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OFFICE HOURS Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

3:30 PM - 6:30 PM Saturday 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

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM Saturday 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
- · 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

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bearers of good news and men and women seeking a good spouse.

See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

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Monday, February 17 at 9:00 a.m. + Mary Germann

Tuesday, February 18 at 9:00 a.m. Ints. Francis Foran

Wednesday, February 19 at 9:00 a.m. + Mary Germann

Thursday, February 20 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Brittney Montgomery;
+ Rocco Corona; + Dino Procopio; + John Bowen;
+ Ed Castellano; + Odir & Myrthes Ribeiro

Friday, February 21 9:00 a.m. + Jude Malone

Saturday, February 22 at 5:00 p.m. Ints. Jerry & Lillian Ponikvar; Ints. Heather Allen; + Edward Castellano; + Al Clarke; + Dan McBain

Sunday, February 23

9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners 11:00 a.m. + Mauro, Beatriz & Adelfa Santos

Please pray for the following:

John Scharer Nicola Izzi Barbara Kennedy Mary Berry Sarah Scharer Maritza Garcia Doug Pudsey Jim Singer Gonzalez Peggy Evans Elizabeth Talatala Milan Heck Jill Ascah Asia Rae Landry Helen Weppler Lee Olds Noah Landry Jane Urguhart Stephen Pustai Alison Zierl Laith Yousif Michael Smart Rosario Herve Mary Lilly Vincent Stanford Kyle Elliott Jill Olds Karen Beeho Joanne Pringle Lucie Jennings Pat Malcolm Aileen Smith Frank Clarke Elizabeth Elder Robert Connelly Marie Bond Michael Colameco Jones Rodney Ron Robertson Joseph & Madeleine Barbara Fisher Gary Olds Zucco Laurie Suddaby Helen Sheehan Heather Allen Frank Sicoli Rev. Fred Olds

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, Feb. 9th - Envelopes (225) \$4,678.00 - Loose \$415.00

- Seminary Education (10) \$147.00

Thank you for your continued support!

On the **Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time** we hear **Matthew's Gospel**. Jesus speaks to his followers about religious laws and also of our own relationships. Go to offer gifts to God at the altar, but first, Jesus says, "Leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift."

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ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER Pope Francis writes: "Love, overflowing with small gestures of mutual care, is also civic and

political, and it makes itself felt in every action that seeks to build a better world. Love for society and commitment to the common good are outstanding expressions of a charity which affects not only relationships between individuals but also "macrorelationships, social, economic and political ones." [157] PAUL VI, Message for the 1977 World Day of Peace: AAS 68 (1976), 709. Laudato Si # 231 Pope Francis does not use the term social justice. He leaps to the expression "civic and political love". Did you know? According to the United Nations Human Rights Council, Water is a human right and is not a commodity to be sold on the free market. The bottling and selling of water not only involves the production of plastic water bottles, but also turns water into a commodity to be sold in unimaginable quantities around the world and especially in areas of the world where clean drinking water is scarce. Millions of people in the world lack access to safe clean drinking water, therefore the selling of water for profit should be unacceptable to all of

Do you really know what Nestle is doing in Wellington County? We encourage you to watch the video in the link below and realize the big problem of water scarcity that we will be facing in a short period of time. Whenever possible refuse bottled water. Use a Refillable Water Bottle. Say No to Nestle: Water is for Life https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2bzgJuf11xM

IN OUR PARISH

FAMILY SKATING PARTY: St. Raphael Parish is hosting a free family skate at **Appleby Arena, Rink 1** (1201 Appleby Line, Burlington) on Family Day, **February 17**th,

from **12 pm to 1 pm**. Fr. Francis and Fr. Roshan invite you, your family and your friends to bring your own skates and enjoy this free event.

CWL: Please attend the CWL meeting on Tues.
Feb. 18th at 7:15pm in the Parish Centre.
Michele Forgione a CWL member and parishioner

will be presenting reflections on growing in trust and love of God through reading the Bible. All parishioners are welcomed to join. Bringing a Bible with you is suggested. Welcome to any new members or ladies interested in joining the Catholic Women's League. The Lenten project and our CWL Lenten faith journey will also be discussed.

JOURNEY OF FAITH: Please join us at **7pm** in the **Parish Centre** this **Wed. Feb. 19th** to explore God's Commandments and the Beatitudes.

TAX RECEIPTS: Annual tax receipt are available for pick up in the welcoming area by the elevator. *Please double check your name and address to ensure you are taking the correct envelope.* Envelopes that are not picked up will be mailed by February 18th.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake breakfast at our parish on Sunday, February 23rd following the 9am and 11am masses. Tickets are \$10 & children under 12 are free. All are welcome to attend!

