

**March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Joseph Longo +

**Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Rose & Andy Condron, Spec. Int.  
 Cherie Hunter, Spec. Int.  
 Paul Gaspar, Spec. Int.  
 Ben Neale, Spec. Int.  
 Sylvia Heald, Spec. Int.

**Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Anne Stokl +

**Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Jane McMahan, Spec. Int.  
 Lou Laprade +  
 Gieve Weiss +  
 Ruth Chew +  
 John Lawson, Spec. Int.

**Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

*St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
 9:00 a.m. Annunziato & Maria Rosa Paiano +

**Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Amanda Teilinger, Spec. Int.  
 5:00 p.m. Barry Sullivan +

**Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

8:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners  
 10:00 a.m. Stanley Musial +  
 12:00 Noon Joan Lawlor, Spec. Int.

**Please pray for the following:**

Brian Kerr	Irene Cherniuk
Betty Smith	Anthony Pileggi
Sharon Coburn	Rick Long
Rob P.	Elaine Scott
Diane Fernihough	



*If you would like a loved one prayed for by the parish and included in the weekend Prayers of the Faithful, please call the Parish Office. The Monday Evening Charismatic Prayer Group also prays for those listed above.*



**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup> \$ 8,044.00  
 Envelopes 381

We wish to thank all our faithful contributors!  
*Remember to Tithe a Tooney!*



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**Divine Mercy Devotions:** Every Friday afternoon from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel. All welcome.

**PARISH HAPPENINGS**



**Each Friday evening during Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross at 7:30 p.m.**

**Our Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service will be on Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m.**

**SACKCLOTH AND ASHES**

This year the Decoration Committee is offering the theme of Sackcloth and Ashes. The ashes were offered on Ash Wednesday and we invite you to pick up a small swatch of cloth from the baskets of the entrance area to carry with you throughout the Lenten season. It will be a daily reminder of our need to turn away from our sins and turn to the Lord.



**FLOWERS FOR EASTER**

The Decorating Committee asks you to consider bringing flowers to decorate for the Easter season. We would appreciate a variety of flowers and preferably, some that would last well into the Easter season, which is six weeks long. If you would like to remember a loved one, feel free to include a small card with their name(s) on it.



**ST. RAPHAEL'S 2010 LENTEN PROJECT**

St. Raphael's Social Justice Committee invite you to participate in a Lenten project in support of **Canadian Food for Children**. Every Sunday during Lent please offer your donation / almsgiving of the following needed supplies: **buckets with lids (for food storage and water collecting), flour, oatmeal, and sugar.**

Please drop off near the St. Anthony's room at the designated signed area. If you have any questions about Canadian Food for Children, please call Charles Teilinger at 905 639-4760 or any questions about the Social Justice committee, call Jim or Leony Hettinger at 905-632-0792. Thank you for helping the poor and hungry in many countries in the world. Thank you for your past support in previous Lenten projects. All donations make a difference!  
*St. Raphael's Social Justice Committee*



**March Break Office Hours:** The parish office will be closed on Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.  
*Have a fun and safe March Break!*

**Notice to God Squad and S.E.N.T. Members:** There will be no meetings during the March Break. Meetings will run as normal after the break.



There will be coffee, tea, juice and goodies **after mass next weekend**. Please plan to stay after mass and visit for a while.



**BOOMERANG CARDS:** Boomerang Bridge and Euchre sessions are held on **Monday afternoons at 1:00 p.m.** in the Parish Centre. Come and join us for an afternoon of fun for only a loonie

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### CWL General Meeting

Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 p.m., Parish Centre

### St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 p.m., St. Francis Rm.

## SHARE LENT COLLECTION - MARCH 21, 2010

For more than 40 years, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE has been living out the Canadian Catholic Church's commitment to justice and peace, walking in solidarity with partners in the Global South to find solutions to problems that affect the poorest of the poor. Issues such as hunger, landlessness, and homelessness are addressed through our partners' work with poor communities and our education campaigns that highlight solutions such as food sovereignty. This work depends on the generous gifts that Canadian Catholics make each year during the Share Lent Campaign. Give generously next week on Solidarity Sunday.

As was stated in Bishop Tonnos' Lenten Pastoral Letter for 2010, the St. Joseph Health System International Outreach Program has been added as an option for Lenten Almsgiving. Pre-printed envelopes from the Chancery Office can be found in the gathering area of the church. Please make cheques payable to St. Raphael's Parish and put your name and/or offertory envelope number on the envelope. All funds will be receipted at St. Raphael's and forwarded to the Chancery Office in Hamilton.

