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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

closed on Statutory Holidays

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

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
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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

The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com Holy Cross Vocations www.holycrossvocationscanada.com
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Monday, September 16 at 9:00 a.m.
Fr. Ranjan D'Sa

Tuesday, September 17 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Sister Rosalie Siegler

Wednesday, September 18 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Lincoln Munshaw

Thursday, September 19 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Richard Rottich; + Chester & Sylvia Gzik;
+ Dr. Philip Emmanuele; + Kenneth Waines

Friday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Fr. Boniface Reinhart

Saturday, September 21 at 5:00 p.m.
Ints. Dante Curaco; + Sean Browne;
+ Eileen Smith; + Kathleen Farkas; + Helen Kushner

Sunday, September 22
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners
11:00 a.m. + Kathleen Taylor

Please pray for the following:

John Scharer	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
Mary Berry	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
Doug Pudsey	Sarah Scharer	Gonzalez
Peggy Evans	Jim Singer	Milan Heck
Jill Ascah	Elizabeth Talatala	Helen Weppler
Lee Olds	Asia Rae Landry	Jane Urquhart
Stephen Pustai	Noah Landry	Laith Yousif
Michael Smart	Alison Zierl	Mary Lilly
Kyle Elliott	Sarah LaFontaine	Vincent Stanford
Karen Beeho	Rosario Herve	Bill & Lucie
Pat Malcolm	Jill Olds	Jennings
Elizabeth Elder	Joanne Pringle	Paul LaFontaine
Michael Colameco	Aileen Smith	Frank Clarke
Tony Hymes	Robert Connelly	Marie Bond
Helen Sheehan		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, Sept 8th - Envelopes (244) \$4411.00
- Loose \$566.00

Thank you for your continued support!

God's loving mercy and forgiveness to us is the central message in **Luke's Gospel** for the **Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**. Knowing that his audience includes not only the sinners but also the judgmental religious leaders, Jesus offers three parables about mercy, ending with the powerful story of the Prodigal Son. The father says to the jealous older son, "You are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."

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ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER
International Day for Preservation of the
Ozone Layer: September 16th

Pope Francis writes: The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change. LAUDATO SI # 13
As we continue with the theme "The Web of Life" as part of the "Season of Creation", now is the perfect time to start preparing our gardens for the fall. Plants, shrubs and trees are an integral part of the "web of life" in helping to clean the air and preserve the ozone layer by transforming carbon emissions into oxygen. Here are some ideas to prepare your garden for Fall:

- * Fall is a great time to plant, so continue adding to your garden. In early fall the ground is still warm and many plants are still actively growing roots.
 - * Trim back perennials that have gone dormant (once the leaves and stems have turned yellow or brown). If the plant has green leafy growth late in the fall, it's best to leave it until spring to see if it needs to be cut back. Also, some plants produce seed heads that are attractive to overwintering birds and these can be left standing until early spring, at which time they can be pruned back.
 - * Water needle-leaved conifers (like pines, firs, spruces and cedars) and broad-leaved evergreens (such as rhododendrons) well into the fall. This ensures that they will be well hydrated before the ground freezes.
 - * Stake young and newly planted trees to help prevent damage from high winds or heavy wet snow.
 - * Mulch garden beds to retain moisture and to protect your plants from rapid fluctuations in temperature. Fall is a good time to spread compost over the vegetable garden so that it is ready to be dug in come spring.
 - * Don't forget to fill up the birdfeeder. Fall is migration time and feathered visitors may stop by!
- ****Global Climate Strike September 20-27
<https://globalclimatesstrike.net> - Join in or pray for those speaking out for Our Common Home! ****

IN OUR PARISH

FAITH FORMATION "PIVOTAL PLAYERS" RESUMES:

We will continue our glimpse into the lives of our last three "Pivotal Players" **Wed. Sept. 18th at 7pm to 8:30 pm**. Please consider joining us for enlightenment, fellowship and coffee!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Children's Liturgy is offered at all the weekend masses, **Saturday at 5 pm, Sunday at 9 am and 11 am**. All children are welcome. Anyone wishing to volunteer as a leader (guidance and support will be provided) or help as a student (community hours eligible), with this program, please call or email Charlie at 905-681-6221 or bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca.



BOOMERANG CARDS: Bridge and euchre. **Mon. 1pm – 3pm** in the **Parish Centre**. Join in for an afternoon of fun for only a toonie.

FEAST OF ST. RAPHAEL: Preparing for the celebration of Saint Raphael we will be having a **Novena starting Sept. 20th after our 9 am masses.** We invite all those who can bake to **bring bake goods** for the weekend of **Sept. 28th/29th** masses to share with parishioners after the weekend masses.

