

Saint Dunstan's Church

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Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday
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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.

SAINT JOSEPH

Tuesday, March 19 is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph. A solemn Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited to celebrate the Patron of the Universal Church and Patron of Canada. Canada was first consecrated to Saint Joseph by the Franciscan Recollet Fathers in 1624.



Devotion to Saint Joseph was brought to our area by the Jesuit missionaries who dedicated the land of Huronia to the foster-father of the Saviour. The church at the mission of Sainte-Marie near Midland, where the bodies of Saint Jean de Brebeuf and Gabriel Lalement were first interred is named after Saint Joseph as is the present Martyrs' Shrine church. The largest church in the world dedicated to Saint Joseph is here in Canada: St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal, founded by Saint Andre Bessette.

Let us pray to our great Patron, Saint Joseph, for the people of Canada, our government and national institutions, and that our society may protect and defend the sanctity of human life, marriage and the family. May our country remain true to the Christian values and foundation on which it was built and to which the Catholic Church has been an important contributor.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

The schedule of liturgies and confessions for Holy Week is inserted in this week's bulletin. Parishioners are advised to keep their schedule in a convenient place at home for easy reference.

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.



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.

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.

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.

LENTEN FILM SERIES

This week our third film “The Cardinal,” another “Catholic” movie from the sixties which follows the tumultuous life of a priest from his ordination to his elevation to the College of Cardinals. This inspirational and powerful movie is based on the international bestselling novel of the same name by Henry Morton Robinson and portrays the love, courage and sacrifice of one man struggling to be faithful to his vocation. The storyline deals with such issues as interfaith marriage, abortion, racism and war. Set in Rome, Boston, Georgia and Vienna. The film is just under 3 hours long; there will be an intermission. As always, the movie is free and showtime is 6:00 p.m. On Palm Sunday, March 24 our Lenten Film Series concludes with “Miracle of Marcelino,” the award-winning 1955 movie which has warmed the hearts of millions around the world. A child is abandoned at the doors of a Franciscan friary. The friars take him in and raise him but the boy yearns for a mother’s love. Then Marcelino befriends the Man on the Cross.

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, March 30.

HOLY WEEK VOLUNTEERS

Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers are asked to volunteer using the schedules in the Sacristy and Ushers Room.

“JOURNEY THROUGH LENT”

Parishioners may be interested to know that a Lenten video series entitled “Journey through Lent” provided by the CCCB (Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops) is available on the CCCB website: www.cccb.ca/lent/

GOOD FRIDAY WALK

The 44th Annual Good Friday Way of the Cross Walk sponsored by the Knights of Colubus will take place on March 29, beginning at St. Theresa’s Church (Shrine of the Little Flower) at 9:00 a.m, stopping at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, St. Dunstan’s and concludes at Our Lady of Fatima at approximately 11:45 a.m. For more information contact Bill Chandler at 416-346-4998 or email bill@chandlerandco.ca and see the poster on the bulletin board.



Masses For The Week

Monday 18 March
9:00 a.m. Intentions of Margaret&Bill Hotchkiss
Req.by Trac Ba Luu

Tuesday 19 March
SAINT JOSEPH
Principal Patron of Canada
7:00 p.m. Intentions of Theresa Campbell
Req.by Isabel Campbell

Wednesday 20 March
7:00 p.m. The repose of Colleen Nathaniel
Req.by Gowan Family

Thursday 21 March
9:00 a.m. The repose of Victoria Fojas
Req.by Ed & Dolores Parayno

Friday 22 March
Friday is a day of penitential observance
9:00 a.m. The repose of Lorenzo&Atanacia Rivera
Req.by Ed & Dennis Solancho

Saturday 23 March
10:00 a.m. The repose of Fiona Fernandes
Req.by Lourdes Peter
PALM SUNDAY OF

THE PASSION OF THE LORD
5:00 p.m. The repose of Damian&Theodine D’Souza
Req.by D’Silva Family

Sunday 24 March
10:00 a.m. Intentions of All Parishioners
12:00 noon The repose of Necitas Ollavides
Req.by Terrie Alberastine

YOUTH INTERFAITH VIDEO CONTEST

Sponsored by the Dominican Friars for High School students. Deadline April 15 at 3:00 p.m.

For theme, contest rules go to:
www.catholicregister.org/videocontest



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