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OFFICE HOURS	Mon-Fri	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
	Tues & Thurs	6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
	Saturday	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
	Sunday	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
	<i>closed on Statutory Holidays</i>	



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
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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.

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

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.

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

Please visit these websites: The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com
Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.HamiltonDiocese.org

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 16 at 9:00 a.m.
Ints. Kara Heald

Tuesday, May 17 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Marion van de Vrande

Wednesday, May 18 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Joe Lawlor

Thursday, May 19 at 9:00 a.m.
+ Jackie & Reg Lane; + Italia Trabucco
Ints. Shirley Godin; Ints. Sylvia Gzik

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

Saturday, May 21 at 5:00 p.m.
+ Darryll Malley; + Robert Colterman;
+ Justin Svazas; Ints. Sylvia Gzik

Sunday, May 22
9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners
11:00 a.m. + Peter Mateja

Please pray for the following:

Maureen Fisher	Molly Laporte	Barbara Kennedy
Isabelle Wild	Nicola Izzi	Maritza Garcia
Martin Dawson	Sarah Scharer	Gonzalez
John Scharer	Vincent Stanford	Michael Dowson
	Jim Singer	Milan Heck
Mary Berry	Catherine Gee	Helen Weppler
Doug Pudsey	Elizabeth Talatala	Godofredo
Sylvia Gzik		Elegado Sr.
Jane Urquhart		



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 by Tuesday a.m.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday, May 8th \$5,649.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

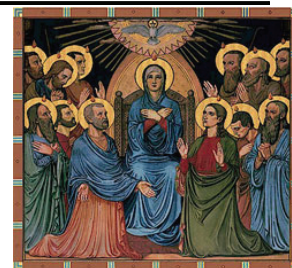
NOTICE OF UPCOMING MARRIAGE: There is a promise of marriage between *Tara Hutchinson and Karl O'Blenis*. The wedding will take place on June 11th.

SUMMER 2016 BIBLE CAMP: July 11 – July 15 for children from J.K. to Grade 6. For more information please take a registration form from the Parish Entrance as well as St. Raphael and St. Paul School Offices. *Registration deadline is June 10th*

HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED: We are looking for a part-time housekeeper for St. Raphael's Rectory and office area. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 905-637-2346 for more details. We would like to thank Therese Ledoux for the excellent care she has shown for the offices and the priests' residence during the last few years.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

A woman received into the Church at the Easter Vigil told me how welcomed she felt in the Catholic family. The sense of openness and tolerance she experienced was especially important to her.



It's a characteristic of Catholicism to see God's goodness in all of creation, in various human endeavors, and in the cultures and histories of human beings wherever the gospel is preached. While we haven't always lived up to that ideal, I was happy that my new parishioner experienced something of that spirit.

That "universal" dimension is also one of the themes of Pentecost. The dramatic story of the descent of the Holy Spirit tells us how the Holy Spirit can break down walls we may put up between peoples, races, and cultures. What we see as obstacles, the Spirit can use to create a new unity, a reversal of the story of the tower of Babel in Genesis, when people let human arrogance lead to disunity, as one human language fractured into many different tongues.

Today across the world, a myriad of voices, different languages, and many cultural expressions will celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. **Let's join our voices with that Pentecost chorus!**

Fr. Greg Friedman OFM

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Due to spring/summer commitments for our volunteers, our Children's Liturgy Program will take a break (as of May 15th) and **resume in the fall, Sept. 17th.**

Heartfelt thanks to our leaders, helpers and families who supported our program. Wishing everyone a safe and happy time in the sun.



ST. RAPHAEL GREEN CORNER
Pope Francis writes: "Some forms of pollution are part of people's daily experience. Exposure to atmospheric pollutants produces a broad spectrum of health

hazards, especially for the poor, and causes millions of premature deaths. People take sick, for example, from breathing high levels of smoke from fuels used in cooking or heating. There is also pollution that affects everyone, caused by transport, industrial fumes, substances which contribute to the acidification of soil and water, fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides, herbicides and agrottoxins in general." **Laudato si #20**

Pentecost was celebrated by Jesus in his Jewish community as a spring harvest festival. He was close to the land and uses many parables relating His good news to the good soil. Did you know that using a mulching blade on your lawn mower provides your lawn with all the fertilizer that it needs to grow? Grass clippings are high in nitrogen and are a natural fertilizer for lawns. Did you know that coffee grounds are also high in nitrogen and can be poured right on to your garden or dug into soil in planter pots as a form of natural fertilizer?

THANK YOU! This year we had a great opportunity to bring many of our youth closer to God through Confirmation and First Communion. All this great work of love and dedication can only be done when people work together and believe in the importance of what faith can do for our youth.

Experiencing gratitude is a beautiful way of walking and growing together as a community. I would like to express my gratitude to *Rocco, Cathy, Deb, Liz, Isabel, Judy, Tom, Sandy and Sonia* for their help and dedication. I am very blessed to have all of them as part of our common goal, bringing many youth closer to God. God bless you and thank you very much.

