

# Saint Dunstan's Church

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**Pastor:** Rev. Jeffrey Masterson  
**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Philip Allard  
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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

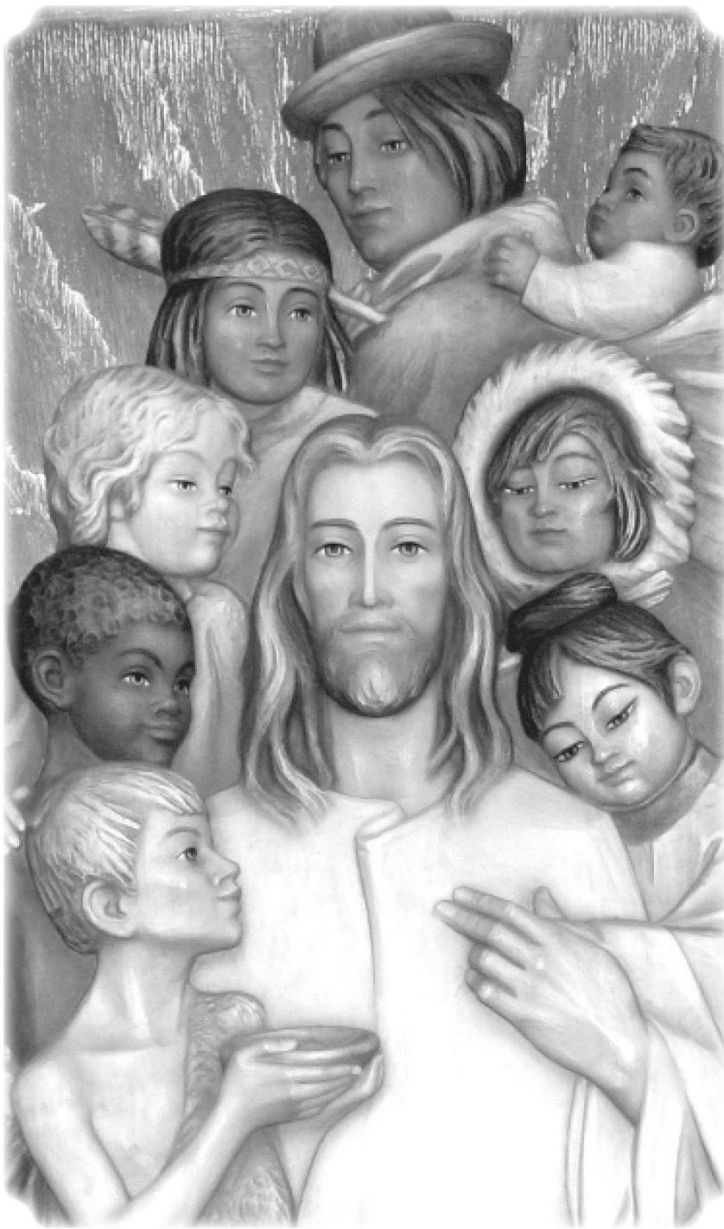
## Catholic Women's League

## 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.

### DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

Dynamic Women of Faith is holding its annual conference for Catholic women on Saturday, March 23 at The Old Mill (Old Mill subway station). Registration 8:00 a.m., Conference 9:00- 4:00 p.m.

Opening Mass at 9:00 a.m. celebrated by Cardinal Collins. Keynote speaker Kathleen Beckman on "A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare". Other speakers include Dr. Anna Boyagoda and Tammy Peterson. Early Bird Registration is \$65 before February 14, \$75 after. Light lunch. Free parking. Door prizes. For more information and to register go to [www.dynamicwomenfaith.com](http://www.dynamicwomenfaith.com) or call 416-907-1042. Tickets also available on Eventbrite:

[dwf2024.eventbrite.ca](http://dwf2024.eventbrite.ca)

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 17. 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. Last year, our parishioners gave a total of \$26,410.00. Many thanks to our generous parishioners and friends for their support of the ShareLife campaign at St. Dunstan's.

### CAMPAIGN LIFE COLLECTION COINS FOR LIFE

Containers are available this weekend for those wishing to help Campaign Life Coalition in its annual "Coins for Life" fundraising project. Throughout Lent deposit your loose change in the container and return it at the end of Lent. Your small change can lead to a big change when you support Campaign Life in its pro-life education endeavours.

### 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.

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY**

The 2024 Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held Saturday, March 2 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre (North Building) 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., with the theme “**Take Heart**” (see **Mark 10:46-52**).

Come experience why thousands return each year. Compelling speakers, testimonials, powerful music, confessions and eucharistic adoration. Archbishop Francis Leo will be the celebrant of the Mass that afternoon. A separate Youth Rally will be held nearby at the John W.H. Bassett Theatre for those aged 13-18. Adult rally \$30, youth rally \$15. For tickets and information, visit

www.ljhr.ca or email contact@ljhr.ca  
or call 647-873-1753

**HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS**

Next weekend, a representative from the organization *Holy Land Christians* will address our congregation briefly at the end of the Sunday Masses, including the Saturday Vigil Mass, about the work of the organization as well as the present situation of Christians in the Holy Land impacted by the ongoing conflict there. After Mass, unique hand-carved olive wood religious items made by families in Bethlehem will be available for purchase in the parish lounge. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters. Cash, debit/credit cards and cheques accepted. We have hosted this organization several times over the past years. More than ever, our support is needed and greatly appreciated. Please pray for an end to the hostilities in the land of Jesus. For more information and other ways to help: [www.HolylandChristians.ca](http://www.HolylandChristians.ca)

**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 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.

**FIRST CONFESSIONS**

First Confessions for children registered for First Communion will be **Tuesday, March 5 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.



**Masses For The Week**

- Monday:** 19 February *Family Day*  
**10:00 a.m.**
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- Tuesday:** 20 February  
9:00 a.m.
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- Wednesday:** 21 February  
7:00 p.m. The repose of Paskin & Dominic Lobo  
Req.by Margaret & Santan Lobo
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- Thursday:** 22 February  
**CHAIR OF SAINT PETER, apostle**  
9:00 a.m.
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- Friday** 23 February  
*Friday is a day of penitential observance*  
9:00 a.m. The repose of Rupert Wilson  
Req.by Debbie Wilson
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- Saturday:** 24 February  
10:00 a.m. The repose of John & Julie Peter  
Req.by Lourdes Peter  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**  
5:00 p.m.
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- Sunday:** 25 February  
10:00 a.m. Intentions of All Parishioners  
12:00 noon The repose of Tony Helou

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

Children preparing for First Communion and candidates for Confirmation are reminded to see Father Jeff after Sunday Mass every week, to assure him of their presence.



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



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