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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 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, 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

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See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

Please visit these websites: The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com
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Monday, May 30 at 9:00 a.m. + Tim Baillargeon

Tuesday, May 31 at 9:00 a.m. + Darryll Malley

Wednesday, June 1 at 9:00 a.m. + Joe Lawlor

Thursday, June 2 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Sylvia Gzik; Ints. Al Clarke; Ints. of Mbrs of Solid Rock Baptist Church; Ints. Sr. Rosalie Siegler

> Friday, June 3 at 9:00 a.m. + Nelson & Charles Abdilla

Saturday, June 4 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Marianne Hofgartner

Saturday, June 4 at 5:00 p.m. + John Kevin O'Dowd; + Robert Colterman; Ints. Dave Heald; Joe Alexandre (Thanksgiving, 90th Birthday)

Sunday, June 5

9:00 a.m. + Merle Chenery 11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Please pray for the following:

Maureen Fisher Molly Laporte Barbara Kennedy Isabelle Wild Nicola Izzi Maritza Garcia Martin Dawson Sarah Scharer Gonzalez John Scharer Vincent Stanford Michael Dowson Mary Berry Jim Singer Milan Heck Doug Pudsey Catherine Gee Helen Weppler Sylvia Gzik Elizabeth Talatala Jane Urquhan Rosy Santos Perez

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 Tuesday a.m.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday, May 22nd \$4,426.00 Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

NOTICE OF UPCOMING MARRIAGE: There is a promise of marriage between *Tara Hutchinson and Karl O'Blenis*. The wedding will take place on June 11th.

SUMMER 2016 BIBLE CAMP: July 11 – July 15 for children from J.K. to Grade 6. For more information please take a registration form from the Parish Entrance as well as St. Raphael and St. Paul School Offices. *Registration deadline is June 10*th

SNACK DONATIONS NEEDED: Sprinkles, Rice Cakes, Animal Crackers, Graham Crackers, Marshmallow Creme, Raisins, Ice cream cones (sugar or regular), Cupcake Papers, Granola Bars (Peanut Free), Fruit Roll ups, Cereal, Cheerios Fruit Loops. **Snacks for the Youth Leaders:** Soft drinks, chips, small sweets. Please bring donations to the parish office. Thank you!

SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

A liturgist and teacher whom I know speaks of a part of the Mass which gets the least emphasis in our Sunday celebration. It comes at the very end of Mass, as the priest blesses the assembly and dismisses it. This short ceremony is really a "commissioning." We're being sent out into the world, to put the whole meaning of the Sunday Eucharist into practical action in our lives.

Today's feast, which commemorates Christ's gift of himself in the Eucharist, has two Scripture selections which help us appreciate this "under-emphasized" part of the Mass. Listen to Saint Paul describe to the Corinthians how Jesus blessed and broke bread at the Last Supper, and then hear Luke's Gospel tell the story of Jesus feeding the crowd. The Gospel speaks of "blessing and breaking" the loaves as well.

Could Luke have meant us to hear this story of Jesus feeding the hungry, and intended us to think about the meaning of Eucharist as well? How is Jesus the food that feeds our deepest hungers? And could that connection teach us what we're commissioned to do at every Eucharist: to take its power into everyday life where we're called to feed others, with both physical and spiritual food? Those are good questions to think about as we gather for Eucharist this weekend. Fr. Greg Friedman OFM



YOUTH MASS: The next youth Mass will be on **Saturday**, **June 4**th **at 7 p.m.** All are welcome! Please contact Fr. Francis if you are interested in reading or singing.

REVERENT RECEPTION OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

- 1. As we approach the minister of the Body of Christ a **simple bow of the head** is the gesture which the Canadian Conference of Bishops have directed us to use as a sign of reverence.
- 2. If we receive the Body of Christ in our hands, one hand should be placed under the other (forming as it were a throne for Christ). Please respond to the minister's words "The Body of Christ", with an **audible AMEN**
- 3. As we approach the minister of the **Blood of Christ**, please make a simple bow of the head before taking the chalice and answer with an **audible AMEN** to the minister's words "The Blood of Christ"
- 4. If you do not receive from the chalice, please make a reverent bow of the head as you pass the minister of the Blood of Christ.

CONFIRMATION PARENT/GRADE SIX STUDENTS

MEETING: Those who wish to be part of the Sacrament of Confirmation in January 2017 are requested to be present for an information session and to be registered into the preparation for Confirmation. The meeting is on Monday, May 30th at 6:45 p.m. in St. Raphael Church. Parents and students should be present. Rite of Acceptance for Confirmation: Sunday, June 5th at 9 a.m. for St. Raphael School and 11 a.m. for St. Paul School. Please be at the church 30 minutes before the Mass.



