# Saint Dunstan's Church

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Pastor:	Rev. Jeffrey Masterson
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Office Hours:	Tuesday – Friday
	Call to make an appointment.



# Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass: 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon

# Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 a.m. Wednesday/Solemnities 7:00 p.m. Saturday/Civic Holidays 10:00 a.m. First Friday 12:10 noon 7:00 p.m.

## **Confessions:**

Saturday 9:15-9:45 a.m., 4:15-4:45 p.m.

## **Eucharistic Adoration**:

First Fridays 12:30 - 7:00 p.m.

# Perpetual Help Novena:

Saturday Mass 10:00 a.m.

# 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.



#### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today we celebrate another great feast of the Christmas season, the Epiphany or manifestation of the newborn Saviour to the wise men of the East who are representative of all the Gentile nations for whom the Son of God also became incarnate.Christ is revealed as the Light for all people. Do we bring the Light of Christ to others as we should? The Person and mission of Christ were further manifested at His baptism and by His first miracle at Cana.

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Monday's feast of the Baptism of the Lord continues the Epiphany theme of manifestation. At the beginning of His

public ministry, Jesus is manifested as the Son of God and Saviour by signs and wonders at the Jordan. As the heavens open, the Spirit is seen in the form of a dove descending upon Him and the Father's voice is heard "You are my Son, the beloved; with you I am well pleased" (Lk 3:22). Although Jesus who is sinless has no need of sacramental baptism, He leads the way for His people through the waters of life made holy by the One who is baptized. The immersion in water and coming up again is a sign of the Paschal Mystery of the dying and rising again of Christ by which we are saved. Baptism is, therefore, symbolic of our dying and rising in Christ. The Feast of the Lord's Baptism bring the Christmas season to a close and Ordinary Time begins on Tuesday.



## THE DATE OF EASTER

In former times, when calendars were not available and most people could neither read nor write, the date of Easter was solemnly proclaimed at Mass on Epiphany. It was necessary to announce the date of Easter at the beginning of the year because many other liturgical celebrations depend on its date. 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 of Easter varies from year to year falling between March 22 and April 25. Although the dates of Easter and other feasts are now calculated and accessible years in advance, the traditional Epiphany proclamation still has value. It is a reminder of the centrality of the resurrection of the Lord in the liturgical year and the importance of the great mysteries of faith which are commemorated each year.

#### The following is the Proclamation for 2023:

Know, dear brothers and sisters that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Saviour. On the twenty-second day of February will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season. On the ninth day of April you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the twenty-first day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the twenty-eighth day of May, the feast of Pentecost. On the eleventh day of June, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On the third day of December, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever.

# 1923 ~~ CENTENNIAL OF ST. DUNSTAN'S PARISH ~~ 2023

New Year's ushers in our Centennial Year marking 100 years since our parish was established by Archbishop Neil McNeil. The first Mass was celebrated on October 17, 1923 in the original church (the present church is the third on this site) and on October 28, 1923 the church was solemnly blessed by His Grace the Archbishop. Last Saturday's celebrations on New Year's Eve with Bishop Robert Kasun presiding , was the first of a number of

special Centennial events planned throughout the year. Other celebrations include the following: The Junior Choir from the renowned St. Michael's Choir School will sing at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on 15 April, the Saturday after Easter, and give a 30 minute concert following the Mass. Bishop Kasun will join us again to celebrate the Solemnity of our Patron, Saint Dunstan of Canterbury on Friday, May 19 at 7:00 p.m. A parish picnic is planned for the Victoria Day weekend. In July we are planning a parish trip to London, England where we plan to take a day trip to Canterbury to vist the tomb of Saint Dunstan (more information to follow soon). The Cardinal Archbishop will celebrate the 12:00 noon Mass on October 15 and a Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, October 21. All parishioners are invited to



these special events. If you have friends or relatives who have attended our parish in the past, let them know about our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and invite them to join in our celebrations.

## FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is observed annually January 18-25. The theme of this year's observance is inspired by the message of the prophet Isaiah: "Do good; seek justice" (Is 1:17). High School students aged 13-19 years in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the 21st Annual Friars' Student Writing Contest. Students must write a 500 word essay that explores the 2023 theme. Prizes are awarded to the top three submissions. Students are encouraged to consult the resources available at https://bit.ly/3AgBy5j to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme. See the poster details of the contest at https://bit.ly/3KXgu8m. Contact ecumenism@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext 527 for more information. Deadline for

submission is January 16, 2023.

#### **2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

We still have a number of Offertory Envelopes that have not been picked up yet. Maybe you haven't had a chance, or people have moved and not informed us ~ if you have not had a chance to pick up your 2023 Offertory Envelopes yet, please do so as soon as possible by calling the parish office to arrange a time when you are available. If you are unable to pick up your envelopes due to mobility issues and would like for us to drop them off at your home please notify the office and we can arrange this for you.

## **ANNOUNCED MASSES THIS WEEK**

Monday	9 January
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	
9:00 a.m.	The repose of Joao & Zelia Garcia
	Req.by Delfina Garcia
	10 January
9:00 a.m.	
Wadnasday	11 January
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.	11 January
7.00 p.m.	
Thursday	12 January
Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys, virgin	
9:00 a.m.	
<u>Friday</u>	13 January
Friday	is a day of penitential observance
9:00 a.m.	
<u>Saturday</u>	14 January
<u>Datarday</u>	Our Lady's Saturday
10:00 a.m.	
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
5:00 p.m.	The repose of Theresa Bernadette &
	Matthew Nicholas Franco
	Req.by Jay Franco & Family
<u>Sunday</u>	15 January
10:00 a.m.	Intentions of All Parishioners
12:00noon.	The repose of Jeffrey Burden
	Req.by Maria Bautista

