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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
	<i>closed on Statutory Holidays</i>	

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.

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.

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

- Assumption High School
905.634.1835
- St. Raphael's Elementary
905.637.3810
- St. Paul's Elementary
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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

Mass Intentions

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

Mon. Mar 31, 9am	Helen Chong Ping
Tue. Apr. 1, 9am	Thx. Harm & Myrla Dewyk
Wed. Apr. 2, 9am	† Francisca Rodrigues
Thu. Apr. 3, 9am	† Tony Florio
† Emeteria Felisco	† William McCarthy
† Joe Fiamelli	† Christine Partridge
† Warren Chenery	† Michael Mitton
Fri. Apr. 4, 9am	Robert Megaffin
Fri. Apr. 4, 6:30pm	† David Coules, † Joe Fiamelli
Sat Apr. 5, 5pm	† Nelson K.M.
† Yvonne Sterling	† Angelo Rotondi
† William McCarthy	† Joseph Fiamelli
† Souls in Purgatory	† Megan Byrne
† Margarida Janeiro & Jose Rodrigues	
Sun. Apr. 6, 9am	† Jose & Margarida Rodrigues
Sun. Apr. 6, 11am	For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

March 23, 2025

Envelopes (156)	\$3,370
Loose	\$623
Holy Cross Formation (60)	\$1,332

Thank you for your generous support

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 dish detergent, body wash, hand soap, peanut butter, canned fish and pasta sauce and drop in one of the boxes in the lobby. Thank you for helping the poor this Lent.

Next CWL Meeting: **April 1** in Parish Centre at 7pm. All women welcome

SOUP SUPPER: We will be having a soup supper before Mass on **Holy Thursday, April 17 at 6pm 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.



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.
Friday April 4 – CWL
Friday April 11 – Home Eucharistic Ministers



FLOWERS FOR EASTER: The Decoration Committee invites you to bring in flowers/plants for the Easter Season. A variety of flowers are appreciated, preferably some that would last well into the Easter season. If you would like to remember a loved one, feel free to include a small card with their name on it. Please bring the flowers to the back of the church, to the sacristy behind the altar starting *Monday, April 14* until *Thursday, April 17*. Thank-you.



PARISH RECONCILIATION DAY: We have dedicated **Thursday, April 10**, for the Day of Reconciliation for individual confessions from 10 am to noon and 1 - 5pm. The church will be open for prayer, lenten devotions, and meditation. Priests will be available for Confessions.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEN'S NIGHT:

On **April 10**, the Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a men's night at St. Raphael's Church at 7pm. They have invited Chris Carter to talk about the "Burlington Dad's" group. This group has been operating in Burlington for the past 11 years, raising money for charities. Their toy drive at Christmas raised \$56,000.

Come and be inspired; make new friends, share some food, and have some fun. \$5 for the 50/50 draw is all that is needed for admission.



MASS OF CHRISM: All are welcome to attend the Diocesan mass of Chrism during which His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will bless the Oils for the Sick and Catechumens. He will also consecrate Sacred Chrism. The Mass of Chrism will be celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on **Monday, April 14 at 2pm**. Parking is limited and carpooling is encouraged. The Cathedral Basilica will open at 12:30pm. The celebration will be livestreamed with links on the Diocesan website and the Cathedral Basilica's website.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The children are an important part of our church! If you are interested in volunteering with the children's liturgy at the Sunday 11am mass please contact fiona_martin1@hotmail.com or text 647-801-0708.

Lent & Holy Week Schedule**FRIDAY EVENINGS**

6 30pm - Stations of the Cross

7pm – Mass

DAY OF RECONCILIATION – April 10

10am – noon & 1 – 5pm

PALM SUNDAY – April 12/13

5pm – Mass

9am & 11am – Mass

TENEBRAE – April 17

7pm - Evening service

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 9am & 11am

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/4hOP0Bc>

JUBILEE OF HOPE, 2025 The Diocese of Hamilton joins the celebration of the Global Church in this Ordinary Jubilee Year, 2025, as "Pilgrims of Hope!" We are all invited to journey through this year drawing closer to God through prayer, service and experiences of renewal. Six churches have been marked as pilgrimage sites across the Diocese, welcoming you as a visitor over the course of the Jubilee to come and pray. Resources, information and locations of the pilgrimage sites are all made available on the Diocesan Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

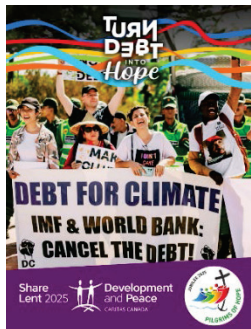
VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2025: The Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to gather on Wednesday, April 30, at Liuna Station in Hamilton to celebrate the service of our Priests, Religious Brothers and Sisters, Permanent Deacons, and Consecrated Virgins Living in the World. Doors open at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. To order tickets or for information, send an email to serrahamilton1965@gmail.com. You can pay for your ticket through e-transfer using the same email or you can also pay by credit card using the following link: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>. This event is co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH: Parents are the most influential people in their children's lives. They watch every move, take in every word and see how you navigate the world - then they become the mini version of you, their parents. All the traits they take in become part of who they are for life! Help them to be the best people they can be by looking inward and asking yourself if you are doing enough to raise them to be the adult you would like them to be. If not, change how you interact and help them grow strong in mind, body and spirit. (Family Ministry Office)

YOUTH GROUP (TEENAGERS 12 – 19): We thank the youth group for 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, and Ushers. After mass they join in Faith formation and youth activities. We encourage all the youth to register for the Youth Group.

GRIEF MINISTRY – PILGRIMS OF HOPE: Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! We will have an evening of hope and fellowship for all those in our parish who are grieving on **Saturday, April 26, at 6pm** in the parish hall. Please sign up using the sheet in the lobby.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - DEMANDING FAIRER POLICIES IN TUNISIA:



Resource mismanagement and unfair international conditions trap Tunisia in debt. Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner, the Tunisian Economic Observatory (OTE), analyzes the country's debt policies, and informs Tunisians about economic issues, enabling them to demand fairer and more equitable policies to promote sustainable

development that benefits everyone.

This Lent, discover the work of OTE by reading our [Mini-magazine](#) at devp.org/lent/resources For more information, contact Cecilia Racine, cecilia_racine@hotmail.com

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