# Saint Dunstan's Church

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Pastor:	Rev. Jeffrey Masterson
Deacon:	Rev. Mr. Philip Allard
Secretary:	Mrs. Jean Walsh
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.

## MOROCCO AND LIBYA ~ HUMANITARIAN RELIEF

Two natural disasters have recently struck the region of North Africa with a devastating earthquake in Morocco followed by serve flooding in Libya caused by Storm Daniel. On September 8, in the High Mountain region of Morocco, they experienced a 6.8 magnitude earthquake causing extreme damage to buildings and claiming the lives of thousands of people, with another 5,500 people injured. Since the region is not traditionally prone to large seismic activity, buildings are not built to withstand such large tremors.

Two days after the earthquake in Morocco, a Mediterranean hurricane-type event known as a "medicane" struck the shore and quickly overwhelmed the port town of Derna in Libya. Dams burst allowing rain waters to flood streets and towns. Entire neighbourhoods were washed out to sea due to the storm that displaced over 30,000 people, with 10,000 missing and unaccounted for. As of today, the flood has taken the lives of more than 11,000 people.

While rescue operations are ongoing in both countries, the process is very slow and there is a strong likelihood that the death toll will rise exponentially in the coming weeks.

For those interested in supporting humanitarian relief efforts to help those in need, please note the following:

**Humanitarian Aid for Morocco** ~ The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through our Catholic partners in Morocco to support relief efforts underway. These wishing to help my do so in the following ways: Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website ~ www.archtoronto.org

By phone through the Development Office  $\sim 416-934-3411$ 

Through our parish, making your cheque payable to:

St. Dunstan's Parish ~ Morocco Earthquake ~ Humanitarian Relief

**Humanitarian Aid to Libya** ~ Currently, our Catholic partners are not present in Libya to coordinate relief efforts and as such we are unable to accept donations to aid those affected by the flooding at this time. For those wishing to offer support to the people of Libya, please consider a gift through the Canadian Red Cross in the following ways:

Online through the Red Cross website ~ <u>www.redcross.ca</u>

By phone through the Red Cross ~ 1-800-418-1111

Please continue to pray for those who have died, for those who are missing or displaced because of these tragic disasters in both Morocco and Libya and for all who are working hard to provide relief and rescue in both locations.

## **R.C.I.A/ ADULT CATECHISM**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A), restored following the Second Vatican Council, is the normative way for adults to prepare for baptism in the Catholic Church. The catechetical formation course for the candidates will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm. in the parish lounge starting in October. The course is also intended for other baptized Christians who are considering entering into full communion with the Catholic Church. This course is ideal for cradle Catholics who want to renew their faith and refresh their knowledge of the Church's teaching. Potential candidates are asked contact the parish office in advance at 416-694-2811 ext. 2. Registration is required.

## LIFE CHAIN

Saint John Paul II in his Encyclical Letter, The Gospel of Life wrote, "procured abortion is the deliberate and direct killing, by whatever means it is carried out, of a human being in the initial phase of his or her existence". Many forget that in Canada, the lack of legislation permits abortion, at any time, for any reason, at taxpayer expense. As Catholic Christians, we need to defend life and publicly oppose abortion. Mother Teresa said: "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love but to use violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion." Life Chain is a simple and prayerful way to give public witness to the truth that abortion is the violent destruction of human

life. This year, Life Chain takes place Sunday, October 1 from 2:00 to 3:00p.m. at the intersection of Danforth and Victoria Park Avenues. Please offer one hour of your time for this worthy cause.



#### PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

St. Dunstan's will join hundreds of parishes across Canada on Saturday, October 14 for the 2023 Public Square Rosary Crusade. Everyone is invited for the recitation of the Rosary to pray for

our nation which is in need of prayer, repentance and conversion, outside in front of the church at 12:00 noon Saturday, October 14. For the convenience of our parishioners, the Saturday Mass



will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on this day.

#### **CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS**

October is a month of special celebrations for our parish as we observe our 100th anniversary. It was in October 1923 that the first Mass was celebrated in the original church on this site. Our new Archbishop, Francis Leo, will celebrate the 12:00 noon Mass here on Sunday, October 15 with a reception to follow. The following Saturday, October 21, we will have our Centennial Dinner and Dance at:

**Qssis Banquet Hall**,

3474 Kingston Road @ Markham Road Join fellow parishioners, past pastors & priests, for an evening of good food, dance and socializing.

Enjoy a Three Course Dinner, DJ Dancing & Cash Bar Adult tickets: \$60.00 each

Child (under 11 years): \$20.00 each Tickets are on sale after all Sunday Masses or through the parish office. If you are planning to attend please get your tickets soon as the banquet hall will need to know the number of attendees.

#### **CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM**

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael on Friday, September 29. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. in St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.).

Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovic will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful. Following Mass, there will be a reception. Seating in the Cathedral will be on a first come basis.

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Tuesday:	26 September
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9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Gail Mitchell & Fami
	Req.by. Joan Cover
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	aint Vincent de Paul, priest
7:00 p.m.	Special Intention
Thursday:	28 September
9:00 a.m.	The repose of Wenceslao Rivera
	Req.by Edna & Dennis Solancho
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month for a few hours, to bring Holy Communion to residents. For more information please call Fr. Rheal Bussiere at 416-285-3666 ext. 4233 or email: rheal.bussiere@unityhealth.to



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