

# 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  
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](http://www.TheCatholicCemeteries.ca)

## PARISH SCHOOLS

- Assumption High School  
905.634.1835
- St. Raphael's Elementary  
905.637.3810
- St. Paul's Elementary  
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## 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*

The Diocese of Hamilton [HamiltonDiocese.com](http://HamiltonDiocese.com) Holy Cross Vocations [www.holycrossvocationscanada.com](http://www.holycrossvocationscanada.com)  
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## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



**Monday, November 25** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Kelly M<sup>c</sup>Bane-Bertin

**Tuesday, November 26** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Paul M. LaFontaine

**Wednesday, November 27** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Chester & Sylvia Gzik

**Thursday, November 28** at 9:00 a.m.  
Ints. Tania Bracho;  
+ Frank Freiburger; + Meco Poliziani;  
+ Hank Forani; + Paul M. LaFontaine

**Friday, November 29** at 9:00 a.m.  
+ Paul M. LaFontaine

**Saturday, November 30** at 5:00 p.m.  
+ John Finlayson; + Gary Benedet;  
+ Paul M. LaFontaine; + Amy Penfold;  
+ Rita Olmstead; + Jim Gregory

**Sunday, December 1**  
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners  
11:00 a.m. + Angelo and Joyce Carlin



**ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER**  
*"The ecological question must not be faced solely because of the frightening prospects that environmental destruction represents; rather it must above all become a strong motivation for an authentic solidarity of worldwide dimensions."*  
*(Compendium of Social Doctrine of the Church, 486)*

Ecological Conversion: A New Vision of Love!  
Solidarity is a special form of love. It asks us to care for all the members of our human family unconditionally. It becomes increasingly difficult to experience this form of love when the structures of society place profit and the accumulation of wealth over the wellbeing of the planet and its people. When this becomes our driving purpose, we are pulled away from one another and God's Creation. Pope Francis calls us to undergo an ecological conversion. The word ecology comes from the Greek "oikos", which means "home" or "place to live." Should not our common home be a sustainable one, where humankind and nature live in mutual respect and in dignity, and all can benefit equally from the bounty of Creation, as God intended? How do we restore its splendor when we have become so disconnected from its gifts? Home is where the heart is and that is where the transformation must happen first. ("For Our Common Home: Development and Peace")

**What can we do?** We can embrace solidarity with the poorest and least of our brothers and sisters in the world by opening our hearts to listen to and support those who are suffering. By signing the solidarity letters, we can send messages of hope to those who are experiencing the worst aspects of climate change and suffering the destruction of Our Common Home.

**Sign@devp.org/pledge** or see the folder on the Social Justice Board in the parish.

***Please pray for the following:***

John Scharer	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
Mary Berry	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
Doug Pudsey	Sarah Scharer	Gonzalez
Peggy Evans	Jim Singer	Milan Heck
Jill Ascah	Elizabeth Talatala	Helen Weppler
Lee Olds	Asia Rae Landry	Jane Urquhart
Stephen Pustai	Noah Landry	Laith Yousif
Michael Smart	Alison Zierl	Mary Lilly
Kyle Elliott	Sarah LaFontaine	Vincent Stanford
Karen Beeho	Rosario Herve	Lucie Jennings
Pat Malcolm	Jill Olds	Frank Clarke
Elizabeth Elder	Joanne Pringle	Marie Bond
Michael Colameco	Aileen Smith	Sandra Beyer
Joseph & Madeleine Zucco	Robert Connelly	Tony Hymes
Ron Robertson	Jones Rodney	Helen Sheehan

*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, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> - Envelopes (242) \$4928.00  
- Loose \$439.00

***Thank you for your continued support!***

Sunday is the **Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** and the last week of the liturgical year. As always on this last Sunday, we celebrate the **Solemnity of Christ the King**. The readings remind us of God's faithfulness to us as he promises to shepherd the people of Israel. In **Luke's Gospel** we are taken to the crucifixion and Jesus being mocked as "King of the Jews." The man crucified next to him asks Jesus to remember him when he gets into his Kingdom. Jesus replies, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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**IN OUR PARISH**



**CHRISTIANS ON A JOURNEY:** Everyone is welcome to attend. For any questions, please call Wilma or Frank 905-870-0641.

\*Wednesday, **November 27** - Speaker on "Diversity and Strength" - **Port Nelson** (3132 South Drive) - **7pm**

\*Monday, **December 9** - Fellowship and Prayer - **Appleby United** - **7:30pm**

\*Monday, **January 19** starts the "World Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" times and places TBA

\*Sunday, **January 26** - Speaker on "From Refugee to Resettlement" - **Port Nelson** (3132 South Drive) - **12:30pm**

**JOURNEY OF FAITH:** Please join us every **Wednesday** from **7pm to 8pm** in our **Parish Centre** for our Journey of Faith sessions. On **November 27**, come to grow in the knowledge of the **Liturgy Calendar**. We will discuss the meaning and importance of each season in the liturgical calendar; how different colours give meaning to these seasons; and how readings are chosen for each year/season. All are welcome to attend.



