

# 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.



PLEASE REMEMBER GOD'S CHURCH AMONGST YOUR BLESSINGS AND IN YOUR WILL.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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.



### 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.

### RITE OF ELECTION

This weekend, our catechumens 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 will be celebrated by Bishop Robert Kasun at St. Michael's Cathedral for all the catechumens in the Central Region. Please keep our elect in your prayers during Lent as they prepare for their Christian initiation at the Easter Vigil.



**REMEMBER**  
Stations of the Cross  
after the First Friday Mass  
at 7:00 p.m.

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 26. 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 pamphlet rack. Last year, our parish exceeded our goal set by the Archdiocese, for a total \$27,887.00. Many thanks to our generous parishioners and friends for their support of the ShareLife campaign at St. Dunstan's.



### NEW ARCHBISHOP

On 11 February it was announced that the Holy Father has accepted the resignation of Cardinal Collins and has appointed the Most Reverend Francis Leo as the 14<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Toronto. The Archbishop-designate will be installed as the new Ordinary on the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Saturday, 25 March at a special liturgy in St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Our prayers are with him as he assumes his new responsibilities for Canada's largest and most important diocese.

**PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS**

Please note that the start of the Prayer and Life Workshops has been postponed until Saturday, March 25 at 2:30 p.m., so there is still time for interested parishioners to pre-register by calling Chandra at 647-980-9680 or the parish office at 416-694-2811 ext. 2

**BUNDLE SUNDAY**

The next Bundle Sunday here in St. Dunstan's is the weekend of March 25-26. The St. Vincent de Paul Society truck will be in the parking lot to receive your donations of clothing, shoes, linens and fabrics.

**FIRST CONFESSIONS**

First Confessions for children registered for First Communion will be **Tuesday, March 7 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.

**CENTENNIAL 9-DAY TRIP TO ENGLAND**

One of our projects to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our parish is a trip to England, the birthplace of our parish patron, Saint Dunstan of Canterbury. Our trip is booked for **July 12-20, 2023**. We will be staying at one central hotel in London for the duration of the trip. Cost per person, double occupancy is \$4,580.00 which includes flights & taxes, accommodation, full English breakfast daily and five three-course dinners, all entrance fees and tours as per the itinerary, guide and private coach transportation + gratuities to hotel and restaurant staff. Don't miss out on this amazing trip. If you would like more information or an itinerary please call the parish office 416-694-2822 ext. 2.

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

It has been three years since new altar servers have been trained. As things begin to return to normal at the parish, it is time to invite interested children who have made their First Communion to be trained how to serve Sunday Mass. Applications are available at the receptionist's desk after Mass. Those interested are urged to register for training as soon as possible. Training will consist of three sessions which will be held on a weekday afternoon after school.

**PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH**

*Parishioners are encouraged to keep the Holy Father's intention in their daily prayers*

For victims of abuse, that those who have suffered harm from members of the Church, may find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



**Masses For The Week**

Monday	27 February	
9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Brian Shaughnessy	Req.by Grace Ramirez
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Tuesday	28 February	
9:00 a.m.	The repose of Glancy Paul Mendez	Req.by his Family
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Wednesday	1 March	
7:00 p.m.	The repose of Bernard Fernandes	Req.by D'Souza Family
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Thursday	2 March	
9:00 a.m.	The repose of Jose & Adela Mendoza	Req.by Adelina Meneses
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Friday	3 March	<i>First Friday</i>
	<i>Friday is a day of penitential observance</i>	
	<b>12:10 noon</b>	
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	The repose of Nathaline Fernandes Req.by Shirley & Joseph Vaz
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Saturday	4 March	<i>First Saturday</i>
10:00 a.m.	Helen & Fred Halloran, deceased	relatives & friends Req.by Tardif Family
	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	
5:00 p.m.	The repose of Dorothy & Anthony D'Souza Req.by D'Souza Family	
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Sunday	5 March	
10:00 a.m.	All Parishioners	
12:00 noon	The repose of Nathaline Fernandes Req.by Rodrigues Family	

**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 Good Shepherd Centre. Donations can be placed in the box in the vestibule of the church.



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