ASH WEDNESDAY: On February 26th, Ash Wednesday, we will have Mass and Distribution of Ashes at 9am, 12 noon and 7pm. We will also have a prayer service at 10:45am at St. Paul School and 1:15pm in the church with St. Raphael School which will include the marking of ashes. All are welcome. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Friday at **7pm** during lent we will have the stations conducted by different ministries of our parish, followed by a Mass.

February 28th – Catholic Women's League March 6th - St. Vincent de Paul Society March 13th - The Lectors March 20th – Eucharist Ministers March 27th - Knights of Columbus April 3th – Social Justice Committee *On Good Friday (April 10th) we will have the dramatization of the stations at 8 pm.

confirmation class: Our 3rd confirmation class will take place on Monday March 2nd at 7pm in the parish centre. We ask all grade 7 students preparing for confirmation, to attend.

Confirmation Rite of Commitment will take place during all masses on the weekend of March 14th/15th for all grade 7 students enrolled for Confirmation with our parish this year.

MEN'S I GNATIAN RETREAT: March 20th – 22nd The 40th annual St Raphael Men's Retreat at Manresa, 2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering. The topic is "Rooted and Grounded in Love." The way of Redemption and Freedom by Fr. John Sullivan, S.J. For details call Jonathan Fowler 905-634-0248, or Fiona, 905-839-2864.

FORMED: Formed provides amazing, inspiring and engaging content 24/7 for you to grow in your Catholic faith. It's FREE and EASY to Register. Go to: https://straphaelparishburlington.formed.org. Under create a new account look for <u>our parish name</u> then click "Next". Enter your name and email address.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

THE BURLINGTON KofC "RELIVE THE BIG BAND SWING ERA": Sun. Feb. 23rd, 2pm to 4:30pm at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre. An afternoon of music "Relive the Swing Era" featuring the Toronto All-Star Big Band. \$45 per ticket. Reserve your seat by calling the BPAC box office at 905-681-6000 or by going to the website at www.burlingtonpac.ca.

WINTER ESCAPE MARKETPLACE: St. John's Church hall, 2016 Blairholme Ave, Burlington. Sat. Feb. 29th 10am to 2pm. Visit St. John church's vendors' marketplace! More than 20 vendors! Visit the tea room to enjoy tea and scones with preserves & Devonshire cream.

ST. JOHN'S CWL LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER: All women are invited to attend St. John's CWL Lenten Day of Prayer on **Tues. March 3rd**, **at St. John the Baptist Parish**, Burlington. The day begins with Mass at 9am and concludes with Benediction at 1:45pm. The facilitator is Father Peter Ciallella. The cost is **\$15** (includes lunch & refreshments. For more info. phone Marie 905-637-1677.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY: Sat. March 7th. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for youth. St. Paul the Apostle (2265 Headon Rd. Burlington) is organizing a bus to leave from their parking lot at a fee of \$5 per person. To take the bus and/or order tickets for this event at ST. PAUL church office. The payment for the bus (and for the ticket if you want one) MUST be made at the same time as you register. For more info call Celia Lobo, 905-319-2526.

LENTEN RETREAT: Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Stoney Creek will be hosting a Lenten Retreat with Rwandan Genocide Survivor 's message of FORGIVENESS, HEALING & HOPE. Witness the life-saving power of faith and the Rosary, as she huddled with 7 other women in a cramped bathroom for 91 days while killers lurked outside the door. Fri. March 13th, 4-9pm; Sat. March 14th, 8:30am-12:30pm. Registration: www.immaculee.com click on "shop/events" then select "Retreats".



Alive. March 27th-28th at St. George Church (4691 Palladium Way, Burlington). \$75/per ticket (early bird and group rates see website). This proceeding of Unplanted on

conference features a film screening of Unplanned on Friday night and Canadian Pro-life movement speakers on Saturday. Equip yourself with the knowledge and perspective to be an ambassador for life in your daily interactions. Details & registration: call/text 365-366-3232 or visit www.haltonalive.ca/lifetalks.

CALLING ALL GIRLS, MOTHER DAUGHTER EVENT: Fri. March 27th from 7pm to 10pm. For more info. and to register visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Sat. March 28th from 8:30am to 4pm at Le Tre Port Banquet Hall, 1075 Queensway E, Mississauga. For more info. please call 416-907-1042. Visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com to register.

SERRA CLUB ANNUAL DINNER: Celebrate the anniversaries of Priests, Consecrated/Religious Brothers and Sisters who have served 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 + years in the Diocese of Hamilton with members of the Serra Club on Tues. **April 28**th at Liuna Station. Those called to ordination or to profess final vows will also be present. For more information contact Margaret Carreiro at celebrationprl@gmail.com or via https://celebrationprl.wixsite.com/dinner



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