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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
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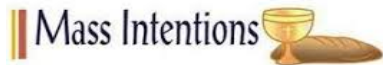
Archangel St. Raphael "God is my Healer"

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

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

TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF THE LORD IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday, October 17 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Ann MacDonald

Tuesday, October 18 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. David Peeling

Wednesday, October 19 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Carol Anne Spence

Thursday, October 20 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Walter Rasic; + Helen Idsinga;
+ Muriel DeLong; + David DeLong;
Ints. Frances Wentges

Friday, October 21 at 9:00 a.m.
In Thanksgiving

Saturday, October 22 at 5:00 p.m.
+ Carmen Fernandez & Angel Gutierrez;
+ Denis Boivin; Ints. Don Hughes;
Ints. Frances Wentges

Sunday, October 23
9:00 a.m. + Celeste Law
11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

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		

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 9th \$ 5,185.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING: There will be a registration meeting for all the parents of St. Raphael & St. Paul schools and Public schools on **Monday, October 24 at 6.30 p.m** at St. Raphael Parish center. All Parents are requested to bring the registration form and a copy of the Baptism certificate of your children who will be receiving their first communion. Those who do not have the registration form please contact the parish office.

NOTICE OF UPCOMING MARRIAGE: There is a promise of marriage between *Frances Mason and Roberto Juarez*. The wedding will take place on November 5, 2016.

9AM MASS CHOIR: In an effort to encourage more singers to join us, the 9AM Mass Choir will be practicing on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. We invite you to come and worship with us as we give "Glory and Praise" and "Celebrate God in Song".

TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF THE LORD IN ORDINARY TIME

The woman in Jesus' parable doggedly resisted injustice, until right was done - she achieved a victory for justice. It wasn't a big victory: she didn't change a bad legal system overnight. She didn't say, what's my one small voice against opposition like this. You get the impression she would keep on doing that in all situations, for herself and everyone else. **She got more and more like God in the process.** God is always doing that kind of thing for us. God is like the mother, fighting the cause of justice for her children - because justice is right, and we have a right to it. **And God does not give up.** God keeps at it for us. So does this woman! Sometimes, I think, we read this gospel story in a very tame way. We only turn it into an example of how to pray. We make the woman very docile, very acceptable, very pious, even someone who might bother God by praying too much. **What bothers God is not people saying prayers, it is human systems, in governments and in the church sometimes, that practise injustice by looking at people as stereotypes, and not as persons.** We need people around like the woman in today's story. We need some men around like that, too. Today is their feast day, and the persistent widow, in the cause of justice, is their patron saint. *RedemptoristSpirituality.net*



MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Our Mass of Remembrance will take place on **Wednesday, November 2nd at 7 p.m.** We remember those in our parish who died this past year and all our beloved deceased. Everyone welcome.

MINISTRY FAIR: Please mark the date for our ministry fair which will take place on **October 22 and 23**, after each mass. The role of the laity is essential in accomplishing the mission of the Church. Each of us is called to be of service to one another. *'It is critical to realize that, according to the Church itself, our vocation and mission as laypeople derives from our Baptism and is strengthened through Confirmation. As members of God's family and his Church, we are no longer on our own. We are intimately and mystically united to the Lord and each other'*. And so we receive the call to serve one another. During the ministry fair, the parish as a whole will have the opportunity to know the different ministries of the parish and to sign up for most of these ministries.



THANKSGIVING DINNER & DANCE: Couples For Christ and It's Ministries [Halton Chapter] is hosting a semi-formal Thanksgiving dinner/dance in the **St. Raphael Parish Centre**

on **Saturday, October 29** at 6:00 p.m. Please purchase your tickets after Mass in the foyer. The cost per adult is \$20.00 and children under 12 years old are free. There will also be a cash bar. This is a "first come, first serve" basis due to hall capacity. Come and join us for an evening of food, friends, entertainment & fellowship!



