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

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Catherine Osborne - Office Administrator

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SPES UNICA

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
- St. Paul's Elementary
905.632.1424


ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HOTLINE
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 27, 9am	† Antonio Pepe
Tue. Jan 28, 9am	Thx. Marion & Chris Hettiarachchi
Wed. Jan 29, 9am	Thx. Francisca Domingo
Thu. Jan 30, 9am	Brigitte Gawlina
† Ed Castellano	† Mary Germann
† Jackie, Lily, Billy & Taryn Thomson	
Fri Jan 31, 9am	† Jill Olds
Sat Feb 1, 5pm	† Adilie Coimbra
† Tony Florio	† Roy Pletch
† Damien Hough	† Souls in Purgatory
Sun. Feb 2, 9am	† Franco Biello
Sun. Feb 2, 11am	For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

January 19, 2025

Envelopes (161)	\$3,299
Loose	\$781
Pre-Authorized Giving (85)	\$8,763

Thank you for your generous support

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

Please pray for:

Cristina Perron Rafael Tudares
Names on this list will remain for a period of four weeks to allow space for other names. Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Please pick up your box of 2025 donation envelopes in the parish lobby. Please note, to reduce waste many envelope numbers have changed for the coming year. **Please do not use any envelopes from previous years for your donations to ensure that you receive the credit for your donation.** For assistance, please contact the office.

YOUTH GROUP (TEENAGERS 12 – 19): We thank the youth group 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, Ushers. After the Mass they join in the Faith formation and youth activities. We encourage all the youth to register for the Youth Group.



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.

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 29.** Each session will be approximately 90 minutes long.



ST. RAPHAEL'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GENERAL MEETING

February 4 at 7pm: Welcoming all women and members to join us for our first gathering of the Jubilee year in the (parish or St. Francis room).

Let's learn more about this year of Hope and what we will be doing to "Go make a difference".

More information contact Leony at 289-556- 6916

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.



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. Please bring your own beer, wine, pop to this event. 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.

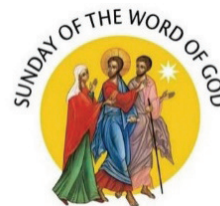
JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO PORTUGAL, SPAIN, FRANCE, MONACO & ITALY: Fr. Emmanuel will be leading a 16-day pilgrimage to Europe from October 2 – 17, 2025. This trip will include visits to Fatima, Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela, Assisi, Rome and the Vatican. For more information, please see the brochures in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

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. For the liturgy of hours we will be using IBreviary App, to pray: <https://www.proterrasancta.org/en/ibreviary-app>. We encourage everyone to make this year of the Jubilee of Hope one in which to grow in your prayer life.

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.



The Sunday of the Word of God is a profoundly pastoral initiative with which Pope Francis wants to make it clear how important it is in the daily life of the Church and our communities to refer to the Word of God, a Word that is not confined to a book, but which remains ever alive and becomes a concrete and tangible sign.

The motto chosen by the Holy Father for the 2025 edition, within the Jubilee Year, is a verse from Psalm 119, “I hope in your Word”. It is a cry of hope: we, in a moment of anguish, tribulation, and confusion, cry out to God and put all our hope in him. (Ref: <http://www.evangelizatio.va/>)

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.

Here is a helpful App to assist you with reading the bible using your cell phone: *Oremus – Catholic Bible & Prayer* https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.oremus.catholic.bible.rosary.prayer&hl=en_CA
Contact Fr. Wilson for more information.

45th ANNUAL ST. RAPHAEL'S MEN'S RETREAT: 14-16 March 2025, 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 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

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