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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

Fr. John Voytek, OFM Conv. - Administrator
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OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Tues & Thurs	6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
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, Wed-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, once a month on
Saturday at 11:00 AM
- 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
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Please visit these websites: The Franciscans www.OLAprvince.org
Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.Franciscans.org

PALM SUNDAY

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 30

9:00 a.m. Darryll Malley, Spec. Int.

Wednesday, April 1

9:00 a.m. Catherine Woodall +

Holy Thursday, April 2

No Morning Mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:30 p.m. Susan O'Connor +
Giovanni Rogano +
Irene Lulich +
Jeanne Reed-Lewis +

Good Friday, April 3

Today is a day of fast & abstinence

3:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's
Passion

Holy Saturday, April 4

11:00 a.m. Blessing of Easter Foods

8:00 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 5

9:00 a.m. Easter Mass

11:00 a.m. Easter Mass

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon., Mar. 30	Rev. John Van Hees
Tues., Mar. 31	Rev. Msgr. Roger Formosi
Wed., Apr. 1	Our Parish Community
Thurs., Apr. 2	Rev. Peter Coughlin
Fri., Apr. 3	Rev. Mervin Perera
Sat., Apr. 4	Rev. Msgr. Harvey Roach

Please pray for the following:

Maureen Fisher	Isabelle Wild
Helen Plouffe	Maureen Childerhose
Richard Rottich	Martin Dawson
Doug Ciceri	Mary Berry
Sarah Scharer	John Scharer
Isabella Poechman	



If you would like a loved one prayed for by the parish and included in the weekend Prayers of the Faithful, please call the Parish Office by Wednesday morning.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday, March 22 nd	\$ 6,223.55
Share Lent	\$ 7,534.29

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

EASTER BULLETIN: Please note that all submissions for the Easter bulletin (April 4/5) must be received by Monday, March 30th at 1 p.m. Thank you.



MASS OF CHRISM: Every year, on the Monday of Holy Week, the Diocese of Hamilton celebrates the Mass of Chrism. At this Mass, the Holy Oils used in the administration of the Sacraments are blessed and consecrated and distributed to all parishes in the Diocese of Hamilton. Only a Bishop can consecrate

Chrism, a pure olive oil infused with a rich fragrance. Two other sacrament oils, the unscented olive oil for Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick will be blessed in the same Liturgy and taken home to every parish in the Diocese. On this day all priests celebrate the gift of priesthood and the Eucharist first instituted at the Last Supper. This year Bishop Crosby will celebrate the **Mass of Chrism on Monday, March 30th** at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE: There will be a Reconciliation Service on **Tuesday, March 31st** from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. Our neighbor priests will be here to assist with confessions.



FLOWERS FOR EASTER: The Decoration Committee asks you to consider bringing in flowers for the Easter season. We would appreciate a variety of flowers (theme for the year is yellow and white), and that would last well into the Easter season, which is six weeks

long. If you would like to remember a loved one, feel free to include a small card with their name on it. Please bring flowers to the back of the church **starting Wednesday, April 1st** to Friday, April 3rd, no later than 6:00 p.m. Thank you.



DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE wishes to thank all those who made a gift to the Share Lent campaign on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, Solidarity Sunday. Thank you! Through your generosity a total of **\$7,534.29** was collected to date at St. Raphael's Parish. Wow! This will serve the needs of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE LENTEN PROJECT

This is the last week-end to drop off your donations of gently used shoes (adult & children), new socks, and lined three-holed paper in the designated area opposite the St. Anthony Room. These items will be given to **Canadian Food for Children**. Thank you for your generosity.



ST. RAPHAEL'S PARISH DAY 2015:

"Power, Purpose, Passion and Family: Living the Healthiest, Happiest and Most Abundant Spiritual Life!". Join your fellow parishioners on

Saturday, April 18th from 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Keynote speaker is *Mr. Anthony Cheam*. Cost is \$10. Registration continues after all Masses on March 28/29. Questions? Contact Ingrid at 905-681-7293 / ingrid.mayr@icloud.com



WELCOMED INTO THE PARISH THROUGH BAPTISM

Hudson Alexander MacMillan
Mila Oliveira
Nicolas Richard Poirier

Good Friday Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on **Good Friday April 3, 2015**. As we respond to this appeal, the visit of Pope Francis in the Holy Land from May 24 to 26, 2014 vividly comes to mind and we revisit the words of Scripture that marked his prayer at the Holy Sepulchre: "I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as He said. Come; see the place where the Lord lay." (Matthew 28: 5-6) The Pontifical Collection of Good Friday is a unique moment of loyalty to the Resurrection of the Christ Jesus and of solidarity with the Christians who are the "living stones" of those consecrated places. We are invited to this gesture of commemoration and unity for the benefit of the Holy Places and Christians so as to give a tangible form to the remembrance of the Christ Jesus and the constant support of our present day brothers and sisters!

