

# ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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<b>OFFICE HOURS</b>	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](http://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


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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](http://HamiltonDiocese.com) Catholics Come Home [www.CatholicsComeHome.org](http://www.CatholicsComeHome.org)  
Vocations [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

**Mass Intentions** 

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

Mon. Nov 18, 9am	† Marie Arsenault
Tue. Nov 19, 9am	Mary McCarthy
Wed. Nov 20, 9am	† Nida Asparin
Thu. Nov 21, 9am	† Mary Germann
† Lois McLaughlin	† Diane Dawson-Amorim
† Jill Olds	† Giovanni Marcantonio
† Patricia Daycroft	† Janet Lynch
Fri Nov. 22, 9am	† Bernice Theurer
Sat Nov 23, 5pm	Rina & Jonathan Fowler
Isabel Hartmann	Dave Pinheiro & Family
Hlg. Chris Noon	† Tersa Garribo
† Kees Wentges	† Pat & John Taylor
† Claudio Mendez	† Nora Braganza
Sun. Nov 24, 9am	For Our Parishioners
Sun. Nov 24, 11am	† Marconi Gabito

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

November 10, 2024

Envelopes (148) \$3400  
Loose \$630

*Thank you for your generous support*

**CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT SIGN-UP:** There will be a Christmas Eve Pageant featuring the children of our parish at the Christmas Eve 5pm mass. We are asking families with children wishing to participate in the **Christmas Eve Pageant** to sign-up using the sheet in the parish lobby.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LEBANON RELIEF:**



Support for Christians in Lebanon is crucial during this war. Ontario Knights of Columbus have been supporting Christians in Lebanon and the Middle East for many years. All funds from your donations will go to Christians in Lebanon & the Middle East. Tax receipts are available. Please visit [www.christianrefugeerelief.org/initiatives](http://www.christianrefugeerelief.org/initiatives) and select where you would like your donation to apply. Make your cheque out to: **Knights of Columbus Ontario Charity Foundation**, write in the memo line which initiative you would like your donation to support. Please include your address and email (Tax receipts will be issued) Send your cheques by post to: **Ontario Christian Refugee Relief Director, 6428 Yonge Street, Centerpoint 37150, Toronto, Ontario, M2M 4J8.**

**THE SACRAMENTS:** The great sacraments of the Church—Baptism, Confirmation, the Eucharist, Reconciliation, the Anointing of the Sick, Matrimony, and Holy Orders—have endured for thousands of years and structured countless lives. Everything in the Church’s life comes from and returns to them, but there is far more to these ancient rites than meets the eye. In this series, Bishop Barron looks at the great sacraments of the Church in all their theological depth, spiritual effects, and pastoral promise. The Sacraments will help you understand these signs and channels of grace and discover the secret behind their persistence down the ages: the presence and power of the Savior himself. The programme runs for three Wednesday Nights from **November 20 to December 4** starting at 7:00pm and ending at 9:00pm. A preview is available at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qcgjhi1TghA>

**TREE OF HOPE:** Our Tree of Hope for the Good Shepherd is in the church lobby and your gifts will be gathered until Nov. 30.



Your generosity to this cause over the years has been overwhelming; yet each year we see more families in need. There are so many worthy causes that it is hard to give to all, but if you can, your gifts will give many families a joyful Christmas.

As in the past it will be P.J.s for boys, girls, men and women, toys for tots, make-up for teens and gift cards. Please take a tag off the tree, purchase the item on the tag and bring it **UNWRAPPED** along with the tag and place it in the basket provided, or drop items off at Charlie’s @ 664 Cumberland, 905-681-6221. We do pick up as well.

**PATIENTLY WAITING: NURTURING HOPE IN**



**ADVENT** - The St. Raphael’s Catholic Women’s League invites all women to attend an Advent retreat on **Tuesday, Dec. 3 starting at 7pm** in the parish hall led by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett (Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of

Hamilton). Join us to reflect on how, in Advent, we patiently wait for Christ. We will look at the many ways we prepare for Christmas and the wonderful things God has provided for his beloved. Advent can be a time of hope when we remember the real reason for the season! **Join us – all women are welcome.** For more information, please contact Leony Hettinger [leonyh87@gmail.com](mailto:leonyh87@gmail.com) 289-556-6916

**FUNERAL LUNCHEON COMMITTEE:** The Funeral Luncheon Ministry is in need of volunteers. Positions for phoning, set-up, serving and cleanup need to be filled. If you can spare an hour to three hours, on occasion, please consider this ministry. For more details, please call Marlene Cox: 905-634-0733.



