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Fr. Wilson Andrade C.S.C. - Pastor

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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.

SACRAMENTS BAPTISMS & BECOMING ROMAN CATHOLIC

- For newborns, any weekend Mass.
- For school aged children, after being catechized.
- For adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic 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
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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

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Mass Intentions

(† = Deceased Intention; No Marking = Intentions of...;
Thx = Thanksgiving; Hlg = Healing)

Mon. Jan 20, 9am	Elizabeth Fox
Tue. Jan 21, 9am	Hettia & Alles families
Wed. Jan 22, 9am	† Jill Olds
Thu. Jan 23, 9am	† Diane Dawson
† Dr. Frank Fallen	
Thu. Jan 23, 10:30am	St. Raphael School Mass For the Students & Teachers
Fri Jan 24, 9am	† John & Censka Kosir
Sat Jan 25, 5pm	Joshua Tiamson
† Felomeno Necia Jr.	† Souls in Purgatory
Sun. Jan 26, 9am	For Our Parishioners
Sun. Jan 26, 11am	† Bob Brechin

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

January 12, 2025

Envelopes (142) \$3003
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Please pray for: Cristina Perron
Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.

SAFE FOOD HANDLING CERTIFICATES: The Safe Food Handling Certificates are ready for pick up in the parish office.

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Please pick up your box of 2025 donation envelopes in the parish lobby. For assistance, please contact the office.



PARISH BREAKFAST: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a breakfast of eggs, bacon, sausages, hash browns, pork beans, pancakes and toast in our parish hall on **Sunday, February 2, following the 9am and 11am masses.** Please give a generous donation at the door to help support the purchase of new tables for the parish hall! Don't forget to register using the sign-up sheet in the parish lobby.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING: Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2025 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

FAITH FORMATION: Your Parish Faith Formation Ministry is offering a three-session programme called "An Introduction to Prayer", to explore answers to questions like:

- Why should I pray?
- What should I say or do when I'm praying?
- Who exactly am I praying to?
- What different types of prayer are there?
- What do the spiritual masters say about prayer?
- How can I establish a solid routine of prayer?
- *We suggest that you read "An Introduction to Prayer" by Bishop Robert Barron and bring your own questions to the sessions.*

Note: Copies of the book are available in the Parish Office. This is the book that was given out at Christmas. Sessions will continue in the Parish Hall from 7:00pm to 8:30pm on **Wednesday, January 22 and 29.** Each session will be approximately 90 minutes long.

RECONCILIATION AND COMMUNION RITE OF



ENROLMENT: In preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion all **grade 2 students** are invited to **attend any of our weekend masses on February 1st/2nd.**

CONFIRMATION PARENTS' & STUDENTS'



MEETING: We are beginning the process of preparing our young people for the sacrament of Confirmation. The Confirmation Mass will take place on Saturday, May 3. There will be a meeting for the parents and students on **Monday, January 27, and Tuesday, January 28,** at 7pm in the church; families can attend either session. The **Rite of Acceptance** will be held **February 8th/9th** at all our weekend masses.

BIBLE PROJECT – 2025: "Ignorance of the Scripture is Ignorance of Christ" – St. Jerome.

Pope Francis has dedicated the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary time to be observed as the Word of God Sunday – encouraging everyone to read, study and reflect on the Word of God through the reading of the Bible. We have developed Bible Project materials where you can read the whole Bible in 120 days. There are information sheets available at the church entrance. Please make use of them for your personal reading and recording of the books in the Bible you have read. Those who complete the Reading of the Bible will receive a Certificate. You can also bring your Bible for a blessing as you begin to read the Bible. Contact Fr. Wilson for more information.



FR. EMMANUEL AWAY: Our Associate Pastor Father Emmanuel will be away until February 11. For any pastoral needs, please see our Pastor, Father Wilson.



2025 WORLD WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY - Burlington:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church & Address</u>
Sun. Feb 2	4:30pm	St. Raphael Catholic 4072 New Street
Mon. Feb 3	7pm	St. Luke's Anglican 1382 Ontario St.
Tues. Feb 4	7pm	Grace United 2111 Walkers Line
Wed. Feb 5	7pm	Burlington Anglican Lutheran 3455 Lakeshore Rd.
Thurs. Feb 6	7pm	Archangel Raphael & St. Marina Coptic Orthodox 1160 Blair Rd., Unit D1

Please come out to pray at any of these services.

