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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

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.

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

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 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
905.632.1424

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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

Please visit these websites: The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com
Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.HamiltonDiocese.org



Monday, November 7 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Mike Byrne

Tuesday, November 8 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Hermann Stegen

Wednesday, November 9 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Santo Domenica Spagnolo

Thursday, November 10 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Marie Graham; + Fran Walsh;
+ Christopher Cox; + Quirina Van Geel

Friday, November 11 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Lorraine Popovich

Saturday, November 12 at 5:00 p.m.
+ Patricia Day; + Chris Banks; + Mary Oravec
+ Rosalind D'Souza; + Clinton Cox

Sunday, November 13
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Ints. Marilyn Bittner

Please pray for the following:

Isabelle Wild	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
John Scharer	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
Mary Berry	Sarah Scharer	Gonzalez
Doug Pudsey	Vincent Stanford	Michael Dowson
Sylvia Gzik	Jim Singer	Milan Heck
Rosy Santos Perez	Catherine Gee	Helen Weppler
John O'Boyle	Elizabeth Talatala	Jane Urquhart
Frances Wentges	Maria Szkitalinski	Laith Yousif
Diane Svazas	Sr Rosalie Siegler	

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, October 30th \$ 5,161.00
Debt Reduction \$ 1,087.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

DISASTER RELIEF: Please return your envelopes for our special collection for Haiti to assist in recovery from the recent devastation by Hurricane Matthew. Envelopes marked Disaster Relief are available in the parish entrance and can be put in the offertory collection *until November 13th*. All donations are forwarded to the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. *The total collection at St. Raphael Parish to date is \$1,370.00*



SAVE THE DATE! The Annual Children's Advent Party will be on **the first Sunday of Advent, November 27th** from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Free for children in Kindergarten to grade 3 (with parent or guardian). More information to follow.

THIRTY-SECOND DAY OF THE LORD IN ORDINARY TIME

This is the month of All Souls. They need us to offer the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross for them--to have Masses said for them. They need us to pray the rosary asking Mary to speak to her son for our loved ones. They need us to keep the memory of their goodness alive and before the Lord. The Books of Maccabees tell us that it is a good thing to pray for the dead. During the Month of November, we pray for our loved ones that they might be healed of the effects of sin in their lives and be admitted into the eternal love of the Lord. And so we pray in beautifully poetic language:

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Msgr. Joseph A. Pellegrino



CWL CHRISTMAS WISH TREE in support of THE GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER is now available in the foyer. Please take a tag and purchase a gift to put under the tree (unwrapped). The gifts are taken to Hamilton at the end of Nov., in time for the staff to distribute. Thank you for your generosity.

ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT: THE ELEVATOR

After several delays, but with due diligence undertaken by the Finance Council, Pastoral Council, the Accessibility Subcommittee and the advice and consent of the Diocese of Hamilton, we are happy to announce that the contract to act as General Contractor for the Project has been given to *Tarbutt Construction*. In the budget report included in this bulletin, you will see that the cost for the Project is greater than the original proposal presented last November. In that proposal, it was anticipated that we would get materials and services offered pro bono or with substantial discounts. That did not happen. For a more detailed report, which was presented at the Parish meeting on Sunday, October 2nd, please contact the office to be given the PowerPoint presentation which you can download to your computer. Now that the General Contractor has been engaged, the work should start this week. The projected completion date is March 2017.

ST. RAPHAEL'S GAMES NIGHT: Save the date for **November 26/2016**. Get your teams together for a night of fun and laughter. \$10.00 per ticket which will go on sale starting November 5th. Questions or to book your table/tickets please call Renata at 905 637 2457 or galwayrenata@gmail.com.



REMINDER - please return baby bottles for Shifra Homes to the church. Kindly place the bottle in the designated box located in the Welcoming area on the side of the St. Anthony Room. Shifra Homes and the Catholic Women's League thank you for your generous support.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Thank you for your generous donations. Our total collection to date is \$1,526.00. *Please return your envelopes by Nov. 13th.*



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER

Pope Francis writes: *"It must be said that some committed and prayerful Christians, with the excuse of realism and pragmatism, tend to ridicule expressions of concern for the environment. Others are passive; they choose not to change their habits and thus become inconsistent. So what they all need is an 'ecological conversion,' whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ becomes evident in their relationship with the world around them. Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience".*

Laudato Si' # 217

Earth Poisoning Prevention: Almost half the waste generated worldwide is municipal solid waste, and amounts to 1.3 billion tonnes. **One person generates annually waste equal to 7 times their weight.** Globally, about one-third of food produced for human consumption is lost or wasted, amounting to about 1.3 billion tonnes every year.