ONE HEART, ONE SOUL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN KICKOFF: Our parish is in the current wave of parishes participating in the campaign and our campaign **Kickoff Weekend is scheduled for Sept. 21st/22nd.**

CONFIRMATION PARENTS MEETING: We are beginning the process of preparing our young people for the sacrament of Confirmation. The celebration will take place in 2020. If you have children who are in public or private school, who are in grade 7, please call the office for your registration package. The **meeting for the parents and students** will take place on **September 30th at 7 pm** in the church. The **Rite of Acceptance** will be held **October 5th/6th** at all our weekend masses.

THE DECORATION COMMITTEE MEETING: The decoration group will be meeting in the **Hearth Room** at **7:30pm on Wed. Oct 2nd** to discuss plans for decorations for the upcoming "Thanksgiving Weekend". Parishioners 18 years of age and over who are interested to join this Ministry please call Vivian at 905-637-5264.



CHRISTIAN MOVIE NIGHT: In our **Parish Centre** once a month on the **first Monday night of each month** starting October and Ending in May.

These movies are not necessarily suitable for children. The first movie will be **"Samson"** on **Oct. 7th**. It is rated PG-13 violence & battles. Samson is based on the powerful, biblical epic of a champion chosen by God to deliver Israel. His supernatural strength and impulsive decisions quickly pit him against the oppressive Philistine empire. After being betrayed by a wicked prince and beautiful temptress, Samson is captured and blinded. With God's help final victory is his.

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED: The Funeral Luncheon Committee requires more volunteers. We have set up, serving and cleanup, and phone committee positions available. These require as little as one hour to three hours of your time 5-8 times a year. I am also trying to find another coordinator to help chair this ministry. If you feel that this may be the volunteer job for you please call Marlene Cox 905-634-0733 for more info.



SSVP: Anne Shaw and I thank all the members of SSVP and their families, the parishioners, the four schools and the volunteers for their support filling the sea container that left for Whale Cove on Tues. Sept 3rd. We collected 1200 rolls of toilet paper, 300kg of flour and 134 boxes of Kraft dinner from the parishioners. The volunteers loaded 7533 pounds, 301 boxes for a value of \$24,000 of goods. This would not have been possible without your support.

– Margaret LaFontaine

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: wishes to thank all our parishioners who submitted used stamps to support Development and Peace projects and provide emergency relief during natural disasters or man-made catastrophes.

9 AM MASS CHOIR – JOIN US! The 9 am Sunday choir is looking for lots of voices of all types, and all ages. You do not need to know how to read music. The only prerequisite is that you like to sing. Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings, 7 to 8 pm in the Church. The Choir meets at 8:30 am for the Sunday Mass. Please join us.

IN OUR COMMUNITY



THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON: is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Our parish is in the current wave of parishes participating in the campaign and our campaign Kickoff Weekend is scheduled for Sept. 21-22. Here are a few Frequently Asked Questions as we near the kickoff. A compilation of all the FAQs is available throughout the campaign at oneheartonesoul.ca.

How do you determine the pledge amounts that families are asked to consider?

Ask amounts are based on a number of factors: planning study results, families' history of parish support, input from church leadership, and the understanding that for this to be successful it will require sacrificial gifts. In other words, if the amount you are asked for is more than you anticipated, it generally means that you have been a generous supporter of your parish and/or the Diocese and is an indication of the challenge we face in reaching our goal. Through this campaign, we are asking everyone to consider supporting their parish and the Diocese in a meaningful and sacrificial way and in a manner that works well for each family. It is not our intention to offend or embarrass anyone. The amount requested is NOT a demand or an expectation. It is an invitation to participate in this project at whatever level that is sacrificial and meaningful to you and your family. We will be grateful for any support you offer.

Does a campaign commitment result in tax benefits?

Gifts to the campaign are eligible for charitable tax credits that can significantly reduce the amount of tax you pay. The specific tax credit received is based on the amount of your gift and your taxable income. Donors with specific questions regarding tax benefits should contact their attorney or financial adviser.

Will we get reminders about our pledges during the three years of the campaign?

Yes, regular giving updates and reminders will be sent through the Diocese.

IGNATIAN RETREAT FOR MEN AND WOMEN: Sept. 20th-22nd. For more details, please contact Fiona at pickmanresa@rogers.com or 905-839-2864.



HALTON ALIVE GALA AND AUCTION: Friday, October 18th at St. Joseph's Banquet Hall. For information visit www.haltionalive.ca/gala.

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