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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.

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.

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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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Monday, May 20 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Bev Butler

Tuesday, May 21 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Patricia Taylor

Wednesday, May 22 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Ron Robillard

Thursday, May 23 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Paul & Margaret Lafontaine; Ints. Frances Wentges;
+ Anthony Musitano; + Christina Sobra;
+ Joseph Valvasori; + Justin Svazas

Friday, May 24 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Robert Ravenscroft

Saturday, May 25 at 5:00 p.m.
Ints. MaryAnne Zetts;
+ Chomyshyn & Boulais Family; + Dan McBain

Sunday, May 26
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners
11:00 a.m. + Norma Clarke

Please pray for the following:

John Scharer	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
Mary Berry	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
Doug Pudsey	Sarah Scharer	Gonzalez
Frances Wentges	Jim Singer	Milan Heck
Peggy Evans	Elizabeth Talatala	Helen Weppler
Jill Ascah	Asia Rae Landry	Jane Urquhart
Lee Olds	Noah Landry	Laith Yousif
Stephen Pustai	Sr. Rosalie Siegler	Mary Lilly
Michael Smart	Alison Zierl	Vincent Stanford
Kyle Elliott	Sarah LaFontaine	Bill & Lucie
Karen Beeho	Rosario Herve	Jennings
Harvey & Pat	Jill Olds	Paul LaFontaine
Malcolm	Joanne Pringle	Frank Clarke
Elizabeth Elder	Cathy Moore	Marie Bond
Michael Colameco	Aileen Smith	Sandra Beyer
Tony Hymes	Robert Connelly	

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, May 12 TH	- Envelopes (250)	\$5298.00
	- Good Friday Offering (1)	\$7.00
	- Pope's Pastoral Work (1)	\$20.00
	- Loose	\$1137.00
	- Accessibility (71)	\$1215.00



Thank you for your continued support!

The **Fifth Sunday of Easter** brings us stories from **Acts of the Apostles** of Paul and Barnabas and their work in the early church. They spread the good news to the Gentiles and then "called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles." **John's Gospel** returns to the Last Supper. Jesus gives his followers a new way of life: "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER
Pope Francis writes: "Each year sees the disappearance of thousands of plant and animal species which we

will never know, which our children will never see, because they have been lost forever. The great majority of animal species including insects, become extinct for reasons related to human activity. Because of us, thousands of species will no longer give glory to God by their very existence, nor convey their message to us. We have no such right."
Laudato si #33

World Bee Day May 20th What would happen if bees became extinct? Where would we be without bees?
* We may lose all the plants that bees pollinate, all of the animals that eat those plants and so on up the food chain. Which means a world without bees could struggle to sustain the global human population of 7 billion. Our supermarkets would have half the amount of fruit and vegetables. It gets worse. We are losing bees at an alarming rate. Possible reasons include the loss of flower meadows, the crab-like varroa mite that feasts on their blood, climate change, and use of pesticides.

* *Bees are indispensable pollinators of most ecosystems. There are 369,000 flowering plant species, and 90% of them are dependent on insect pollination. Usually, a honeybee can visit 50-1000 flowers in one trip. Therefore, if each bee takes ten trips a day, a colony with 25,000 forager bees can pollinate 250 million flowers in a day. Many species of animals depend on bees for their survival because their food source, including nuts, berries, seeds, and fruits, relies on insect pollination. Pollination not only makes food available for other organisms but also allows floral growth, which provides habitats for animals, including other insects and birds.*
In the words of A. Einstein, "life without these insects would be a global disaster. Man would have only four years of life left. No more bees, no more pollination, no more plants, no more animals, no more man"

IN OUR PARISH



OFFICE CLOSED: Please note the parish office will be closed on Victoria Day, Monday, May 20th. Happy Victoria Day!



CWL GENERAL MEETING: will be held on **Tues. May 21st at 7:15 pm** in the parish centre. We have a few exciting events to discuss; namely the Fashion Show on Thursday, May 23rd and the Trip to St. Michael's on Tuesday, June 18th. We will need to vote on our charitable donations and discuss the location and date for our June dinner. For more information, please call Helen Sheehan at 905-634-7481.



ST. RAPHAEL CWL SPRING FLING: Thursday May 23rd at 7 pm. View and try on fashion by NYGARD, plus receive a 10 % discount for all orders. Enjoy refreshments, DESSERTS and visit our REPEAT BOUTIQUE featuring gently used jewellery and handbags; plus, door prizes. For tickets contact Charlie at bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca or 905-681-6221.