Canadians use between 9- and 15-billion plastic bags a year, enough to circle the Earth more than 55 times, according to the Greener Footprints website. (U.S. citizens use about 100 billion a year!) Few plastic bags are recycled. Most are used for a short time to carry groceries, and then maybe re-used as garbage bags. **They take at least 1,000 years to break down, and even then, they don't biodegrade.** Plastic shopping bags contain enough embodied petroleum energy to drive a car one kilometer.

Chemicals are affecting the environment in different ways: polluted water, air and soil. **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle! Rethink the products that you use!**
<http://www.davidsuzuki.org/publications/downloads/2011/QueenOfGreen-Green-cleaning-recipes>



At the Heart of the Action with Development and Peace for ecological justice

At the COP21, Canada committed to investing \$2.65 billion by 2020 to support countries of the Global South that are severely affected by climate change. While there are many ways to respond to climate change, we believe that agriculture must be at the heart of proposed solutions. Let's support an agricultural model that enables these stewards of the earth to live in dignity and feed their communities in a way that respects our common home, the Earth.

You received with your Parish bulletin last Sunday some materials from the Heart of the Action Campaign. Please re-read the materials to be informed about the action we will take next Sunday. We will ask you to **sign a postcard to the Prime Minister** to take into account the **vital role of small family farmers** in feeding and cooling the planet and to ensure that their voices are heard: www.devp.org/act



OPERA AT ST. RAPHAEL: Presented by the Southern Ontario Lyric Opera Company. Join us for an evening of operatic arias & sacred music

on **Tuesday, December 6th at 7:00pm.** *Featuring: Mezzo-soprano Cassandra Warner, Tenor Romulo Delgado & Members of the SOLO chorus, accompanied by Maestro Sabatino Vacca.* Tickets \$25, Available after all weekend masses, by calling (905) 637-2346, or Renata Lazzaretto (galwayrenata@gmail.com)



The **St. Vincent de Paul special collection** takes place next week-end, **November 12/13.**

Please use the blue envelope found with your offertory envelopes. Additional envelopes are available in the Parish Gathering area.

BOOMERANG CARDS: Bridge and euchre sessions are held in the Parish Centre on **Monday afternoons at 1:00 p.m.** Join us for an afternoon of fun for only a toonie.



PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND: March 5 – 14, 2017 (10 days) Under spiritual leadership of **Fr. Francis Salasias C.S.C.** Tel Aviv, Galilee, Tiberias, Capernaum, Cana, Judea, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Masada. Cost of \$2,349 includes air transportation from Toronto (airport tax not included), hotel accommodation, breakfast and dinner daily, all sightseeing with English speaking guide. For further details pick up a flyer and registration form or contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

Healing Mass for Those Mourning the Loss of a Child
 Losing a child is a painful and life-altering experience for parents, grandparents and other family members. The feeling of loss, regardless of the amount of time that has passed, is often more profound during the Christmas season. A Diocesan Healing Mass, meant to bring hope to all those trying to cope with such grief, is planned at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for **Sunday, November 27, 2016 at 4 pm.** Any one who has lost a child of any age from any cause, including those that have lost a child prior to birth, or who have had a still birth are invited to this Mass celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby. God is close to those who mourn, come and experience His healing presence. Registration is preferred, but not necessary, as it will assist us in knowing how many spaces to reserve and to ensure we have enough of the small memento each family will receive. Please call Lena at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or register on-line at www.hamiltondiocese.com

YEAR OF MERCY CLOSING CELEBRATIONS: The conclusion of the Year of Mercy will be celebrated with an Evening Prayer celebration on **Friday, November 18th, 2016** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. Archbishop Donald Bolen of Regina will offer a reflective talk on the Year of Mercy following Evening Prayer. On **Sunday, November 20th**, Bishop Crosby will preach at the Masses on the Feast of Christ the King at the Cathedral Basilica. All those attending will enter the church through the Doors of Mercy. Masses at the Cathedral Basilica are Saturday at 5:00 p.m.; Sunday at 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; and 4:00 p.m. All are welcome.

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