Cristian Lecanda, Youth Minister

ALL ARE INVITED: Year of Mercy Special Observance for Burlington Parishes SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS on **Friday, June 3 at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Raphael Church. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist with a reflection on Mercy. Guest Homilist: *Monsignor Raymond Modeski*. Light reception to follow.



FUNDRAISER for St. Raphael's Accessibility Project

Choose from Impatiens, Geraniums, Begonias, Hanging Baskets and Patio Planters. **This Sunday, May 15th is the**

final day for orders! Order forms can be picked up in the church foyer or printed off our website: www.straphaels.ca. Delivery is Saturday May 28th, 2016 rain or shine! For more information please contact Sally Romanowski at 905 639-9516.



CWL GENERAL MEETING for May will be held on **Monday, May 16** in the Parish Centre at 7:30 p.m. We will be saying the Rosary for the month of Mary. All parishioners are

welcome to join us. We will let you know about our Card Party fundraising project next week.



ENGLISH TEA PARTY: WOW! What a wonderful afternoon. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers, both old and young, who cooperated in working together, to make this event a success. Not forgetting, our wonderful supporters who joined us to help raise \$1,200 for the Elevator Fund.

NEXT YOUNG ADULTS MEETING: Friday, May 20 / 7-9 p.m. We meet in the St. Francis Room.

THEOLOGY ON TAP EVENTS:

Theology on Tap East: Gifts of the Laity. **May 16**, 7 p.m. Boston Pizza, 400 Progress Ave. Scarborough. Toronto. Special guest: Patricia Murphy. *Theology on Tap West:* Holiness and Budgeting. **June 6**, 7 p.m., Boston Pizza, 50 Courtneypark Dr. East. Mississauga. Special guest: Quentin Schesnuik, BA, CSC, PFP. For more information please contact Cristian, Youth Minister.

BOOMERANG CARDS: Bridge and euchre sessions are held in the Parish Centre on **Monday afternoons** at 1:00 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of fun for only a toonie.

FT. McMURRAY FIRE: Bishop Crosby has encouraged us to come to the aid of the people of Ft. McMurray, by sending donations directly to the **Canadian Red Cross** (*individual donations will be matched by the Alberta and Federal Governments*), or directly to Bishop Terrio where Ft. McMurray is located: The Most Rev. Paul Terrio, Bishop of St. Paul, 4410 – 51st Avenue, Saint-Paul, AB, TOA 3A2

NOVENA FOR LIFE THREATENED BY BILL C14: A group of Ottawa Doctors have requested our help to organize a NATIONWIDE NOVENA to "Our Lady of Good Success" to STOP EUTHANASIA in Canada. Please pray a Novena to Our Lady of Good Success in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord TO INTERCEDE FOR CANADIANS FOR TRUE WISDOM CONCERNING THIS FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE ABOUT THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN LIFE. Begin at any time, at least nine days before June 6, 2016 when BILL C14 will be put before Parliament for the vote.

BILL C-14 ASSISTED SUICIDE LEGISLATION

-protection for health care workers, ensuring they do not have to provide or refer for euthanasia/assisted suicide; -expand palliative care and support service for the vulnerable. Please contact Karina Gould our Burlington MP: karinagould@parl.gc.ca 905 639 5757 777 Guelph Line, Suite 209 Burlington, ON L7R 3N2

DOCTOR-ASSISTED SUICIDE: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Get an authoritative Catholic perspective on this controversial new legislation from Dr. Moira McQueen, executive director of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute and author of Bioethics Matters. Come out for this free public presentation **Tuesday, May 17**, beginning at **7 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Parish hall.**

"WALK FOR LIFE" 2016: Sat., May 28th

We are raising money to help support our community projects by hosting a BBQ and 5K walk. Pledge forms: <http://halttonalive.celect.org/walk-for-life>.

5TH ANNUAL HCCEF CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC

June 1, 2016 at Hidden Lake Golf & Country Club. All proceeds support the HCCEF Student Guardian Program. \$200 /golfer. Golf Fee includes Golf, Cart, Lunch, Dinner & Prizes. Dinner only - \$50.00 per person. All entries due by: Friday, May 27, 2016. Register online: www.hccef.org

HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY SPRING MASS: Most Reverend Daniel Miehm, DD, Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton, will celebrate the annual Memorial Mass on **Saturday, May 28, 2016, at 11:00 am** at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington. All are invited to attend. For more information, please call (905) 522-7727 or (800) 661-5985, or visit www.thecatholiccemetaries.ca.

Assumption Catholic Secondary School proudly presents Disney's Beauty and the Beast Junior! We invite you to 'be our guest' as we perform this 'tale as old as time'. Performances are: Wednesday, May 18 at 11:30am, Thursday, May 19 at 12:00pm and 7:00pm, Friday, May 20 at 12:00pm and 7:00pm. Tickets are \$10 at the door or at gobluego.com.

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