# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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. Francis Salasiar C.S.C. - Pastor

Fr. Roshan D'Souza C.S.C. - Associate Pastor

Anna-Marie Grimminck - Office Manager Ms. Maureen Lawlor - Office Assistant

OFFICE HOURS Mon-Fri

 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 Sunday Mon - Fri

Mon - Fri 9:00 AM

5:00 PM

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

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, every first and third Sunday at 1:00 PM
- 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
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HOTLINE 905.681.6394

The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com Holy Cross Vocations www.holycrossvocationscanada.com Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.HamiltonVocations.com



# Mass Intentions

Monday, May 27 at 9:00 a.m. + Thomas Daly

Tuesday, May 28 at 9:00 a.m. + Ante Cule

Wednesday, May 29 at 9:00 a.m. + Flavia & Aurelio Muscat

Thursday, May 30 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. David McDowell; Ints. Garth Brown; + Judith Ellen Fitzgerald; + Lori McDonald Konst; + Harv Malcolm;

> Friday, May 31 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Helen & Terry Sheenan 50th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, June 1 at 5:00 p.m. + Keno Viotin; + Michael Braganza; + John Gaudett; + Amy Penfold; + Harv Malcolm

Sunday, June 2

9:00 a.m. + Mary Ann Freudiger 11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

#### Please pray for the following:

John Scharer Mary Berry Doug Pudsey Frances Wentges Peggy Evans Jill Ascah Lee Olds Stephen Pustai Michael Smart Kyle Elliott Karen Beeho Pat Malcolm Elizabeth Elder Michael Colameco Tony Hymes Molly Laporte Nicola Izzi Sarah Scharer Jim Singer Elizabeth Talatala Asia Rae Landry Noah Landry Sr. Rosalie Siegler Alison Zierl Sarah LaFontaine Rosario Herve Jill Olds Joanne Pringle Cathy Moore Aileen Smith **Robert Connelly** 

Barbara Kennedy Maritza Garcia Gonzalez Milan Heck Helen Weppler Jane Urquhart Laith Yousif Mary Lilly Vincent Stanford Bill & Lucie Jennings Paul LaFontaine Frank Clarke Marie Bond Sandra Beyer

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

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday, May 19TH



<sup>H</sup> - Envelopes (219) \$3420.00
 Pope's Pastoral Work (2) \$12.00
 Loose \$561.00

Thank you for your continued support!

John's Gospel offers us comfort and peace in a very direct way for the 6th Sunday of Easter. Jesus says "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."

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**ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER** International Day for Biological Diversity May 22nd

Pope Francis writes: "...If we approach nature and the environment without this openness to awe and wonder, if we no longer speak the language of fraternity and beauty in our relationship with the world, our attitude will be that of masters, consumers, ruthless exploiters, unable to set limits on their immediate needs. By contrast, if we feel intimately united with all that exists, then sobriety and care will well up spontaneously..." Laudato Si # 11

Did you know that to make 1 pound of local honey, one hive of 80,000 bees flies a distance equal to twice around the world, visiting some 2million flowers around the Perth and Waterloo counties. A single bee will contribute about 1/10 of a teaspoon of honey over its lifespan of about 45 days. Think of the importance of providing pollinator flowers for bees! (Nith Valley Apiaries)

Hold the Dandelion Killer! Did you know that one of the first food sources of bees in the spring are dandelions? Dandelions are not only a food source for bees but are helpful to the soil. By way of their long taproots, they bring healthy nutrients from low in the ground up to the surface to nurture lawns. Consider allowing them to flower until the flowers die and then cut by mowing the grass!

\* **Bees die** due to the effects caused by a pesticide, specifically the use of a particular type of fertilizer called neonicotinoids. The mixture of substances interferes with the learning circuits in insects' brains (Nature Magazine releases\*). It makes bees slower to learn or they completely forget basic associations for their survival, such as linking floral aroma and food. The bees die as they are not able to feed themselves. https://davidsuruki.org/gueen-of-green/messy-yards-

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http://beefriendly.ca/25-plants-for-bees-in-your-garden/

#### IN OUR PARISH

#### FROM BURLINGTON TO BROADWAY A GALA

**FUNDRAISER CONCERT:** Adrianne Pieczonka and Gregory Dahl are giving a concert to raise funds for St. Raphael parish! Adrianne is a Burlington girl! She graduated from St. Raphael School, worshiped with her family at St. Raphael church and sang in St. Raphael's choir. She went to Europe to study voice/music and became very, very famous. In Vienna she is known and loved like a "rock star". Her concerts at Carnegie Hall and the "Met" are sold out events. Let us fill **St. Raphael church** to overflowing for this once in a lifetime gala on **June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**. To purchase tickets please visit www.SouthernOntarioLyricOpera.com. Tickets can only be purchased on line, if you need help to purchase these tickets on line please contact the parish office.