**THE GOOD SHEPHERD TREE OF HOPE:** The Tree of Hope for the Good Shepherd is in our church foyer **until Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>**. Please take a tag from the tree and purchase the item on the tag and return it UNWRAPPED and place it in the box under the tree. **We will deliver the gifts on Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> to the Good Shepherd** for their Christmas distribution. Your past generosity has been well noted by the staff and families in need.

**LECTOR AND EUCHARIST MINISTRY WORKSHOPS:**  
**Lectors:** Thurs. Nov 28<sup>th</sup>, 7pm – 8pm in the church.  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Friday Nov 29<sup>th</sup>, 7pm - 8pm in the church.

**2020 LECTOR'S WORKBOOK:** Any Proclaimer of the Word who would like to purchase a Lector's Workbook for \$13 can order one by calling or emailing Patty McConnell at 905 333-9727, churchmouse48@gmail.com. Once the books are ordered and delivered you can pay for and pick up your book at the parish office.



**CHRISTIAN MOVIE NIGHT:** Every **first Monday of the month at 7pm** in our **Parish Centre** (until May). Join us on **Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>** for **"The Star"** rated PG-thematic elements. This very kid friendly American computer-animated Christian comedy film is based on the Nativity of Jesus.



**ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS:** Renew your Catholic Women's League membership before you leave for the sunny south! It is especially important to renew your membership for 2020 - our 100 Anniversary Year! What a wonderful privilege to belong to a women's organization that stands up for Catholic values. Place \$30 (cash or cheque made out to: St. Raphael's Catholic Women's League) in the CWL offertory blue envelope or in a plain envelope marked CWL with your full name; address; telephone # and email address. Place the CWL marked envelope in the regular collection at Mass. All memberships received before February 29<sup>th</sup>, will have an opportunity to win a \$30 Restaurant gift card. For more info, please email Charlotte Carpenter at [bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca](mailto:bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca) or call 905-681-6221.



**ADVENT HYMN FESTIVAL:** The Diocesan Choir's annual Advent Hymn Festival will take place **Sun. Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>**, at **St. Raphael Parish at 7pm**. Come celebrate the Advent Season with prayer, scripture, and song.

**NEW SUNDAY MISSALS:** If you would like your own copy of the 2019-2020 Sunday Missal please purchase them in the Religious Article Store after Mass for \$5.

**CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING:** Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2020 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

**2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:** Please pick up your envelopes in the parish entrance, by the elevator. Forms to enroll in our Pre-Authorized Giving Plan are also available. For assistance please contact the parish office.

## IN OUR COMMUNITY

**10,000 FLAGS DISPLAY:** Hamilton ARPA chapter and Halton Alive will set up 10,000 flags (each flag representing 10 pre-born lives lost) as a powerful display and visual representation of the 100,000 pre-born lives lost to abortion every year in Canada. Please come to Rehoboth Canadian Reformed Church (1225 Dundas St, Burlington) on Sat. **Nov. 30** from **8:30am - 4pm**. Hot chocolate and refreshments provided! Families welcome! **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** to set-up flags at 8:30am, remove flags at 4pm, Prayer on site throughout the day and to Set-up refreshments. Please sign up by contacting Diana Schuols at 905-318-6870; [www.haltonalive.ca/flagdisplay](http://www.haltonalive.ca/flagdisplay)

**ADVENT REFLECTON:** **St. John's Church Burlington, Wed. Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 12 noon**. This day of reflection is open to all women of the community. The facilitator will be Father Bob Sims. Refreshments will be served. Registration is required by **Mon. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>**. The cost is **\$10** with registration. Phone Marie Arponen 905-637-1677 please make cheque payable to St. John's CWL.

**ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA FUNDRAISER DINNER: Sat. Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>**, at **Saint John Parish Hall**, (2016 Blairholm Ave.) after the **5pm Mass**. Come support future pilgrims, enjoy the fellowship of pilgrims and learn more about this annual walking pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario. Tickets will be sold at the door, **\$12/person, and \$6/child under 10 years old**.



**CANDY CANES FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN: Help spread good cheer with Halton Alive Throughout December.** Halton Alive will distribute 5000 postcards with a positive, life-affirming message and candy canes. Volunteers needed: participate as a family, friend group, youth group or church group. Each kit will have all the materials and instructions you need. Sign-up for your free kit today! Sign-up online [www.haltonalive.ca/ccflvolunteers](http://www.haltonalive.ca/ccflvolunteers) or contact Tawnya Stanus 905-632-3232. As you make your year-end donations please consider the pro-life educational work of Halton Alive that guides our youth and community to make life-affirming choices.

**SUNDAY FUNNY:**



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