BLESSING OF THE THROATS ON THE FEAST OF ST. BLAISE: Join us for the 9am morning mass on **Monday, February 3**, for the Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. After the mass there will be individual blessings of the throats.



ST. RAPHAEL ANNUAL CHILLI CHALLENGE: Come out for an evening of fellowship and fun on **Saturday, February 22, at 6pm**. Who will win the coveted Silver

Spoon for the best chilli of 2025? Enter your chilli to win. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. If you prefer not to compete, come out to sample the amazing creations entered by your fellow parishioners and cast your vote. Tables seat eight so please bring your family & friends. In lieu of selling tickets we will be collecting donations at the door. Please sign up to be a chef or to attend, the sign up sheet will be available after each weekend mass in the welcoming area.

45TH ANNUAL ST. RAPHAEL'S MEN'S RETREAT: 14-16 March, to be held at Manresa, 2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering. Topic will be: "The Wisdom of Henri Nouwen: Guidance for the Lenten Journey." by Fr. Kevin Kelly S.J. Henri Nouwen was a Dutch-born Catholic priest and a psychologist as well as spiritual guide and writer. He wrote about faith, spiritual development, prayer and other aspects of our journey with God. He was skilled in helping people understand they are beloved of God, giving and receiving forgiveness, growing in hope and accepting one's limitations. Suggested offering \$260.00. For details, please call Jonathan Fowler 905-634-0248, or Fiona (at Manresa), 905-839-2864. Registration: online: manresa-canada.ca or by email manresaregistration@outlook.com

RENOVATION FUND COLLECTION: We would like to encourage everyone to support our Renovation Funds, please use the HVAC or the monthly Building fund envelopes.

SPIRITUAL ACTIVITIES OF PRAYER LIFE: St. Raphael's Church is blessed to have a Perpetual **Adoration Chapel** for prayer and reflection. We encourage everyone to use the newly renovated chapel for prayer, adoration and reflection. The Door to enter the Adoration Chapel opens at 6:30am and closes at 9:00pm. If you would like to access the chapel after hours, please contact the parish office to register.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND ROSARY: From Monday to Friday, the chapel is open for Daily Morning Prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours at 8:15am followed by the recitation of the Holy Rosary at 8:30am. We encourage everyone to make this year of the Jubilee of Hope one in which to grow in your prayer life.

YOUTH GROUP (TEENAGERS 12 – 19): We thank the youth group for taking leadership in active participation of the Mass on First Saturdays of the Month. They lead the Rosary at 4:30pm and participate in the liturgy as Lectors, Choir, and Ushers. After mass they join in Faith formation and youth activities. We encourage all the youth to register for the Youth Group.

YOUNG ADULTS' GROUP (AGES 20 – 35 YEARS): We thank the young adults who continue to actively participate in our church activities. They meet on 3rd Saturdays of the Month and look after the choir for the Mass. After the Mass they will lead Adoration and Faith Formation activities. We encourage all Young Adults (single and married couples) to register for the Young Adults group. Our next Young Adults' Mass is on Saturday **January 18**. The Theme for the evening is "Unity in Christ". The evening will begin with the movie on Dietrich "Bonhoeffer" and follow with discussion and pizza. Please fill in the form at the back of the church, if you would like to join in the Young Adults' activities.

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO PORTUGAL, SPAIN, FRANCE, MONACO & ITALY: Fr. Emmanuel will be leading a 16-day pilgrimage to Europe from October 2 – 17, 2025. This trip will include visits to Fatima, Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela, Assisi, Rome and the Vatican. For more information, please see the brochures in the parish lobby. To register contact QS Travel and Tours at 905-412-2242 or group@qstours.com

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE: We would like to renew our Hospitality Committee as we begin the new liturgical year of Pilgrims of Hope. Committee members will welcome new parishioners and assist during the liturgical celebration with ushering and offertory collection. Thank you for your support in welcoming new members to our Parish Community. Please sign up using the sheet in the parish lobby if you are interested in becoming part of this ministry.

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