## S.E.N.T./God Squad Reflection

*Through God Squad and S.E.N.T. (Spirit Envisioned in Teens) I have been able to grow as a person. I have developed skills that will last me a lifetime. I feel I have been able to be myself and learn by doing. At God Squad when I volunteer with the younger kids I feel as though I am able to teach them what I have learned. At SENT we do a lot of work in the community: we raise money for different charities and collect food for our food bank. As a part of SENT I feel like I am part of something bigger than myself. I am able to talk about issues in today's society and reflect on the life I live. I am so happy that I finally have somewhere to grow and strengthen my relationship with God, and most importantly, with myself. Chelsea, Youth Leader and member of S.E.N.T.*



## Easter Cards That Make a Difference!

Sending Franciscan Easter cards means that the recipients will be remembered in the prayers of the friars and the proceeds will support outreach to the poor. Cards (1 for \$3, 5 for \$12, & 10 for \$20) will be available at the Welcome Centre after mass.

## DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

## AN EVENING WITH BISHOP TONNOS: A LENTEN REFLECTION FOR MEN: Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>,

registration at 5 p.m., Mass at 5:30 p.m., followed by roast beef dinner and presentation. Where: Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse, Dundas. Tickets \$25. Call John Towler, 905-639-5949, or Tom Mancini, 905-632-4692 to reserve your spot. Spaces are limited.

## LENTEN PEACE & CREATION MASS WITH BISHOP

**BERGIE: Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. Hosted by St. Margaret Mary Parish, Hamilton. All welcome. For info, call the Social Awareness Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2233 or email [dbaltaz@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:dbaltaz@hamiltondiocese.com)

## A NOTE FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Families are reminded to kindly remove all winter wreaths and decorations from their lots by April 1<sup>st</sup>, to facilitate the spring cemetery clean up. Any wreaths or decorations remaining after April 1<sup>st</sup> will be removed and discarded by cemetery staff. For further information, please call the cemetery office at 905.522.7727 or 1.800.661.5985.



Assumption Catholic Secondary School will be hosting its **6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT** on **Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>** from 7-10 p.m. All the funds will go to support the mission of Father Mark Wendling who is a graduate of

Assumption. We encourage you to join us in your support of Father Mark by registering a team of 6 – 8 players. \$10 per player. There is no pressure for any individual to answer questions since you answer as a team. If you wish to play but don't have a team, we will find a team for you! For more information please contact Tina Di Clemente (Assumption teacher): [diclementet@hcdsb.org](mailto:diclementet@hcdsb.org) or 905 634 1835 Ext. 418.

**Stress in Your Marriage?** – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Retrouvaille can help. For confidential information about, or to register for the April program beginning with a weekend on **April 9-11**, in Niagara Falls please call **905-664-5212**, or email: [retrouvaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca](mailto:retrouvaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca) or visit the web site at [www.hamiltonretrouvaille.com](http://www.hamiltonretrouvaille.com)

**STOP Human Trafficking!** one of the greatest evils of our time. Gain insight at a workshop hosted by the School Sisters of Notre Dame in Waterdown on **April 10<sup>th</sup>** from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Guest speaker: Julian Sher, award-winning investigative journalist and author of "One Child at a Time". His work focuses on Internet pornography and the exploitation of children. For further information see the poster in your parish. Register: phone 289-813-0703 or [caughtintheweb2010@gmail.com](mailto:caughtintheweb2010@gmail.com). Help break the chains of bondage and evil. Thank you.

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2010** on **Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**, from 8.00 am to 6.30 pm, Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Building, 255 Front Street West. A Grace-filled Day with: Archbishop of Toronto, Thomas Collins, Marcus Grodi, Teresa Tomeo (EWTN), Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields & Peter Herbeck, Testimony of a Documented Miraculous Healing, Divine Mercy Celebration, Uplifting Music, Eucharistic Healing Procession, Confession and Holy Mass, Separate Youth Event. For Tickets/Info. [www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org](http://www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org) or Call (416) 251-4255 or (905) 270-2510 or write to: Catholic Renewal Ministries, 5845 Yonge St., P.O.Box 45018, Toronto, Ontario, M2M 3V0