*With gratitude,
Gilles Bourdeau, OFM
Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada*

WE NEED HELP TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY by bringing communion. What a beautiful, helpful and rewarding ministry! We need help in bringing communion to people who are homebound or in long term care or in the hospital. If you have a hour or so per month to give, please call for information. We will help in every way we can... questions, training, etc. Please inquire. Call Wilma 905 633 7639

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rosary Cenacle Prayer Group

Every Monday, 9:40 a.m., St. Anthony Rm.

Faith Sharing Group

Every Monday, 9:30 a.m., St. Francis Rm.

Bridge and Euchre Session

Every Monday, 1:00 p.m., Parish Centre

R.C.I.A. Meeting

Every Monday, 7:00 p.m., Hearth Rm.

S.E.N.T. Group

Every Tuesday, 2:45 p.m., St. Francis Rm.

Men's Group

Every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Hearth Rm.

Ladies Coffee Morning – All Ladies Welcome!

Wednesday, April 1, 9:30 a.m., St. Francis Room

9AM Sunday Mass Choir Rehearsal

Every Wednesday, 9:45 a.m., Church

11 o'clock Mass Choir Rehearsal

Every Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Church

Precious Blood of Jesus Prayer Group

Every Thursday, 9:30 a.m., St. Anthony Rm.

Spanish Prayer Group

Every Friday, 6:30 p.m., St. Francis Rm.

MOVIE NIGHT: Thank you to our parish family for all the help at our potluck and movie night. We shared a wonderful meal and saw a beautiful movie. Our **next movie and potluck night will be on April 25th** at 6:15 p.m. Stay tuned for more information closer to the date. Don't forget - B.Y.O.B and bring a family member or friend. Any questions please contact Renata @ 905 637 2457 or galwayrenata@gmail.com.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: A reminder that the parish office will be closed on **Friday, April 3rd** and **Monday, April 6th**.

If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin via e-mail, please send your request to st.raphaelbulletin@sympatico.ca



LOST AND FOUND: Please check the box across from the St. Anthony Room as well as the "community" bulletin board for lost items including **eye glasses, gloves and rosaries!**

AROUND THE DIOCESE

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Join the worldwide prayer vigil for an end to abortion and for the healing of those affected by it. Save Lives! Join the Vigil outside Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital (327 Reynolds St) **FEB. 18 - MARCH 29**.

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives Me." Matthew 18:5. Please visit:

www.40daysforlife.com/Oakville

FRANCIS' VISION OF THE CHURCH: A Senior Adult Workshop Series - 3 Wednesday afternoons, **April 22, 29 & May 6th**, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. at Notre Dame Convent in Waterdown. Through this presentation of Francis' Vision of the Church, you will better understand the work of our Holy Father. What has shaped and formed Francis' vision for the Church. What is the effect of Francis' unique and radical leadership having on the Church today. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 to register.

TRIVIA NIGHT: Assumption Catholic Secondary School will be hosting its 11th ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT on **Saturday April 11th** from 7-10pm. All funds go to local charities. Register your team of 6 – 8 players. Cost is \$15 per player. There is no pressure on any individual to answer questions since you submit answers as a team. Please contact: Tina Di Clemente (Assumption teacher): diclementec@hcdsb.org or 905 634 1835 Ext. 2022.



TIME FOR TWO: GROWING IN LOVE:

Rediscover the best friend you have had since you were married! This may be the most valuable two days you will spend together as a couple – enrich your love and knowledge of each other!! The Marriage Encounter/Enrichment weekend will be held on **April 11/12** at the St. Ignatius Retreat Centre in Deemerton, Ontario. Contact the Family Ministry Office: familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. Information and registration: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

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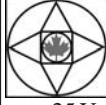
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