Saint Dunstan's Parish

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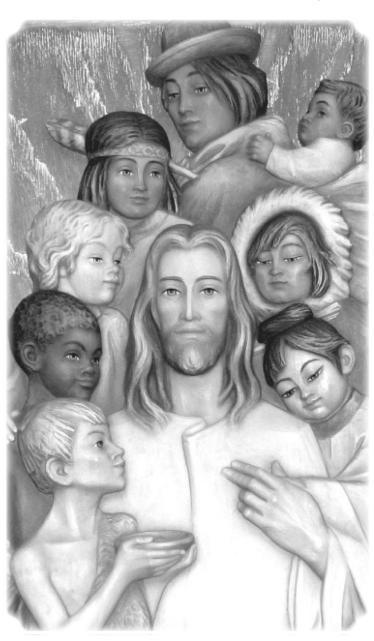
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Pastor:Rev. Jeffrey MastersonDeacon:Rev. Mr. Philip Allard

Secretary: Mrs. Jean Walsh

Office Hours: Parish Office is closed to the public.

Limited essential appointments only please



Sunday Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am, 12:00 noon

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 am

Wednesday/Solemnities 7:00 pm

Civic Holidays 10:00 am

First Friday 12:10 noon 7:00 pm

Confessions:

Call to request an appointment

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.

EARN YOUR BREAD BY PROPHESYING (Amos 7:12)



The Book of Amos marks a turning point. From the time of King Saul, prophets had gathered in guilds and were seen as employees of the king. But Amos says he does not come from a "company of prophets" (Amos 7:14). He was a farmer when God called him. From then on, prophets who followed Amos ~ Isiah ~ Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and the others were called directly by God. They wanted to be clear that they too were not "professonal" prophets.

Why is this important? Because many career prophets in the time of Amos softened ther message to win the king's favour. Or they took payment for their services. That's why the priest Amaziah told Amos that he should earn his bread by prophesying elsewhere (Amos 7:12). He certainly wasn't about to pay a prophet who condemned the king! But Amos didn't have completeting loyalties God had given Amos his message, and God expected him to deliver it.

Fast forward to today's Gospel reading, where Jesus sends out the Twelve to preach and to heal. They certainly weren't in it for the money or to win Herod's

approval. God had called them, and that was enough. So when they returned to Jesus after their journeys, they were excited, not because they had made any money, but because they had seen the power of Jesus' word.

By virtue of your baptism, you too are called by God to be a prophet. That simply means that you are called to spread your faith to the best of your ability. You do this by sharing what God has done in your life, by caring for the needy, and by following Church teachings even when its inconvenient or difficult. It won't make you rich. It might not make you popular. But there's nothing like seeing God work through something you say or do. God is still speaking to his people. And he's calling you to help them hear his voice.

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you have recently moved or changed your phone number, please contact the parish office to inform us of the change and provide the updated information. Do we have your e-mail? It is important to keep our records accurate. Registration significantly helps several parish processes including Baptism, Weddings. It also enables the parish office to give you letters of reference and tax receipts. If parishioners have grown children who are now 18 years of age or older and working, we encourage them to register under their own name

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH

We thank those who so diligently have supported our parish throughout the pandemic. We know this has been a hard time for many, maybe you were laid off work or unable to work due to closure, our thoughts and prayers are with you that you may regain employment soon. The pandemic has really hit our church hard too. You only have to look at all the Offertory Envelope Boxes still in the lobby of the church, either people have moved or not returned to church yet. Please try to help us the best you can. Even though the church was closed during this long pandemic, our expenses remained.

REMEMERING OUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

A bequest is a beautiful way to express your faith and your gratitude for a lifetime of blessings! A gift to the parish in your Will creates a lasting legacy that will help the Church continue its heritage of service and pastoral care to the faith community. When making your Will, please consider a bequest to St. Dunstan's. To learn more about making a bequest, please call the parish office or the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416-934-3411 ext. 519.

MESSAGE FROM FR. JEFF

I want to thank everyone for their warm reception on my recent return to St. Dunstan's after almost a year's absence. For me, it was a joyous homecoming to our parish family. I felt like a "Father" again to be back among the parishioners of St. Dunstan's. Once again, I express my gratitude to all who prayed for me during my illness and who also looked forward to the time we could be together once more.

My appreciation to Michael Schaub for his kind words on behalf of parishioners to welcome me back. I wish to thank all those who assisted Fr. Victor to keep the parish running smoothly during my absence and especially in this difficult time of the pandemic: Jean Walsh our secretary, Philip Allard our deacon, our choir directors Menino Rodrigues and Jay Franco, Trac Ba Luu our handyman, Theresa Kellen and Charlotte Alphonso who monitored attendees weekly, and our volunteers who ushered, guided parishioners in and out of church in a safe manner, supervised the collection basket and sanitized the church, Enrico and Nigel Alphonso, Ellen Grace Calla, who helped the Live-streaming of Masses and other events, and our faithful lectors, and communion ministers. Special thanks too, to our catechism teachers. Many thanks also to the parishioners who have resumed their attendance at Holy Mass during the various stages of reopening and who have maintained their financial support of the parish and allowed us to pay our bills.

We all look forward to a further relaxation of restrictions and to a safe return to normal parish life. Hopefully, we have all experienced a new realization of our dependence on God and our need for the sacraments especially the Eucharist, along with a new appreciation of our family and our Church, and a deeper sense of the common humanity for we are all children of God made in His image. Fr. Jeff

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS DELEGATION TO THE HOLY SEE – HEALING & RECONCILIATION ~ DECEMBER 17-20, 2021

On June 29th, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops announced that the delegation to the Holy See to foster meaningful dialogue and healing with Indigenous Peoples and the Holy Father will take place December 17 –20, 2021. An excerpt of the statement reads as follows:

"Pope Francis is deeply committed to hearing directly from Indigenous Peoples, expressing his heartfelt closeness, addressing the impact of colonization and the role of the Church in the residential school system, in the hopes of responding to the suffering of Indigenous Peoples and the ongoing effects of intergenerational trauma. The Bishops of Canada are deeply appreciative of the Holy Father's spirit of openness in generously extending an invitation for personal encounters with each of the three distinct groups of delegates —First Nations, Métis and Inuit—as well as a final audience with all delegates together on 20 December 2021.
"resources available at: www.archtoronto.org/residentialschool

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ~ ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Due to the protocols surrounding COVID-19, this year's Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed has unfortunately been cancelled at all seven Catholic cemeteries. His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, will celebrate a Live-streamed special Mass in honour of our faithful departed on Wednesday, August 18, at 7 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. The Mass can be viewed at www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live.

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ShareLife agencies are there for you, too. Please remember that ShareLife organizations are also there to help you. If you, your family or other loved ones are in need of support from the services of a ShareLife funded agency, visit sharelife.org and click on the "Need Help?" button. For those who are able, please give to this year's ShareLife Campaign by dropping your envelope in the regular Offertory basket any weekend, or donate online at:

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