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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.

Helpline: 416-698-0044

## Legion of Mary

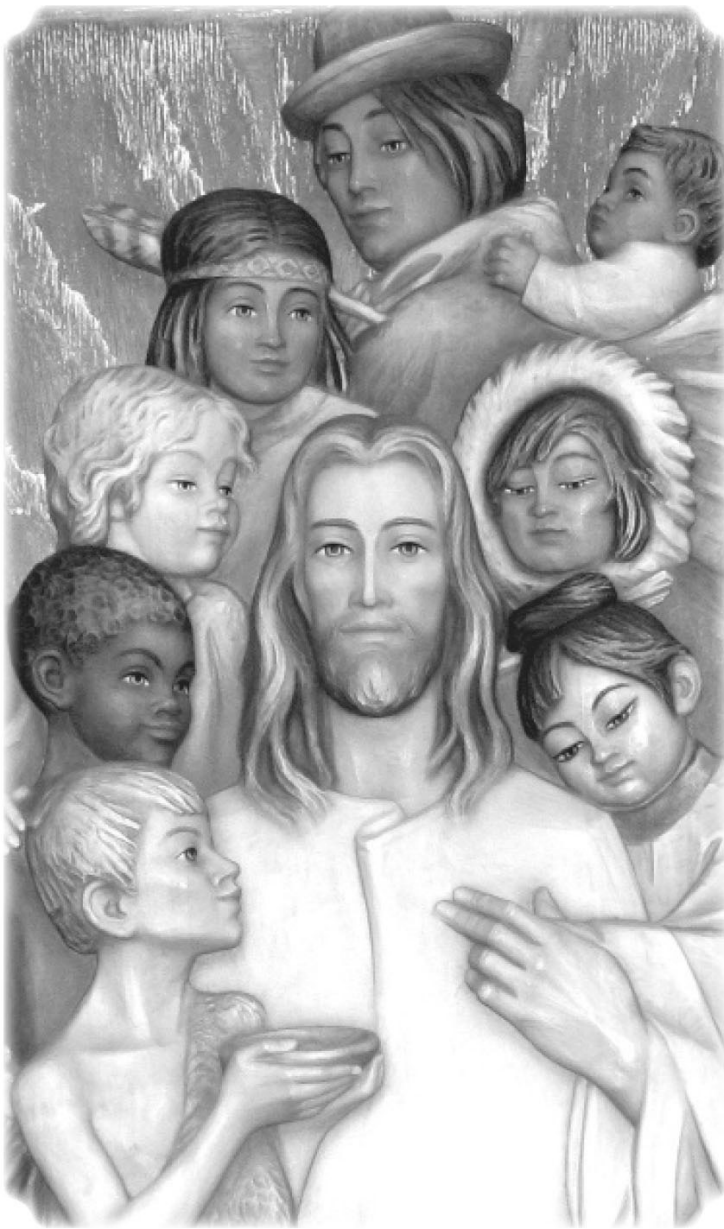
## Catholic Women's League

## 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.



PLEASE REMEMBER GOD'S CHURCH AMONGST YOUR BLESSINGS AND IN YOUR WILL.

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### **I AM TROUBLED. (JOHN 12:27)**

Jesus was troubled? That's putting it mildly. The Greek word John used here means to be greatly distressed or in fear and dread. It's the same word used to describe the disciples' reaction to a deadly storm at sea (Matthew 14:26). It's the same kind of distress that King David felt as he wept over his slain son, Absalom (2 Samuel 19:1), and that Lot felt as he fled the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 19:16).



So what troubled Jesus so much? The realization that his "hour" had come (John 12:33). After spending so much time preaching and teaching, healing people and driving out demons, Jesus had now arrived at the time for his passion. He knew that agonizing torture and slow, lingering death awaited him, and the thought of it filled him with dread. Yet Jesus also knew that, as terrible as it would be, the cross was necessary if he was going to save us from sin. It wouldn't be easy, it wouldn't be pretty, but it was necessary. So rather than shrinking back, he placed himself in God's hands and trusted that his Father would see him through it. He loved us too much to walk away.

