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Office Hours: (during pandemic) by appointment
Tues., Thurs, Fri.: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:15 am
Wednesday/Solemnities 7:00 pm
Saturday/Civic Holidays 10:00 am
First Friday 12:10 noon 7:00 pm

Confessions:

Saturday 9:15-9:45 am, 4:15-4:45 pm

Eucharistic Adoration:

First Fridays 12:30 - 7:00 pm

Perpetual Help Novena:

Saturday Mass 10:00 am

Communion for the Sick:

Holy Communion will gladly be brought to your home upon request. Please call the parish office.

School:

St. Dunstan's Catholic Elementary School
Telephone: 416-393-5241

St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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Legion of Mary

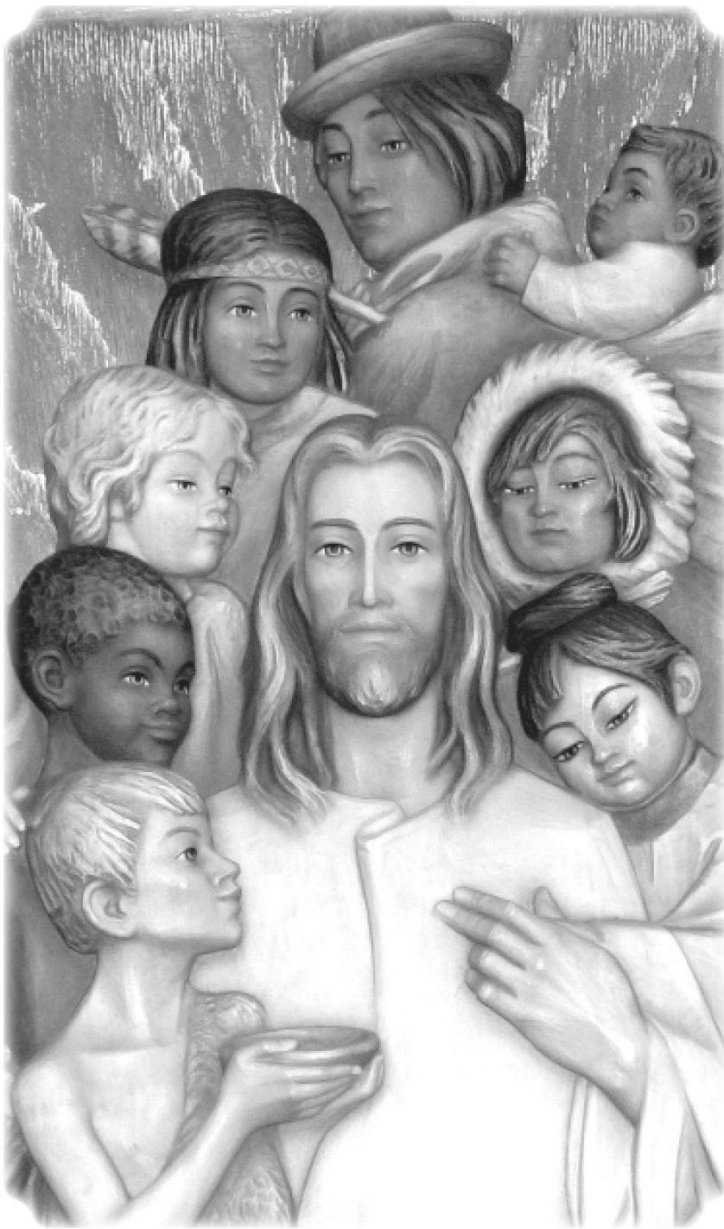
Catholic Women's League

Baptism:

Second and Fourth Sunday of the Month by appointment only, after completion of a Baptismal Preparation Class. Please pick-up a Baptismal Package from the parish office, read, complete and return same before registering to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. Upon class completion a date will be set for the Baptism.

Marriage:

The Church asks all couples, whether they are to be married here or overseas, to contact the parish 1 year in advance of their planned date of marriage. Couples are also expected to attend and complete a Marriage Preparation Course. If either party has previously gone through any form of marriage, civil or religious, the priest is not to set a date for the wedding until the Archbishop's office has been consulted.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ~ DECEMBER 8

This feast celebrates Our Lady, “full of grace” from her conception. It was fitting that God should preserve Mary free from all stain of original sin, since from her the Son of God was to take His human nature. By a unique grace and privilege, the Blessed Virgin was redeemed in a more exalted fashion by reason of the foreseen merits of her Son. Moreover, fully cooperating with God’s grace and obedient to His will, Mary remained sinless throughout her life. We ask our Mother and Queen to intercede for us that we too may serve God with blameless lives. **Our parish will observe this feast Tuesday, December 8 with a Virtual Mass at 9:00 a.m. .**



