

**March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010**  
**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Fred Hession +

**Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

9:00 a.m. John Juliani +  
 Dolores Zammit, Spec. Int.  
 Karen Cimba +  
 David & Clare Green, Spec. Int.  
 Marie Toscano +

**Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Irene Brooksbank +

**Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**

*The Annunciation of the Lord*

9:00 a.m. Joan Lawlor, Spec. Int.  
 Nicholas Neale, Spec. Int.  
 Don Frank +  
 Edna Goetz +  
 Simon Woodward +

**Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Mary Carr & Family, Spec. Int.

**Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. David Eccles +  
 5:00 p.m. Nick Roberto +

**Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners  
 10:00 a.m. Vivian Schnurr +  
 12:00 Noon Emeteria Felisco +

**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 14<sup>th</sup> \$ 5,488.00  
 Envelopes 306

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



**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 this Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m.**



**ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 9:00 p.m. Please join us in the Adoration Chapel. Come for any length of time, or any hour through the night. We will be praying for your intentions. Refreshments. Call: 905 632 4862 for more information.

**MOVIE NIGHT: The Passion of The Christ**

Join your fellow parishioners in viewing *The Passion of the Christ* in preparation for Holy Week. **Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. in the Parish Centre. (Please note that this film contains graphic violence and may not be suitable for younger viewers) You are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for the food bank.



**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*



**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) are available at the Welcome Centre after mass.



**BOOMERANG CARDS NOTICE:** There will be **no** card session on **Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### Knitting Group

Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m., Parish Centre

### God Squad

Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Parish Centre

### R.C.I.A.

Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m., St. Francis Rm

### S.E.N.T (Spirit Envisioned in Teens)

Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m., St. Francis Rm

### St Raphael's Music Ministry Fund Raiser - Team Trivia Challenge!

Join us at 7:45 p.m. on **Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>** to have your trivia skills put to the test. Reserve a team table or ask us to assign you to an open one but regardless be prepared for a night of joy and laughter. Tickets are \$10 per person (pizza, prizes and snacks). Tickets will be available beginning the weekend of April 9/10 at Mass or call 905-333-9727 / 289-895-8439.

### To all Youth from God Squad and S.E.N.T.:

I want to send a special thank you for your participation in our Surrogate Santa program. By generously providing gifts and gift cards, your support makes the holiday season a much brighter one for thousands of families served by Children's Welfare organizations across the GTA.

*"I cannot say thank you enough to express my appreciation for what you have given our family. Because of you, we had the means to purchase a turkey for dinner. Because of you, my children are now equipped for winter's temperatures. Because of you, my family was able to celebrate Christmas. You have made this Christmas extremely meaningful and happy for us. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts and God bless."*

Best Wishes for 2010.

Sincerely,

Ann Barnard Ball, CFRE

Executive Director

## DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

### 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.

**STOP Human Trafficking!** 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)

### LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2010

**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 a 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

The **Junior Choir of St. Michael's Choir School** presents "*How Can I Keep from Singing?*" at St. John's Church, 2016 Blairholm Ave., Burlington. Come join over sixty angelic boys' voices on **Friday, April 16** at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15/adults and \$7/students. Don't miss this visit from Canada's Singing Ambassadors. For tickets and information phone Joan at (905) 336-3024.

### PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Vacations or 'Stay-cations' are a wonderful time to step away from the busy-ness of everyday family living and reconnect with each other. As you laugh and play, don't forget to stay connected to our faith. Be the family that plays and prays together.

### MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Marriage in the Catholic Church is a sacrament: our love for each other is to mirror the love of God for each person. It is good now and then to reflect on our marriages and discern whether they truly reflect the total love and giving of God's love. It is not easy, but love is a choice and the decision to love can and should influence how we treat our spouse.

### Pilgrimage to Quebec Shrines

**June 12-15:** Our Lady of Cape, St. Anne de Beaupre, Blessed Frederick's Tomb and St. Joseph's Oratory. Bus, hotel, & most meals. Cost \$295. For more details call Lynn at 905-389-2066.

### Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2010? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for one of two Anniversary Masses. Please choose either **Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** at Church of Our Lady Parish in Guelph OR **Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>** at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Hamilton. Both masses will take place at 2 pm.

**Adoption Builds Families:** Have you ever considered adoption? Would you like to hear more about the adoption process through the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton? Please join our adoption staff for our information night on **Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. at the Agency, 735 King St. E. For more information call 905-525-2012 ext. 3125.