

Saint Dunstan's Parish

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Office Hours: Parish Office is closed during the pandemic, essential appointments only.

Weekday Masses:

Monday - Tuesday - Thursday - Friday:
Mass is at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Mass is at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday morning: Mass is at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Liturgy:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass: 10:00 a.m.

12:00 noon

Confessions:

By appointment, call the parish office.

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

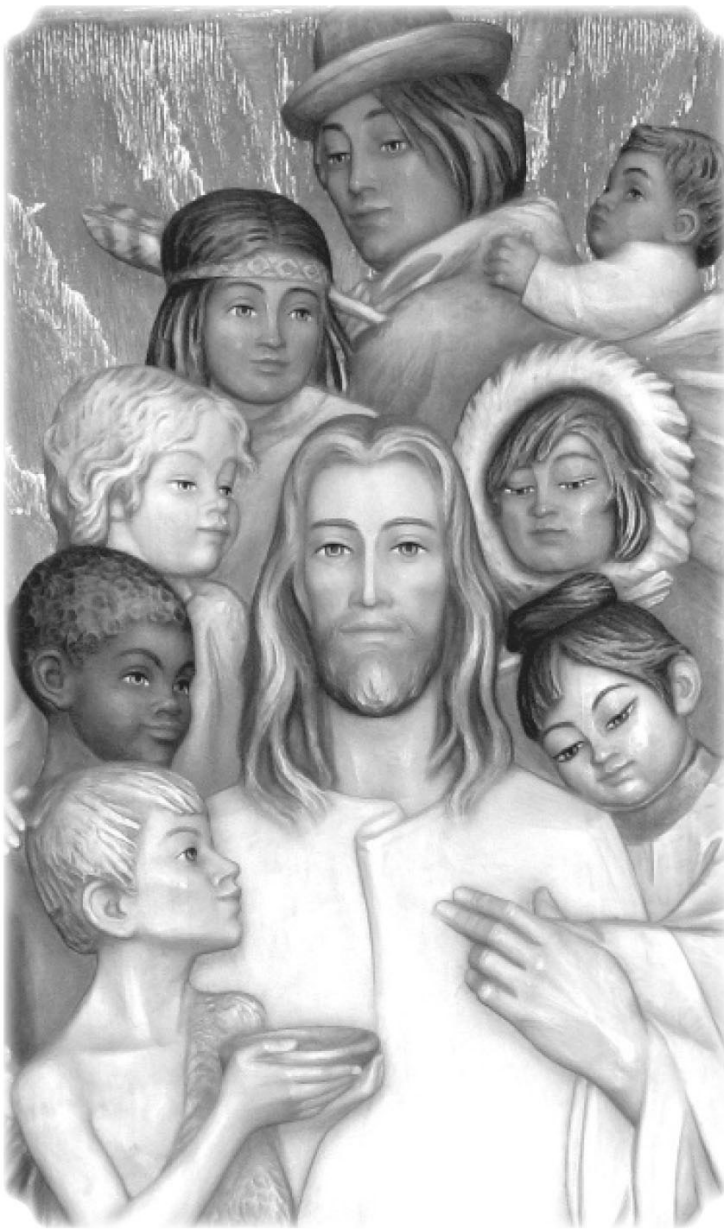
Catholic Women's League

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.





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. 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. Special times for Confessions the week before Christmas are as follows:



Saturday 18 December 9:15 - 9:45 a.m.
4:15 - 4:45 p.m.
Tuesday 21 December 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday 22 December 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Thursday 23 December 9:45 - 11:00 a.m.



Christmas Eve ~ Friday, December 24
7:00 p.m. ~ 12:00 Midnight
Christmas Day ~ Saturday, December 25
10:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 noon

Feast of the Holy Family ~ Sunday, December 26
10:00 a.m. ~ 12.00 noon

Please note: there will be no 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on December 25 or January 1

PLEASE SIGN UP!

Altar servers, eucharistic ministers and ushers are asked to volunteer for the Christmas and New Year’s liturgies. Ushers, please sign-up in the Ushers’ Room, all others in the Sacristy.

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

Novena prayers in preparation for Christmas will be recited before the weekday Masses December 16- 24.





Fr. Victor Amole would like to invite parishioners to join him and the parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Oshawa as they present a virtual Christmas Concert. After a trying two years for us all, the parish of St. Joseph the Worker is proud to present an opportunity to welcome our Saviour's birth at Christmas with songs of joy.

The concert will be performed live. Please join online via their webpage:

<https://stjosephtheworkeros.archtoronto.org>
on Sunday, December 12 (today) at 3:00 p.m.

2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelope boxes will be available for pick-up next weekend for all parishioners who used them this past year. If you would like to start using Offertory envelopes in 2022 please ask Father Jeff for a registration form or call the parish office.



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IN

SOLIDARITY WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

December 12 is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe and has been chosen by the Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council founded in 1998 by the Bishops of Canada, to be the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. When Mary appeared to Saint Juan Diego in 1531 on Tepeyac hill near Mexico City, she appeared with the complexion and attire of a pregnant indigenous woman. Her apparitions precipitated one of the longest conversions in history. Our Lady of Guadalupe is Patroness of the Americas (that is, of all North and South America). All Canadians are invited to join their Indigenous brothers and sisters in praying for healing and reconciliation.



Masses For The Week

Monday	13 December
9:00 a.m.	Saint Lucy, virgin & martyr Special Intention
Tuesday	14 December
9:00 a.m.	Saint John of the Cross, priest & doctor Special Intention
Wednesday	15 December
7:00 p.m.	Special Intention
Thursday	16 December
9:00 a.m.	Special Intention
Friday	17 December
9:00 a.m.	<i>Friday is a day of penitential observance</i> Special Intention
Saturday	18 December
10:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving (Wedding Anniversary) Req.by the Cruz family
5:00 p.m.	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Intentions of Carole Walsh Req.by Trac Ba Luu
Sunday	19 December
10:00 a.m.	Intentions of Margaret & Bill Hotchkiss Req.by Trac Ba Luu
12:00 noon.	Protection of Unborn Children Req.by Masses for Life Project

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

Meetings were recently held to register children for First Communion (Grade 2 and up) and also candidates for Confirmation (Grade 7 and up). Parishioners are encouraged to pray for all those preparing to receive the sacraments. Those preparing for the sacraments are reminded to see Father Jeff after Sunday Mass every week (and Christmas and January 1) to assure him of their presence.





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