We all face times when we feel troubled. It could be because we are witnessing a loved one suffering, or it could be as we face our own suffering. It's painful, it's challenging, but it's unavoidable. If that describes you today, know that you are not alone. Jesus has his arm around you and is holding you close. He knows what it's like to feel so distressed that you want to run

away. And because he knows, he can comfort you and help you. Jesus endured the cross because he knew that his death would reveal the depths of God's love for us ~ and for you. Let that love surround you and sustain you today.

### **WELCOME BACK**

Welcome back, as we return to Mass today after many months of COVID-19 Lock-down we give thanks to God for the gift of our Faith and the gift of one another as members of St. Dunstan's Parish Family.

How wonderful it is to be back in our spiritual home again, now we can once again feel nourished by the Word of God and the Body & Blood of Christ Himself.

Please follow strict Safe Worship Protocol once inside the church. Wear your mask at all times, sanitize your hands when entering and please sit only in designated spots keeping a six feet distance. If we all do our part then maybe we won't have to Lock-down again. Let's all keep safe and well.

Please register weekly for the Mass time you wish to attend, you can do so by going to our webpage: [stdunstanssc.archtoronto.org](http://stdunstanssc.archtoronto.org) and follow the Eventbrite link. For those of you who do not have a computer or access please call Jean in the parish office (416-694-2811) and she will reserve a spot for you.

### **SCHOOL MASS ~ EVERYONE IS INVITED**

Join us on Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> for one of our School Masses which will be live-streamed at 11:00 a.m. Let's worship together with the little ones.

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS LIVESTREAMED EVERY FRIDAY**

**@ 7:00 p.m. THROUGHOUT LENT**

Please join us every Friday during Lent as we Livestream the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. Praying the Stations of the Cross is a powerful way to contemplate, and enter into, the mystery of Jesus' gift of himself to us.



MARCH 21, 2021



### VIRTUAL EASTER PRAISE NIGHT

We are planning another beautiful musical evening! Let's gather together to celebrate Easter with a night of song and praise to our Lord. **Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**, be sure to mark your calendars and invite your friends and family to watch. There is still time to sign up to participate in this event, so if you are musically inclined, don't be shy! Contact Fr. Victor or the parish office and come and share your talents with your parish family.

### A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR JOHN TORY: COVID-19 ONE YEAR LATER

Taken from a memo from Mayor John Tory: Sunday, March 21st marks one year since the first death in Toronto from COVID-19. Since then, more than 2,600 people have lost their lives in the city as a result of COVID-19. We also join in mourning the many across Canada and throughout the world who have lost their lives from COVID-19. To commemorate this anniversary, we will be honouring all those that have died from COVID-19 and those that have been affected by this pandemic. We will also be honouring all the front-line workers who continue to risk their lives every day to help those in need. In addition, Mayor John Tory is inviting all Torontonians on the evening of Sunday, March 21st to use the power of light to honour those who have lost their lives as a result of this virus. You may wish to turn on a porch light, a balcony light, or simply place a light in your window.



ShareLife Collection dates for the 2021 Campaign have been moved to the following weekends: **April 17-18 ~ June 19-20 ~ and October 2-3.**

Please note that the envelopes in your Offertory box will have different dates on them, but we will accept your ShareLife donations at any time.

Thank you for your generosity.

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2021 SCHEDULE



#### **Palm Sunday (March 28)**

5:00pm (Saturday) & 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. (Sunday) – Mass  
Blessing of Palms and distribution of Blessed Palms

#### **SACRED TRIDUUM**

#### **Holy Thursday (April 1)**

7:00p.m. – Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00p.m.

#### **Good Friday (April 2)**

Day of Fasting and Abstinence

3:00p.m. Commemoration of the Passion of Our Lord

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

#### **Holy Saturday (April 3)**

8:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil Mass

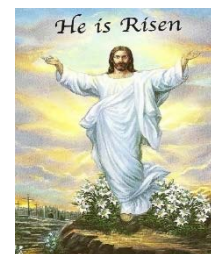
#### **Easter Sunday (April 4)**

**THE LORD IS RISEN ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!!**

9:00 a.m. ~ 10:30 a.m. ~ 12:30 p.m. – Easter Sunday Mass

#### **Easter Monday (April 5)**

10:00 a.m. Mass





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