WEEKLY BULLETIN: If you would like an electronic bulletin delivered to your inbox, please send a request to bulletin@straphaels.ca



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER

Pope Francis writes, *"The rich and the poor have equal dignity, for 'the Lord is the maker of them all'" (Prov 22:2). "He himself made both small and great" (Wis 6:7), and "he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good" (Mt 5:45). This has practical consequences, such as those pointed out by the bishops of Paraguay: "Every campesino has a natural right to possess a reasonable allotment of land where he can establish his home, work for subsistence of his family and a secure life. This right must be guaranteed so that its exercise is not illusory but real. That means that apart from the ownership of property, rural people must have access to means of technical education, credit, insurance, and markets".* Laudato si #94. **The International Day for the Eradication of Poverty** is celebrated every year on **October 17** throughout the world. It was officially recognised by the United Nations, but the first commemoration of the event took place in Paris, France, in 1987 when 100,000 people gathered on the Human Rights and Liberties Plaza at the Trocadéro to honour victims of poverty, hunger, violence and fear. The eradication of poverty is one of the 13 Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations in 2015. Check out the United Nations website <http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/> and read about the Sustainable Development Goals agreed upon by UN members in order to eradicate poverty and to address human rights issues of all people in the world. **World Food Day: October 16** has been promoted by the Food and Agriculture Organization since 1981. The church is concerned about the issue of hunger in the world, remembering the words of the Son of Man on the last judgment of the nations, **"...I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink..."** (Mt 25: 35)

YOUTH MASS: There will be a Youth Mass celebration every first Saturday of each month at 7 p.m. Our first Mass for this year is **November 5th**. This Mass is open to all youth and their families as well as young adults.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: OCT 22/23

Every parish across the world will celebrate this unique Sunday. It is a global sign of the Universal Church and Mission. Your prayers and donations will help support

churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is beginning, where it is new. **Please be as generous as possible to the collection for the Propagation of the Faith.** For more than 1200 Dioceses in Asia, Africa, Latin America, the Pacific islands and some of our Canadian dioceses that depend on the World Mission collection. On this special weekend, **GRADE 4 CHILDREN** from St. Paul School, St. Raphael School and public and private schools will receive their **own personal copy of the New Testament**. This is a reminder for them and all parishioners that we are all called to as a missionary church to share the Gospel of Jesus to the world. The blessing and distribution of the New Testaments will take place after communion at all masses.



POT LUCK SUPPER with our Brothers and Sister in Christ

A "CHURCHES ON NEW STREET" EVENT.

Friday, November 4. St. Raphael Parish Centre. Please arrive with your dish at 6 p.m. You choose, bring what you are best at, main, side or dessert.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE general meeting will be held on **Monday, October 17th** in the Parish Centre at 7:30 p.m. We will be saying the scriptural rosary and all parishioners are welcome to join us. We will discuss our social justice initiatives such as our "Pornography Hurts" campaign and resolutions passed at our National Meeting asking government to amend acts on immigration and refugee protection and the Canada Health Act. For more information, please contact Helen at 905-634-7481.

SHIFRA HOMES - This is a reminder to **return your Shifra Homes baby bottles** to the church by the end of October. Place the bottles in the designated box in the Welcoming Area under the Shifra Homes display. All donations over \$10.00 will be issued an income tax receipt if you fill out the sheet inside the bottle. Your contributions allow Shifra Homes to operate and continue to provide a safe haven for young pregnant homeless women and their babies. www.shifrahomes.com

40 DAYS FOR LIFE MASS: Bishop Crosby invites all parishioners to join him for the Halton Deanery 40 Days for Life Mass on **Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 7 pm at St Gabriel Parish** in Burlington. The Mass supports the campaign of quiet prayer and peaceful protest against abortion and is a chance to pray that the hearts of all those considering abortion will be open to finding the support they will need so that the unborn might find a safe haven in the wombs of their mothers. Please show your support by joining us at Mass.

PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND: March 5 – 14, 2017 (10 days) Under spiritual leadership of **Fr. Francis Salasiar C.S.C.** There will be an **information meeting on Thursday, November 3 at 7:30 p.m.** in the parish centre. For further details pick up a flyer and registration form or contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

ALL SOULS DAY MASS at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton, will celebrate the annual All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington, on **Sunday, October 30, 2016 at 2 p.m.** All are welcome to attend. For more info: (905) 522-7727 or www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

6TH ANNUAL HCCEF EVENING WITH BISHOP CROSBY Join us for a wonderful opportunity to meet Bishop Douglas Crosby and to hear him speak. It's a fun evening with exceptional food, fellowship and a great cause – proceeds support the HCCEF Student Guardian Program. All are welcome. **Wednesday November 2, 2016 – 5:30-9:30pm** Le Dome Banquet Hall, 1173 North Service Road East, Oakville. \$75/ticket. Registration forms available in the parish entrance or at www.hccef.org

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