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SPES UNICA

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
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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
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Mass Intentions 

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

Mon Mar 23, 9am	† Anthony Caputo
Tue Mar 24, 9am	† Joseph Lawlor
Wed Mar 25, 9am	† Sheila Correa
Thu Mar 26, 9am	Bernaditas Suppleo
† Marie Harris	† Sena Amarasena
† Luis Zapata	† Joseph Freiburger
† Souls in Purgatory	
Fri Mar 27, 9am	Hlg. Elisha & Jeevan De Silva
Fri Mar 27, 6:30pm	Hlg. Christine Belch
Sat Mar 28, 5pm	Mary Gladwish
† Jacques Bétiue	† Frank & Joseph Gladwish
† Maria De Encarnacao Rodrigues & Joao Furtado	
† Stefania Myf	† Souls in Purgatory
Sun Mar 29, 9am	† Francis Onuska
Sun Mar 29, 11am	For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

March 15, 2026

Envelopes (140)	\$3,429
Loose	\$826
Holy Cross Formation Collection (42)	\$1,220

Thank you for your generous support

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.



Mar 27 Home Eucharistic Ministers and Knights of Columbus

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL BOOK SALE: SSVP is

hosting a book sale on April 18th and 19th. We would appreciate donations of any gently used fiction, non-fiction, and children's books. Please drop your books off in the white box in the foyer of the church. Mark the dates on your calendar to get your books for your summer reading.

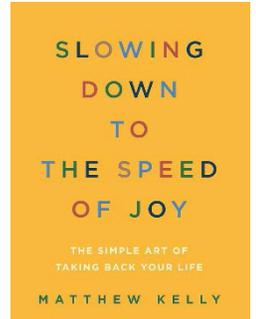


SOUP SUPPER: We will be having a soup supper before Mass on Holy **Thursday, April 2nd at 6:00pm in the parish centre.** If you would like to provide a soup for this supper, please add your name to the sign up sheet in the parish lobby.



ST RAPHAEL PARISH BOOK CLUB - SLOWING DOWN TO THE SPEED OF JOY:

Beginning the evening of **April 8th at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall**, our St. Raphael Parish Book Club will begin our third book. Those joining will pick-up/receive a copy of *Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy* and the weekly reading list. The club format will be 5 weekly 90 minute sessions. The expectation is that you will read ahead the material that will be discussed. Yes, back to homework.



Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy is a deeply personal book. By revealing his own vulnerabilities, Matthew Kelly provides us with the practical insights and timeless wisdom necessary to banish busy and urgent from our own lives. The faster you go the more likely you are to crash. Are you feeling anxious, overwhelmed, discouraged, exhausted, stressed, inadequate and resentful from time to time? The speed and busyness of our lives stand in direct opposition to what we say matters most. It's time for a new strategy. It's time to embrace the speed of joy.

- Week 1 - THE JAR OF LIFE Pick up your book and the group explores the Prologue
- Week 2 - Beyond the Joyless Urgency (Pages 1-25)
- Week 3 - Human Flourishing (Pages 27-64)
- Week 4 - The One Thing Pages (65-101)
- Week 5 - The Secret of Life Pages (103-149)

THIS LENT, PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY – SOLIDARITY SUNDAY:

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's *On Track for Justice* campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity.



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“Our longstanding partnership with Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is very important to us. It allows us to promote economic alternatives to mining and industrial agriculture, thereby strengthening local economies and agroecology. Your contributions help change the reality of communities here and make a difference for many other organizations around the world.” — Mikael Carvalho, Coordinator, Justiça nos Trilhos, Brazil Help create hope for and fulfil the dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or online at devp.org/give. **Thank you for your solidarity!**

St. Raphael Parish Holy Week Schedule

Parish Reconciliation – *Tuesday, March 31*
10:00am – 12 noon and 5:00 – 7:00pm

Tenebrae – *Wednesday, April 1*
7:00pm – Psalm and candle service

Holy Thursday - *Thursday April 2*
5:30pm – Soup Supper
8:00pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday - *Friday April 3*
12 noon – Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
3:00 pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
8:00 pm - Stations of the Cross Dramatization

Holy Saturday - *Saturday April 4*
11:00 am – Blessing of Food Basket
8:00 pm - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday Mass - *Sunday April 5*
9:00am, 11:00am

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Children's Liturgy is offered Sunday at 11am. We are seeking leaders and student volunteers to help on one Sunday per month. If you would like to volunteer with this ministry, please call the parish office.

PILGRIMAGE TO MONTREAL AND QUEBEC: Join Father Wilson on a 4-day pilgrimage from **July 24 – 27**, for the 150th Anniversary celebration of the Feast of St. Anne de Beaupre. Father Wilson will con-celebrate the Sunday Mass celebration. Stops include St. Joseph's Oratory, Mary Queen of Peace, Cap-de-la-Madeleine. Price ranges from \$695 - \$985 (based on occupancy) and includes coach travel from St. Raphael Church, 3 nights' accommodation, 3 breakfasts and 1 dinner. For more information, please contact Lin T. at International Tours 416-837-9306.

Please pray for:

Nicola Izzi

If you would like a loved one prayed for by the parish please call the Parish Office by Tuesday morning.

LIFE TALKS CONFERENCE: Register now! Life Talks is an annual event hosted by your local pro-life organization, Halton Alive. This year we'll be tackling issues such as IVF, and euthanasia for mental illness. **Saturday, March 28.** Visit www.haltonalive.ca/lifetalks to register and learn about the speakers and topics.



MIRACLE OF THE SUN IN FATIMA: PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN PORTUGAL: Join Father Wilson from **Oct 02 - 14, 2026**, for a 13-day pilgrimage from the Notre Dame Cathedral, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Chapel, St. Vincent De Paul Church, Basilicas in Lourdes, Zaragoza, Madrid, Avila, Burgos, Santiago De Compostela, and Fatima. Price: **\$5,340 per person**. For more information, please contact Lin T. at International Tours 416-837-9306 or at <https://www.ih Tours.com/tour/pilgrimage-to-france-spain-portugal-11/>

HELP NOT HARM: TAKE ACTION TO SUPPORT BILL C-218: Write your Member of Parliament Today! You're invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act), which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.

Chances are you know someone struggling with mental illness — a family member, friend, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

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, religious gifts, first communion gifts and gifts for confirmation. New inventory has just arrived. Please note, at present: **cash payments only.**

LENTEN FILM SCREENING: Triumph of the Heart: The Passion of St. Maximilian Kolbe - Register now for a special Lenten screening of the acclaimed film TRIUMPH OF THE HEART - THE PASSION OF ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE on **Wednesday, March 25** at Ancaster Memorial Arts Centre, Peller Hall (Theatre). Advance tickets only. Triumph of the Heart is a feature film about St. Maximilian Kolbe and his companions' triumph over the darkness of Auschwitz. Suggested PG13. Tickets \$16.95 and all proceeds go to "Restoring the Beauty of St. Ann" Ancaster Campaign. Visit dunnmedia.ca/triumph to register. Limited number of complimentary tickets for clergy and students. More about the movie at triumphoftheheart.com. For any other inquiries, please contact us at production.dunnmedia@gmail.com.

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