FROM BURLINGTON TO BROADWAY A GALA

FUNDRAISER CONCERT: Adrienne Pieczonka and Gregory Dahl are giving a concert to raise funds for St. Raphael parish! Adrienne is a Burlington girl! She graduated from St. Raphael School, worshiped with her family at St. Raphael church and sang in St. Raphael's choir. She went to Europe to study voice/music and became very, very famous. In Vienna she is known and loved like a "rock star". Her concerts at Carnegie Hall and the "Met" are sold out events. Let us fill **St. Raphael church** to overflowing for this once in a lifetime gala on **June 8th at 7:30 pm**. To purchase tickets please visit www.SouthernOntarioLyricOpera.com. Tickets can only be purchased on line, if you need help to purchase these tickets on line please contact the parish office.

2019 BIBLE CAMP: July 8 – 12 Registration forms are available on the bulletin board at our parish entrance and on our parish website: www.straphaels.ca **All registration forms must be received by in the parish office by Monday June 24th.**

ALTAR SERVERS AWARDS: on **May 15, Grace Starcevic, Stefan Hoover, and Michael Strojny**, from our parish received the Bishop's Award for Service from Bishop Crosby during the 36th Annual Altar Servers Awards Ceremony at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. We congratulate them for this deserved recognition!



BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC: Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Are you a Catholic who has not received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation, or do you know someone who is a Catholic but has not received these Sacraments? Then maybe the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the place for you or them. Every year thousands of adults are welcomed into the Roman Catholic Church through the RCIA process. The RCIA is a series of instructions, faith development and rituals designed to help adults and older children become full members of the Catholic Church. Classes begin in early September and end on the Feast of Pentecost. For more information please contact the parish office at 905-637-2346.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

WALK FOR LIFE: Will you walk with Halton Alive? Commemorate the 100,000 unborn lives lost to abortion every year in Canada and reaffirm our commitment to supporting women in unplanned pregnancies with each step on **Sat. June 1st from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm** at **Burlington Christian Fellowship** (2054 Mountainside Drive). A pro-life fundraiser the whole family can enjoy! BBQ lunch, t-shirt and kids games included. **\$20 /ticket**, 12 and under are free (includes registration, walk and BBQ). Join a team or create your own at www.haltonalive.ca/w4 Help raise funds to support pro-life education in Halton!

2019 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF TOURNAMENT: Join for a relaxed day of golf, socializing with friends and raise funds to help those less fortunate in our community. **Tues. June 4th** at Lowville Golf Club in Burlington. **Registration & Lunch 11 am**, Scramble / Shotgun start at 1 pm sharp. **\$160 per player**. You can register and pay online, KoC5073-Events.ca or drop off registration info (name, phone # and cheque payable to 'K of C 5073') to our Columbus Hall mailbox 2400 Industrial St. For more information please contact Jim McCarthy 905-336-3811 or email: mjmccarthy83@hotmail.com or call the Knights of Columbus hall at 905-335-5073.

MEMORIAL MASS AT GATE OF HEAVEN CEMETERY: On Sat. **June 8th at 11 am**, Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton, will celebrate the annual Memorial Mass at **Gate of Heaven Cemetery**, 580 Old York Road (at Snake Road), Burlington. For more info, please visit www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca or call 905-690-7547. All are welcome!

8TH ANNUAL HCCEF CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC: on Wed. **June 12th**. Help students & families in need. The tournament is at Piper's Heath in south Milton. All are welcome. Golfers, sponsors & prizes are needed. Sign up TODAY at www.hccef.org. If golf is not your thing, consider attending dinner only, or donations are always welcome.



DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at **1:30 pm on Sunday, June 9th, 2019** at **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King**. The Mass is for couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th year (or more) of marriage **in the year 2019**. To register please take a registration sheet from the poster on the bulletin board in the main foyer of our church or register on-line at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

VOCATIONS: The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton call 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com. To join Holy Cross Fathers please speak with Father Francis or visit www.holycrossvocationscanada.com.



SUNDAY FUNNY: A little boy opened the big and old family Bible with fascination; he looked at each of the old pages as he turned them. Then something fell out of the Bible, he picked it up and looked at it closely. It was an old leaf from a tree that had been pressed in between pages. "Momma, look what I found," the boy called out. "What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked. With astonishment in the young boy's voice he answered: "It's Adam's suit!"

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