# Saint Dunstan's Parish

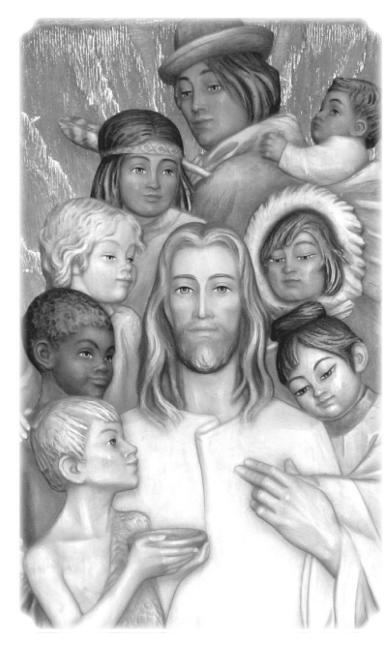
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Administrator: Fr. Victor Amole

- Deacon: Rev. Mr. Philip Allard
- Secretary: Mrs. Jean Walsh
- 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.

Helpline: 416-698-0044

# 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.

#### **GAUDETE SUNDAY**

The Third Sunday of Advent is called **Gaudete Sunday** after the first word in Latin of the entrance antiphon *"gaudete"* meaning *"rejoice"*: *"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice."* 



"*gaudete*" meaning "rejoice": "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near." Halfway through the season of Advent, we rejoice at the nearness of Our Saviour. The penitential violet is replaced by the joyful rose-coloured vestments and flowers. The Mass texts for Gaudete Sunday express joy, encouragement, and the need for vigilance and preparation to welcome Christ into our hearts and lives. The liturgy challenges us to be witnesses to the coming of the Messiah. Like the prophet Isaiah, John the Baptist and Our Lady, we too are called to bear joyful witness to what God has done and will do for His people.

### **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

During Advent, the Church calls all her children to return to their Father's house with repentant and contrite hearts by approaching the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. The Liturgy repeats the cry of John the Baptist, "Repent, for the Kingdom of God is near". Amidst all our Christmas preparations the most important preparation takes place in our own heart to welcome Christ the Saviour. Let us heed the Church's invitation to seek and find God's forgiveness by making a good confession. If you missed our days of confession last week, please call the parish office 416-694-2811 to book an appointment for confession.





## 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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. <u>www.stdunstanssc.archtoronto.org</u>

#### 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 this weekend, December 13. Interested parents should send their email address to the parish (stdunstan@rogers.com) to register.



## **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, and Friday at 9:00 a.m. and on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.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. <u>Church Open for Private Prayer</u>: Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon



Christmas Eve ~ Thursday, Dec 24 7:00 p.m. ~ 12:00 Midnight Christmas Day ~ Friday, Dec 25 10:30 a.m. ~ 12:30 p.m.

Dec 26~27 Sunday Liturgy as usual ( 9:00 a.m. ~ 10:30 a.m. ~12.30 p.m.)

Mary, Mother of God Friday, Dec 31 ~ 5:00 p.m. Saturday, January 1 ~ 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. Jan 1~2 Sunday Liturgy as usual (5:00 p.m. ~ 9:00 a.m. ~ 10:30 a.m. ~12:30 p.m.) <u>Please Note</u>: We are hopeful that the above Christmas and New Year Masses will take place publicly as we have done in previous years. Should the lockdown continue past December 21, we will be sure to update the schedule here and, on our website. We continue to pray for a healthy and happy Christmas for everyone.

## **2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

Offertory Envelopes for Year 2021 are available for pick-up from the parish office. Please call when you



are available to pick-up your box. We encourage everyone to use Offertory envelopes as they are the fairest way of contributing to the support of our Church.

As well, you will receive an Income Tax Receipts at year end. If you would like to start using Offertory envelopes in 2021, please call Jean in the parish office and she will get a box ready for you. Please note: we close off the parish accounting books for 2020 on December 31, so if you would like to make a donation and receive an Income Tax Receipt for this year, please make your donation before this time. We thank all parishioners for your continued generosity to the up-keep of our Church.

#### **UP-DATING PARISH DATABASE**

Kindly send your email address to us at <u>stdunstan@rogers.com</u> as we are now up-dating our parish database.

We have started sending out our new weekly Newsletter to those we have their emails.

If you have not done so, please send a simple email with your name and email. Also if you have moved and have not notified us, or have a new phone number, please also include that. Thank you.

#### 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.

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Tuesday: (Private)
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7:00 p.m.
<u>Thursday</u> (Private)
<b><u>Friday</u></b> : (Livestreamed)
Friday is a day of penitential observance
9:00 a.m.
<u>Saturday:</u>
10:00 a.m. ( <i>Private</i> )
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
<b>5:00 p.m</b> . ( <i>Livestreamed</i> )
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