROUP



(TEENAGERS 12 – 19): The youth group have created "Pilgrims of Hope" T-shirts, with beautiful original artwork for the Jubilee Year, available for purchase after the weekend masses. We encourage all the youth to register for the Youth Group.

TRIP TO PERU; MACHU PICCHU & LAKE TITICACA: Father Wilson will be leading a cultural discovery trip to Peru from September 14 – 23, 2025. SPACE IS LIMITED, please book soon. The activity level for this trip is a level 4 which means participants should be leading active lifestyles with walking, biking, and half- or full-day hikes, with 10,000 steps a day or more being a normal day. Please find all the details in the brochure in the parish lobby. For more information, please contact Michelle Matthews, 905-510-8853, mimatthews@expediacruises.com



BOOMERANG CARDS: There will be no Boomerang Cards on **Monday, March 3**, as the parish hall is in use for a funeral reception.

Lent & Holy Week Schedule

FRIDAY EVENINGS 6 30pm - Stations of the Cross 7pm – Mass

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, April 12, Mass at 5pm Sunday April 13, Mass at 9am and 11am

> HOLY THURSDAY – April 17 6pm – Soup Supper 8pm – Mass

GOOD FRIDAY – April 18 12 noon – Solemn Liturgy of the Word 3pm – Solemn Liturgy of the Word 8pm – Stations of the Cross Dramatization

> HOLY SATURDAY – April 19 11am – Blessing of the Food 8pm – Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY – April 20 Masses at 8:30am, 10am & 12 noon

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WORKSHOPS: The Offices of Evangelization and Catechesis and Youth Ministry invite all parish ministers, and youth ministry leaders to join for the annual Vacation Bible School workshop in preparation for another wonderful summer of children's ministry. Join us on April 9, at 7:30pm as we connect with one another, share new ideas and get a peek at new resources available this year. To register please visit: https://bit.ly/4hOPOBc

VBS TRAINING FOR YOUTH LEADERS: Many of our parishes are blessed to have teens and young adults involved in the preparation and leadership of Vacation Bible School experiences. The Office for Youth Ministry and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis warmly welcome all youth leaders to a day of formation and training on Saturday, May 3. For more information please email: youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com

LITURGICAL MINISTERS OF HOPE: During Lent this year, the Liturgy Office invites all Liturgical Ministers to gather for a Lenten retreat on the theme of Liturgical Ministers of Hope. Saturday, March 22, at Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, 10am. to 12:30pm or Saturday, March 29, at St. Matthew Parish, Oakville, 10am to 12:30pm or Saturday, April 5, at Annunciation of our Lord Parish, Hamilton, 10am to 12:30pm. To register visit: https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2025/02/liturgical-ministers-of-hope-retreat-three-dates/



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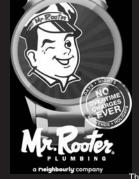
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