THE TRADITION OF THE CHRISTMAS CRIB

Following a beautiful and firmly-rooted tradition, many families set up their crib immediately after the feast of the Immaculate Conception, as if to relive with Mary those days full of trepidation that preceded the birth of Jesus. Putting up the crib at home can be a simple but effective way of presenting faith, to pass it on to one’s children. The



crib helps us contemplate the mystery of God’s love that was revealed in the poverty and simplicity of the Bethlehem Grotto. Saint Francis of Assisi was so taken by the mystery of the Incarnation that he wanted to present it anew at *Greccio* in the living nativity scene, thus beginning an old, popular tradition that still retains its value for evangelization today. Indeed, the crib can help us understand the secret of the true Christmas because it speaks of the humility and merciful goodness of Christ, who “though he was rich he made himself poor” for us (2Cor 8:9). His poverty enriches those who embrace it and Christmas brings joy and peace to those who, like the shepherds in Bethlehem, accept the Angel’s words: “Let this be a sign to you: in a manger you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes” (Lk 2:12). This is still the sign

for us too, men and women of the third millennium. (*Pope emeritus Benedict XVI*).

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

Our **Advent Retreat** for this year is scheduled for the **12th of December at 7:00 p.m.** Please send an email to the office to register. We are working on our website and hopefully we shall have it live there, otherwise we may have to use zoom. We shall send you a message on your email if there is any change and we have to use zoom. So send in your emails please.

VIRTUAL NIGHT OF CAROLS AND SHORT SCRIPTURAL PASSAGES

Christmas is drawing near, not even the Covid-19 can stop the joy of our receiving the new-born Jesus into our hearts! St. Dunstan’s presents and invites you to a **Virtual Christmas Carol on Friday, December 18th at 7:00 p.m.** It will feature several musicians from different parts of Canada and outside. You do not want to miss this! Check our website for further details. www.stdunstanssc.archtoronto.org

OUR TEMPORARY SCHEDULE DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS

Following Archdiocesan mandate and keeping with civil authorities’ appeal to restrict activities for now to deal with this pandemic, **all public Masses are temporarily suspended.** We continue to offer the sacrifice of the Mass daily for your intentions. Temporarily, weekday Masses will be **Livestreamed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:00 a.m. Sunday Liturgy ~ Masses will be Livestreamed on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 12.30 p.m.** The Church will be open for private prayers Mondays to Friday and on Sunday but only for 10 people at a given time. **Church Open for Private Prayer:** **Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.**
Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

UP-DATING PARISH DATABASE

Kindly send your email address to us at stdunstan@rogers.com as we are now up-dating our parish database. It does not take anytime, just send a simple email with your name and email, also at this time if you have moved and have not notified us, or have a new phone number, please also include that. It becomes easy, particularly in these very virtual days, to contact you or forward important messages from your St. Dunstan's family. This is absolutely important now as many resources are going virtual, and it is most important to keep our parish registration up-to-date.

NEW BISHOP-ELECT FOR TORONTO

Congratulations to the new Bishop-elect for Toronto, Fr. Ivan Camilleri. Pope Francis appointed Fr. Ivan Camilleri as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Following his episcopal ordination, the new Bishop will join three Auxiliary Bishops currently assisting the Archbishop of Toronto, Cardinal Thomas Collins, in serving the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Keep him in your prayers for his ministry.

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY ONLINE

At this special time where we need to cater all the more to the need of the flock, we are introducing Sunday children's liturgy online. Our dedicated team of children's liturgy teachers will host the liturgy online every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. via zoom, starting from December 13th. Interested parents should send their emails to the parish (stdunstan@rogers.com) to register.

PARISH OFFICE

Due to the recent COVID 19 restrictions in Toronto, the parish office is closed to the public with significant operating restrictions. Our secretary Jean, is working remotely from home, but does come into the office one or two days a week. If you would like to speak to Jean, or make an appointment, please do not hesitate to call the parish office at 416-694-2811, all calls are monitored remotely. Please keep safe and well. We hope to see you all back in the church soon.

“Let us all pray for the end of this global pandemic, for the health and safety of our loved ones, and for God's healing for those suffering during this time.”



Masses For The Week

Monday December 7 (Livestreamed)
9:00 a.m.

Tuesday December 8 (Livestreamed)
9:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception
Req.by Owen & Joana Vaz

Wednesday December 9 (Livestreamed)
7:00 p.m.

Thursday December 10 (Private)

Friday December 11 (Private)
Friday is a day of penitential observance
9:00 a.m.

Saturday December 12 (Private)

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:00 p.m. Leslie & Teresa D'Silva † (Livestreamed)
Req.by Diane D'Silva

Sunday December 13
Teofila Katigbak † (Private)
Req.by her daughter Val Katigbak
Intentions of All Parishioners (Private)
12:30 p.m. Santan Fernandes † (Livestreamed)
Req.by Margaret & Santan Lobo

Due to the recent provincial “Lockdown” in Toronto all public Masses are cancelled until further notice.

A BIG THANK YOU

A big Thank You to everyone who donated towards the camera/computer and equipment needed to offer the Virtual Mass here in St. Dunstan's. You will be blessed twofold for your generosity in helping to bring Jesus to the people. There is still a need, and we are still accepting donations for this project.



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