### Saint Dunstan's Parish

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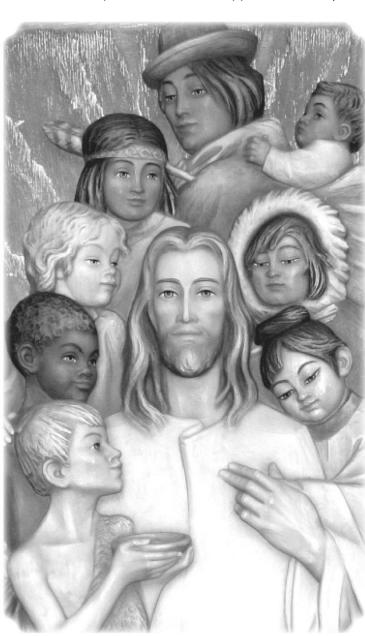
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Pastor:Rev. Jeffrey MastersonDeacon:Rev. Mr. Philip Allard

Secretary: Mrs. Jean Walsh

Office Hours: Parish Office is closed 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.

#### **PASSIONTIDE**

The last two weeks of Lent, commonly called Passiontide, should be, for all of us a time to intensify our Lenten discipline of prayer, fasting and charity as we approach the Paschal Triduum and the great feast of our redemption. As we commemorate the solemn events of Holy Week which won us our salvation, we should reflect on the sufferings and death of the Lord and prepare to renew our baptismal promises at Easter. The violet veils covering the images in the church are a sign of mourning for the death of Christ and a sombre reminder that, free from all distractions, we should focus all our attention on the observance of these most important days and the mysteries they commemorate.



#### **PALM SUNDAY**

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. All Masses next Sunday will begin with a commemoration of Our Lord's entry into Jerusalem and blessed palms will be available at all the Masses.

#### THE DATE FOR EASTER

You may have noticed that Easter occurs on a different date every year and wondered how the date of Christianity's greatest feast is determined. Easter is the Christian Passover, celebrating our liberation from sin through the Paschal Mystery of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. It is observed in the spring around the same time as the Jewish Passover which celebrates Israel's liberation from slavery in Egypt. Since the fourth century the Church has celebrated the Lord's Pasch on the Sunday following the first full moon of spring. Thus the date varies each year, falling between 22 March and 25 April.

#### **EASTER VIGIL REFRESHMENTS**

Those planning to attend the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, the Church's greatest liturgical celebration, are asked to consider helping with the refreshments for the reception following the Vigil. Food for the reception can be brought to the parish lounge before the Vigil begins at 9:00 p.m., Saturday April 16.

#### **GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

Each year, the Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land is taken up on Good Friday in Catholic churches around the world. This collection reminds us that, spiritually, the Church of Jerusalem is the Mother of all churches, since it was here that the Son of God established a new covenant in His blood by the Paschal Mystery of His death and resurrection. For many centuries, on behalf of the entire Church, the Franciscans have ministered to the Catholics of the Holy Land and maintained the holy sites. Please give generously to the Good Friday collection and show your solidarity with our brothers and sisters and the Church in the land of Jesus.

For information on the Good Friday collection and the Commissariat of the Holy Land in Canada visit www.commissariat.ca. For information on the Custody of the Holy Land and the mission of the Franciscans in the Middle East visit www.custodia.org.

#### **HOLY WEEK VOLUNTEERS**

Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers are asked to

volunteer using the schedules in the Sacristy and Ushers' Room.

#### **COVID PROTOCOLS**

Since Monday, March 21, masks are no longer required in places of worship. Parishioners should feel free, however, to continue wearing masks and everyone should respect each other's choice in this matter. Ministers will continue to wear masks for the time being when distributing communion.

#### STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

Steubenville Toronto is back! This year, Canada's largest annual summer youth conference for High School students will take place on July 15-17, 2022, in the auditorium of Canada Christian College located at 300 Water Street in Whitby, Ontario. This year's theme is: "Fearless" (John 16:33).

To view this year's ministry team, theme promo video, photos from previous years, more details visit: www.steubenville.com

Interested students should speak to Father Jeff as soon as possible.

#### THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

The word "synod" is a term that the Church has used for many centuries to refer to a meeting of bishops of a particular region or clergy of a particular diocese. In line with the Second Vatican Council's emphasis on the collegial dimension of the entire episcopate which, communion with the Pope shares pastoral responsibility and solicitude for the Universal Church, Pope Saint Paul VI established the Synod of Bishops in 1965 as a central and permanent institutiton of the Catholic Church. Representing the bishops of the world, the Synod would henceforth ordinarily meet at fixed intervals approximately every two years to discuss various matters of concern. (Extraordinary synods could be convened at other times as needed). Past Synods have reflected on such important topics as evangelization, the Eucharist, the Word of God, the priesthood, the family, married love, youth and vocations.

The Church is now preparing for the next Synod in 2023 on the subject of synodality itself, on how the laity, clergy and the Holy Father "walk together" as Church, a time of prayerful reflection and discernment with a focus on Communion, Participation and Mission. The 2023 Synod will be preceded by a two-year process of worldwide consultation by inviting people in every diocese to share their thoughts, experiences and their hopes for what the Church is called to be. The current diocesan phase will conclude this August.

Go to <u>www.archtoronto.org/synodality</u> to learn more and complete a survey provided by the Archdiocese. Everyone is invited to participate.

#### **UKRAINIAN HUMANITARIAN RELIEF**

The Archdiocese of Toronto has launched a humanitarian relief effort to help the Ukrainian people at this time of crisis. Your donation will asssist refugees who have fled their country. Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: St. Dunstan's Church – Ukrainian Relief – Humanitarian Relief

Please use the yellow Humanitarian Relief offering envelope available in the vestibule.

These envelopes may be added to the regular collection at Sunday Mass



Monday 4 April

9:00 a.m. The Repose of Edson Edralin

Req.by Cruz Family

Tuesday 5 April

9:00 a.m.

Wednesday 6 April

7:00 p.m.

Thursday 7 April

9:00 a.m.

Friday 8 April

Friday is a day of penitential observance

9:00 a.m. The Repose of

Colleen & Reginald Nathaniel

Req.by Gowan Family & Grandchildren

Saturday 9 April

10:00a.m.

#### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

5:00 p.m. The Repose of Rodrigo Sison

Req.by Billiam Sy

Sunday: 10 April

10:00 a.m. Intentions of All Parishioners

12:00 noon The Repose of

Mary & Anthony Albuquerque Req.by Santan & Margaret Lobo



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



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