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER

Pope Francis writes: "Fresh drinking water is an issue of primary importance, since it is indispensable for human life and for

supporting terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems. Sources of fresh water are necessary for health care, agriculture and industry. Water supplies used to be relatively constant, but now in many places demand exceeds the sustainable supply, with dramatic consequences in the short and long term. Large cities dependent on significant supplies of water have experienced periods of shortage, and at critical moments these have not always been administered with sufficient oversight and impartiality." Laudato Si' #28

At this time of year our hearts and minds turn to planting our gardens! Did you know that **perennial plants require significantly less amounts of water than annual flowering plants?** All that is needed is a covering of mulch over the garden to help retain its moisture. Perennial plants will grow and flower again in succeeding years. Consider planting a perennial garden. See www.burlingtongreen.org for tips and ideas!.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY SPECIAL MASS
The Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be celebrated in the church as usual at 9:00 a.m. on Friday
June 3rd. In the evening at 7:00 p.m. the parishes of the Burlington Zone of the Diocese are invited to our parish for a special celebration to mark the Jubilee Year of
Mercy. Msgr. Ray Modeski will be the homilist. There will be light refreshments and fellowship after the Mass.
The Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass will be celebrated on Saturday June 4 at 9:00 a.m. to honour the love of Mary for us.

PARKING LOT SALE/ BBQ FUNDRAISER

On **Saturday**, **June 18** a Parking lot sale and BBQ fundraiser will take place in our parish parking lot from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tables/space will be available to rent after all masses for the next 3 weeks. **8' tables are \$35 and 6' tables are \$20**. The Knights of Columbus will host the BBQ and we will be selling beverages and ice cream sundaes. If you would rather donate items to St. Vincent de Paul please contact Margaret @ 905-681-6140. For all other info please contact Marlene 905-634-0733.

SUNDAY DINNER WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Bring your family and join fellow parishioners for an evening of delicious food and great music on **Sunday**, **June 26 at 6 p.m**. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Buffet dinner includes penne, roasted chicken, Italian sausage, roasted potatoes, salad, bread, dessert. If you are able to donate a dessert, please email: gabriella.starcevic@gmail.com. Cash bar. Cost: \$25/adult, \$10/child (12 and under). Tickets on sale after Masses. *Proceeds of this event go directly to the St. Raphael Accessibility Project*.



LADIES COFFEE MORNING: All Ladies are invited this **Wed.**, **June 1**st at 9:30 a.m. in the St. Francis Room. This will be the last gathering until Wednesday, September 7th.



Attention Catholic Women's league members - our summer luncheon will be held at noon on **Thursday**, **June 9**th at THE RUBY restaurant in the Tansley Woods retirement

home (top floor). The address is 4100 Upper Middle Road (at the corner of Upper Middle Road and Itabashi Way). Please call Helen Sheehan @ 905-634-7491 <u>before Tuesday, June 7th to confirm your attendance.</u>

RITE OF ORDINATION: Kevin D'Souza, who is studying for the priesthood for the diocese of Hamilton, will be ordained to the transitional diaconate in June. The rite of ordination, by the Bishop, will take place during the 7 PM Mass on **Friday**, **June 10th** at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Waterdown. There will be a reception later in the parish hall. Kevin would like to invite you all to attend.



WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY - JUNE 5th

The World Environment Day celebration began in 1972 and has grown to become one of the main vehicles through which the UN stimulates worldwide awareness of the

environment and encourages political attention and action. World Environment Day, commemorated each year on June 5th is one of the principal vehicles through which the United Nations stimulates worldwide awareness of the environment and enhances political attention and action.

NOVENA FOR LIFE THREATENED BY BILL C14: A group of Ottawa Doctors have requested our help to organize a NATIONWIDE NOVENA to "Our Lady of Good Success" to STOP EUTHANASIA in Canada. Please pray a Novena to Our Lady of Good Success in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord TO INTERCEDE FOR CANADIANS FOR TRUE WISDOM CONCERNING THIS FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE ABOUT THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN LIFE. Begin at any time, at least nine days before June 6, 2016 when BILL C14 will be put before Parliament for the vote.

THE MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER CAMPAIGN used funds donated from Hamilton Diocese in the following way: \$40,000 for the *Indigenous Student Support Fund* and \$100,000 for *Gathering Place* at the Mohawk Community College; \$45,000 for the Life Long Care project of the Hamilton Regional Indian Centre; \$60,000 for the development of *Firekeepers* (trauma support and suicide prevention) in Maliseet territory, New Brunswick; \$30,000 for Indigenous leadership in identification of and development of appropriate projects and \$25,000 yet to be distributed. This is how our support for the Catholic Entities fundraising campaign was used

FUN EVENING & SEMINAR: Gavel Media presents an entertaining evening with Financial Advisor Andrew Oproiu. Join us Saturday June 4, from 6 - 8pm in St. Raphael's Parish Centre for an informative financial session with great food, live classical music, and a family friendly Comedian. Experience a great session with one of Canada's top young advisors on current trends in Financial Management. Tickets are \$10. All proceeds go directly to St Vincent De Paul and the amazing work they do in our community. Everyone is welcome!

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