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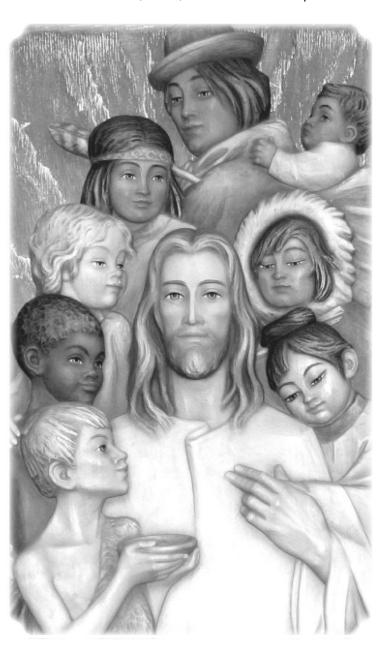
Administrator: Fr. Victor Amole

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.

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Legion of Mary

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Baptism:

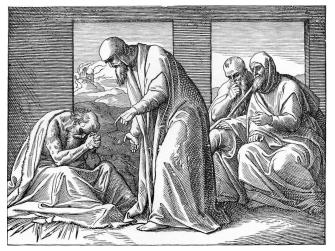
Second and Fourth Sunday of the Month by appointment only, after completion of a Baptismal Preparation Class. Please pick-up a Baptismal Package from the parish office, read, complete and return same before registering to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. Upon class completion a date will be set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

I SHALL NOT SEE HAPPINESS AGAIN (Job 7:7)

It's hard not to be struck by the grimness of Job's words. We might want to give him a break and excuse him. After all, look at what happened to the poor man! He lost his children, his possessions and property, even his health. Anyone would be devasted. It's only natural to vent your frustrations to your friends as Job did.



But let's not gloss over Job's melodramatic words. They provide a glimpse into not only how he was feeling in the midst of his devastation but how he was working through it. He teaches us an important lesson when we're going through something difficult: keep the lines of communication with God open! God willing, we will never experience the same string of losses that Job experienced. But sometimes even small trials can send us into a spiral of negativity. Feeling devastated when we are devastated is natural. And that's okay as long as it doesn't stop there. So if you find yourself complaining about your circumstances or getting caught up in self-pity, try to follow Job's example. Vent to your friends if you must, but turn to God as well. Tell him your frustrations. Tell him about the injustice of your situation. Don't hide the way you feel. Ask him hard questions. That kind

of honesty gives him something he can work with. But then go further and listen for his answer. Eventually, Job heard from God. He didn't get an immediate explanation of why he lost everything. He did, over time, come to a deeper understanding of God's greatness. He didn't get a vindication of his own righteousness, but he did go from being someone who only knew about God to being someone who had seen him directly. That's what God can do when you're honest and keep talking to him. Eventually, you will hear him.



WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, February 11 is also observed as the World Day of the Sick. Our parish will celebrate this occasion this **Wednesday February 10 during our Live-streamed Virtual Mass at 7:00 p.m.** The Mass will include special prayers and blessing for the sick. Accordingly, parishioners who are sick, or with some disabilities or in advanced age are invited to receive this blessing of God's mercy and consolation.

A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY NEWMAN CENTRE CATHOLIC MISSION

All are welcome to join a new spiritual life series based on the book, The Story of a Soul by St. Therese of Lisieux. The new series will begin on Monday, February 22 and will be presented in several bi-weekly segments by Fr. Peter Turrone, pastor of the Newman Centre. There will be time for group discussion. Participants will need to purchase the study edition of The Story of a Soul by Fr. Mark Foley for class.

<u>Registration</u>: https://thestoryofasoul.eventbrite.ca/ <u>Contact</u>: <u>lenita.lopes@newmantoronto.com</u> <u>Website</u>: www.newmantoronto.com



CATECHISM CLASSES ~ REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED

ACTICITY & DATE

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

CONFIRMATION

(Zoom) Meeting with Parents (Zoom) Catechism Classes start

February 8, 2021 February 13, 2021- 11:00a.m. February 9, 2021 February 12, 2021 – 5:00p.m.



MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2021 ~ THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 14

Marriage Sunday highlights the importance of the Sacrament of Marriage and complements World Marriage Sunday celebrations that take place across North America. Please join us at **10:00 am Sunday February 14** at our Livestreamed Virtual Mass as Fr. Victor will offer a special blessing for all couples on this special occasion.

<u>VIRTUAL WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER</u> <u>MARCH 5 – 7, 2021</u>

In these stressful times, give your marriage a booster shot! Restore your loving communication with your spouse and rekindle the romance. The Marriage Encounter experience is a skill-building enrichment program where together, you, as husband and wife, learn how to be the best couple you can be. No group discussion. Based on Catholic values but open to couples of all faiths. Rediscover the love in your relationship! Contact: Marge & Gerard McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925 wwme.org

COMMUNION SERVICES AND LIVE-STREAMED MASS SCHEDULE

Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, has given special permission for parishes to continue to offer Communion

Services during this period of lockdown. That being said we must follow Worship Safe Protocols and ensure this can be done safely, with no more than 10 people inside the church at a given time, including the priest and usher. Communion Services will be offered Saturdays from 4:00-5:00p.m. and Sundays 11:00-12:00 noon.

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Like before you must register your time for the communion service with the parish office (416-694-2811). Jean, will give you your time slot and we ask that you are on time as we want things to run smoothly and efficiently. Please note we are not able to bulk book you for every

week at the same time, so as to give everyone the chance to receive communion. Please call weekly for availability. We hope these opportunities provide spiritual comfort to our parish family during this difficult lockdown. Also, 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 ~ Mass will be Live-streamed on Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The Church will be open for private prayers Mondays to Friday 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.

ASH WEDNESDAY ~ FEBRUARY 17th

Anticipating that there will still be significant restrictions, at least for the beginning of Lent, Cardinal Thomas



Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, after consultation with the Council of Priests and the Episcopal Board, is granting permission for parishes to conduct modified Ash Wednesday Services, recognizing that the full Worship Safe Protocols must be observed at all times. That is, at this time, no more than 10 people (including the celebrant and those assisting with the service) may be present inside the church at one time. Here at St. Dunstan's we will observe Ash Wednesday with the distribution of Ashes at different time slots like we are doing with the Communion Service. We will

announce the times in next week's bulletin and at that time we will ask that you register by calling Jean in the parish office. 416-694-2811.



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