**CHILDREN'S ADVENT PARTY:** Please join us on Saturday, Dec. 7, in the Parish Centre, from 1:30 to 3pm. All children, up to grade 3 are invited for crafts, cookie decorating, treats, and a visit from someone special. FREE admission with a non-perishable food item. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. To ensure we are prepared for all, please RSVP to Charlie at: [bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca](mailto:bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca) or call 905-681-6221.

### FIRST COMMUNION INFORMATION

**EVENING:** Parents who have signed their children up for First Reconciliation & First Communion taking place in the spring of 2025 at St. Raphael parish are reminded to attend one of our First Communion information evenings either on **November 18 OR November 19**, at **7pm** in the church.



**SAFE FOOD HANDLING EDUCATION & CERTIFICATION:** We are pleased to tell you that our Parish Hall Kitchen has recently passed the Halton Region Health Inspection.

In order to abide by the Halton Region Public Health Rules: Any parish events put on by any parish ministry or organization which includes food will require at least one member of the team working in the kitchen to have completed a Food Safety Education course, passed the test, and acquired their certification within the past five years.

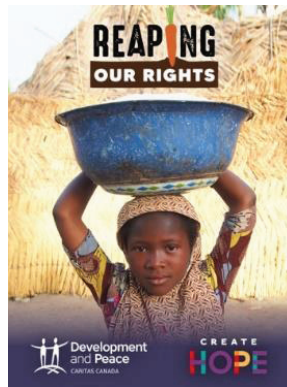
On **Monday, December 2**, from 9am – 4pm in the parish hall we are offering a **Safe Food Handling Education Training** followed by a multiple-choice examination. Participants scoring 70% or higher on the examination will receive their Safe Food Handling Certification. For our parish ministry volunteers there will be no cost to attend. The course is also open to parishioners who are not part of one of our ministries, for these individuals the cost to participate is \$38. Please register by phoning the parish office 905-637-2346 or emailing [straphaelburlington@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:straphaelburlington@hamiltondiocese.com)

**MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH:** There is much written these days about the positive effects on people, emotionally, mentally and physically, when they learn to develop an attitude of gratitude. This is true for marriage as well. When we learn to see our spouses as those we have a high regard for, we look at our spouse with a different set of eyes. We place great value in their attributes, those things they bring to the family and to us, and we learn to find moments every day of thankfulness for their gifts and presence in our lives. Life is about choices, choose gratitude for your spouse (on purpose) and life will be so much happier for both of you. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

**CONCERT & FORMAL DINNER:** The young adults of our parish are organizing a musical evening with a formal dinner & dance on **Saturday, December 14, at 6:30pm**, in the parish hall. Tickets are limited, please purchase yours in the parish lobby after all weekend masses.

**TRIP TO PERU; MACHU PICCHU & LAKE TITICACA:** Father Wilson will be leading a cultural discovery trip to Peru from September 14 – 23, 2025. This small group tour is being offered exclusively to parishioners and friends of St. Raphael Parish up until January 2025, when it will be released and advertised to the general public. The activity level for this trip is a level 4 which means participants should be leading active lifestyles with walking, biking, and half- or full-day hikes, with 10,000 steps a day or more being a normal day. Please find all the details in the brochure in the parish lobby. For more information, please contact Michelle Matthews, 905-510-8853, [mimatthews@expediacruz.com](mailto:mimatthews@expediacruz.com)

**DEVELOPMENT & PEACE: Thank you for participating in the *Reaping our Rights* campaign**



Thousands of Canadians [signed the petition](#) for the *Create Hope: Reaping our Rights* campaign in solidarity with the peasant farmers who feed the world and care for the Earth.

We continue to collect signatures across the country until **April 17, 2025**. After that, a delegation from Development and Peace — Caritas Canada will take the signatures to Ottawa to ensure that the Canadian government heeds our call for **mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence legislation**.

Thank you for your continued commitment and mobilization!

- ♥ To **sign up** and support the campaign, visit [devp.org/act](https://devp.org/act).
- ✓ To **become a member** and support the mission, visit [devp.org/joinus](https://devp.org/joinus).

**PREPARING FOR THE JUBILEE:** Msgr. Kroetsch and Christina Mines will be hosting preparation sessions for Adult Faith Formation Leaders in anticipation of the Jubilee of Hope beginning on December 24, 2024. This is an important moment in the life of the Church! Four brief sessions will be offered around the Diocese of Hamilton throughout the month of November to equip pastoral leaders for adult programming initiatives throughout the Jubilee year. All are welcome to participate. For registration and more information contact:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2024/10/preparing-for-the-jubilee-a-planning-day-for-pastoral-leaders/> .

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