## ST RAPHAEL PARISH COMMUNITY

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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 year in advance.

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.

# SACRAMENTS BAPTISMS & BECOMING ROMAN CATHOLIC

- For newborns, any weekend Mass.
- For school aged children, after being catechized.
- For adults interested in becoming Roman Cathoic 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. Sept 30, 9am	† Fernando Amorim
Tue. Oct 1, 9am	Evelyn Lamando
Wed. Oct 2, 9am	† Sheila Correa
Thu. Oct 3, 9am	Nancy Laver
† Tony Florio	† Joseph Felice
† Tomaso Zambri	† Clare Penfold
Thu. Oct 3, 10:30am	St. Paul School Mass
Fri Oct 4, 9am	† Shirley McConnell
Fri. Oct 4, 6:30pm	† Sheila Correa
Sat Oct 5, 5pm	Fiona Martin
Thx. Santiago Family	Nelson Pinheiro & Family
† Catherine Fetterly	† Donald Livingstone
† Stefania Stefaniak & Ludwig Majta	
Sun. Oct 6, 9am	† John & Agnes Goncalves
Sun. Oct 6, 11am	For Our Parishioners

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September 22, 2024

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**ROSARY MAKING GROUP:** This small Rosary Making Group will resume meeting on Fridays at **10:15am** in the St.

Francis Room. Materials and instruction on how to make rosaries are provided. We would like to grow this group since we are taking on a special project: to provide all of Assumption High School students with a rosary in their

school colours of blue and white. We need lots of help from beginners to experts alike. Everyone is welcome. For more information, please contact Sylvia Heald, 905-632-4862.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:** Dear Ladies of the Catholic Women's League; we have a table for the Christmas Bazar being held in November.

In preparation, we are having a <u>working</u> party at Charlie's house on Sunday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. If you would like to take part in stuffing, taping or gluing items please contact Leony @ <u>leonyh87@gmail.com</u> or 289-556-6916 (note new phone number) or Charlie @ 905-681-6221, or <u>bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca</u>

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH?" Then maybe Bishop Robert Barron's "THE CREED" is for you? In The Creed, a film series blending Documentary conversations and dynamic talks, Bishop Robert Barron guides viewers into the depths of the Nicene Creed.

Sessions continue in our Parish Hall on **Wednesday evenings** (from 7 to 9 pm) and consist of a video presentation, faith sharing and small group discussion designed to help participants rediscover the great intellectual and spiritual depths of Christian doctrine and reclaim the unity, clarity, and conviction of the Christian faith. The topic for this Wednesday will be **God, the Father Almighty.** View an introduction at

https://youtu.be/EoT8g8zn4y4?si=FTmx9ggXXy2ViJm0

**ALTAR SERVERS DAY – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6<sup>th</sup> AT 11am MASS:** We would like invite all the Altar Servers for a Thanksgiving Mass on **Sunday, October 6**, at **11am.** During this mass we will have special blessings with the Commissioning Service and information session after the Mass, followed by a Pizza Lunch in the Parish Hall.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO CLEAN PARISH KITCHEN:** The parish centre and kitchen have now been completely renovated. The kitchen needs a deep clean. Volunteers are required to wash all the insides of the cupboards and dishes, etc. in the kitchen, bar area and pantry. If you could help for a few hours starting the week of Sept 29 from 1:30 to 4:00 approximately please contact Marlene Cox 905-634-0733 Thank you

**PRAYER GROUP FOR TEENAGERS:** We encourage teenagers from ages 14-17 to join an open prayer session in the church for Rosary at 6pm followed by youth activities. The first meeting is on **Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.** Together we will be learning our catechism, catholic teaching and reflecting on the gospels. We will be going out to the community, helping those who need Jesus most especially those in retirement homes, and helping with the Children's liturgy on Sundays. Come join us! For more information, please contact Fiona Martin 647-801-9708

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION: We are now



welcoming registrations for First Reconciliation and First Communion in 2025 for grade 2 students at St. Raphael and St. Paul Elementary Schools. Have a PDF of the child's baptism certificate

ready to upload and register online at: <a href="straphaels.ca/1st-communion/">straphaels.ca/1st-communion/</a> If your child is in the public system, or a private non-Catholic school, and would like to join in our parish celebration of these sacraments, please contact the parish office.

## CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION: We are now



welcoming registrations for Confirmation in 2025 for grade 7 students at St. Raphael and St. Paul Elementary Schools. Have a PDF of the candidate's baptism certificate ready to upload and register online at: <a href="mailto:straphaels.ca/confirmation/">straphaels.ca/confirmation/</a> If your child is in

the public system, or a private non-Catholic school and would like to join in our parish Confirmation celebration, please contact the parish office.

## PARISH VISION - MISSION STATEMENT: St. Raphael Parish is a Christ Centered Family

Values: Hope, Faith, Love



St. Raphael Parish is a *Christ Centered Family* where we: Value our unity in diversity and **Welcome** everyone. Joyfully celebrate **Liturgy** and participate in the Sacraments. Provide a safe sacred circle for spiritual growth by **Faith Formation**. Respond to the call to serve through our **Compassionate Action**.

**Reflection:** St. Raphael Parish is a *Christ Centered family* within God's people representing all ages, races, cultures and stages of life. As **one baptised family of God**, and becoming sisters and brothers, we **welcome** everyone and celebrate our unity in diversity within God's love.

Prompted by the call of the Good News of Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, all are encouraged to take full and active participation in the proclamation of our faith, by worshiping God through our prayer life, **liturgical celebration** and sacramental life of the church.

Our sacred family is a sanctuary for the human spirit where all members join in the **faith formation** through promoting the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We grow in care and concern for others, and our personal and spiritual development is fostered within the holistic wellbeing of all members.

Through our **call to service**, we are committed to respond to the needs of our parish members and the society. We are called to be in solidarity with people who suffer, and to work and act together for the fullness of life through our **Compassionate Action** as God's healing ministers in the world.

Thank you for your suggestions, please let us know your thoughts and opinions on the Parish Vision-Mission Statements and Priorities of our community.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** If you are new to our parish or have moved recently, please take the time to complete our Parish Registration Form available in the parish lobby. We are using these forms to keep our parishioner database up-to-date. We thank all our many parishioners who have already submitted the registration form.

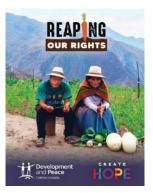
HOME EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY MEETING INVITATION: Attention Home Eucharistic Ministry members: Please join us on Wednesday, October 16, at 6:30pm in the St. Francis Room for our upcoming meeting. We also welcome any parishioners interested in exploring this Ministry to attend. As Saint Teresa of Calcutta said, "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." To register, kindly reach out to John Fauteux at 905-635-2586.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEN'S RETREAT: A Men's Retreat Night will be sponsored by the Burlington Knights of Columbus Council 5073 on the evening of October 15<sup>th</sup>, starting at 7pm in the parish hall. We will be reflecting on a "Universal Call to Holiness" Our guest speaker will be Fr. Ranjan D'Sa, pastor of St. Dominic Parish in Oakville. We encourage all men of St. Raphael and St. Patrick congregations to join us for this fraternal evening. Refreshments will be provided. For further information, please email Rennie Milne at wmilne3473@sympatico.ca

#### **DIOCESAN VOCATIONS MONTH - OCTOBER 2024:**

Bishop Crosby has designated October as Diocesan Vocations Month. Each Sunday we will have an intercession for vocations and before the end of Mass we will pray together a prayer for vocations. You are also encouraged to pray for vocations throughout the month. Moreover, if you know someone who you think should consider a particular vocation, such as marriage, priesthood or consecrated virginity lived in the world, be sure to tell that person. Mary, Mother of Vocations, pray for us! For more information about vocations, visit:

https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/.



JOIN DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE — CARITAS CANADA'S CAMPAIGN WORKSHOP: This fall, as we continue our *Create Hope: Reaping our Rights* campaign, we will encounter peasant and rural communities who care for the Earth and feed the world. In solidarity with them, we will call on Canada to adopt mandatory

**human rights and environmental due diligence legislation,** so that no Canadian company can trample on their rights.

To learn more, attend the workshop on **Tuesday October 8**<sup>th</sup> at 6pm <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtdu-prz4oH9MURBCUUhTZS5vIDq9c9wtw">https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtdu-prz4oH9MURBCUUhTZS5vIDq9c9wtw</a> For more information, please contact: <a href="mailto:cecilia\_racine@hotmail.com">cecilia\_racine@hotmail.com</a> or visit devp.org/campaign.



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