2019 BIBLE CAMP: July 8 – 12 Registration forms are available on the bulletin board at our parish entrance and on our parish website: <u>www.straphaels.ca</u> All registration forms must be received by in the parish office by Monday June 24<sup>th</sup>. **VOLUNTEERS FOR BIBLE CAMP:** all students entering **grade 7 - 12 and young adults** who would like to help out with this year's bible camp are invited to contact the parish office at 905-637-2346. The volunteers do not pay any fee for the camp and <u>will receive volunteer hours.</u>



**VOLUNTEER UPDATE:** If you are a volunteer at St. Raphael Parish please be aware that police checks have to be done every five years. Our last drive for needed police checks was in

2014. Therefore, if your police check that you submitted to our parish is five years old or more please send in a **new updated police check** to the wooden box in the welcoming area marked "**Volunteer screening forms drop off**". All submitted police checks will be returned to you. If you have any questions please call Rina Fowler at 905-634-0248.



**BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC:** Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Are you a Catholic who has not received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation, or

do you know someone who is a Catholic but has not received these Sacraments? Then maybe the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the place for you or them. Every year thousands of adults are welcomed into the Roman Catholic Church through the RCIA process. The RCIA is a series of instructions, faith development and rituals designed to help adults and older children become full members of the Catholic Church. Classes begin in early September and end on the Feast of Pentecost. For more information please contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

**FR. FRANCIS WILL BE AWAY:** It is told that if one is a good pastor he deserves a four-week break and if he is not a good one then the people deserve a break from him. Having said that I want to inform you that I will be away from May 27<sup>th</sup> for four weeks from the parish, traveling to India to meet my family and celebrate my village feast of St. John the Baptist on June 22<sup>nd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> and return on June 27<sup>th</sup>. *Father Francis* 

#### **IN OUR COMMUNITY**

HALTON CATHOLIC TEACHERS GUILD: The Teachers in the HCDSB, are trying to begin a Catholic teachers guild. The inaugural Mass presided by Fr. Cornelius O'Mahoney will take place on Mon May 27 at 7pm at St. Andrew, (47 Reynolds St., Oakville). The mission of the Catholic Teachers Guild is to support and strengthen the vocation of the teacher in the teaching tradition of the Catholic Church. Support of the vocation of the Catholic teacher is through sacraments & prayer, special events, lectures, study groups, and a web site. For more info please visit www.hatoncatholicteachersguild.com. MEMORIAL MASS AT GATE OF HEAVEN CEMETERY: On Sat. June 8<sup>th</sup> at 11 am, Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI. will celebrate the annual Memorial Mass at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 580 Old York Road, Burlington. Please visit www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca or call 905-690-7547 for more info. All are welcome!

WALK FOR LIFE: Will you walk with Halton Alive? Commemorate the 100,000 unborn lives lost to abortion every year in Canada and reaffirm our commitment to supporting women in unplanned pregnancies with each step on Sat. June 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at Burlington Christian Fellowship (2054 Mountainside Drive). A pro-life fundraiser the whole family can enjoy! BBQ lunch, t-shirt and kids games included. **\$20 /ticket**, 12 and under are free (includes registration, walk and BBQ).Join a team or create your own at www.haltonalive.ca/w41 Help raise funds to support prolife education in Halton!

2019 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF TOURNAMENT: Join for a relaxed day of golf, socializing with friends and raise funds to help those less fortunate in our community. **Tues. June 4<sup>th</sup>** at Lowville Golf Club in Burlington. **Registration & Lunch 11 am**, Scramble / Shotgun start at 1 pm sharp. **\$160 per player**. You can register and pay online, KoC5073-Events.ca or drop off registration info (name, phone # and cheque payable to 'K of C 5073') to our Columbus Hall mailbox 2400 Industrial St. For more information please contact Jim McCarthy 905-336-3811 or email: mjmccarthy83@hotmail.com or call the Knights of Columbus hall at 905-335-5073.

**8TH ANNUAL HCCEF CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC**: on Wed. **June 12<sup>th</sup>**. Help students & families in need. The tournament is at Piper's Heath in south Milton. All are welcome. Golfers, sponsors & prizes are needed. Sign up TODAY at <u>www.hccef.org</u>. If golf is not your thing, consider attending dinner only, or donations are always welcome.

**VOCATIONS:** Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood or religious consecrated life? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton call 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com. To join Holy Cross Fathers please speak with Father Francis or visit www.holycrossvocationscanada.com.

SUNDAY FUNNY:



"If you want some good stuff to eat, just keep asking Mommy questions when she's on the phone."

