

Saint Dunstan's Parish

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Pastor: Rev. Jeffrey Masterson
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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.

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.



During this sacred season of penance, even the liturgical celebrations are characterised by a certain austerity: in seasonal Masses violet vestments are worn, the hymn Glory to God in the highest is not sung, musical instrumentation is restricted to supporting the singing, nor are flowers used to decorate the sanctuary. The acclamation Alleluia, so closely associated with the Easter joy of Christ's resurrection is no longer heard. The celebration of marriage is discouraged during Lent and even the baptism of children, when possible, is deferred until the Easter season. Adults are preparing for baptism (catechumens) and candidates baptized in other Christian denominations are preparing for their reception into full communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. With its emphasis on repentance, all Catholics are encouraged to confess their sins in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation during Lent. Lent is the appropriate time for children preparing for First Communion to make their first confession. During the last two weeks of Lent, the church takes on an added expression of mourning as the crucifix and images are covered with purple.



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NEW COVID PROTOCOLS

Effective March 1, places of worship are now open at full capacity with no physical distancing requirement. Holy water is now available at the church entrance. Those who prefer to receive Holy Communion on the tongue are now able to do so. The wearing of masks is still mandatory.

RITE OF ELECTION

This weekend, our catechumens, Jordan Blain, Amanda Bradbury and Cindy Randall will be enrolled as members of the elect, that is, those chosen and called to receive the waters of new life through Baptism. This rite is usually celebrated by the Cardinal or regional Bishop, but this year, because of the pandemic, will take place in the parish. Please keep our elect in your prayers during Lent as they prepare for their Christian initiation at the Easter Vigil.

During the liturgical Season of Lent we are encouraged and challenged to do penance according to the traditional threefold discipline of the Church: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. In your Lenten almsgiving, please remember the annual ShareLife appeal of the Archdiocese of Toronto.



The first collection for this year's campaign is on March 27. ShareLife invites us to share our gifts with others in thanksgiving for our many blessings. Thousands of people here and abroad will benefit from services offered by ShareLife's 42 agencies. ShareLife envelopes can be found in your Offertory envelope box and are available at the Information Desk and the pamphlet rack.

SUGGESTED LENTEN PENANCES

Prayer: more regular daily prayer; grace at meals; daily Mass; family rosary; Stations of the Cross; visits to the Blessed Sacrament; spiritual reading.

Self-denial: abstaining from certain foods we enjoy or forms of entertainment; giving up snacks, eating in between meals, dessert; reducing the amount we eat; more careful observance of Friday as a day of abstinence from meat; giving up smoking, alcohol, movies, a favourite television programme, computer games.

Charity: begins at home; visiting the sick; volunteer work at a hospital or nursing home; increased sacrificial giving to the church and ShareLife; help the poor in the community through the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

After an hiatus of two years, because of the pandemic, the Archdiocese of Toronto will once again this year, host a Steubenville Youth Conference July 15-17 at Canada Christian College in Whitby. This conference is for students currently attending High School or graduating from Grade 8 in June. Interested students should speak to Father Jeff as soon as possible.

SSVP BUNDLE SUNDAY & FUNDRAISER

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is holding their next Bundle Up Weekend on March 12-13. Volunteers will be on hand after each of the Masses to accept your donations of clothing, shoes, textiles, draperies



and other linens. Please tie your donation bags for easier handling. In addition, a selection of paintings will be available for sale after the Sunday, 12:00 noon Mass to raise funds for the work of the Society. Thanks to parishioners for their ongoing support of our neighbours in need.

40 CANS FOR LENT

The Beaches Council #7008 of the Knights of Columbus invites parishioners to donate cans of non-perishable food to their 40 Cans for Lent project.



All donations will be given to the Good Shepherd Centre. Donations can be placed in the box in the vestibule of the church.

FIRST CONFESSIONS

First Confessions for children registered for First Communion will be Tuesday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Parents are asked to help their children at home to get ready for this important event in their spiritual life.



SPRING FORWARD

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 13. Please remember to turn your clocks and watches forward one hour ahead before retiring next Saturday.



Masses For The Week

Monday 9:00 a.m.	7 March The repose of Otto Vignali Req.by Family & Friends
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.	8 March In Thanksgiving for Trac Ba Luu Req.by Michael Schaub
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.	9 March
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	10 March The repose of Otto Vignali Req.by Family & Friends
Friday 9:00 a.m.	11 March <i>Friday is a day of penitential observance</i>
Saturday 10:00a.m.	12 March Intentions of Precy Ortiz Req.by Virgie Lozano SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
5:00 p.m.	The repose of Cajetan&Justina D'Souza Req.by Michael & Loretta D'Souza
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. 12:00noon.	13 March Intentions of All Parishioners The repose of Jovy Alo Req.by her husband Nick & Family

SAINT JOSEPH NOVENA

Novena prayers in preparation for the Solemnity of Saint Joseph will be recited before the weekday Masses beginning March 10.



REMEMBER
Stations of the Cross
every Friday during Lent
at 7:00 p.m.



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