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# Saint Dunstan's Church

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# A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Creator,

In this season of gratitude and abundance,
we give You thanks for our many blessings
as we pray for all who struggle with hunger and want.
Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.
Keep their faith strong as they await relief.
And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one

Amen

another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.

#### **THANKSGIVING**

Every year, the Thanksgiving holiday gives Canadians an opportunity to give thanks to God for all His blessings.



Even though this observance was originally celebrated to give thanks for a bountiful harvest by the first generations of European settlers in Canada, we can all take advantage of the occasion to express our gratitude for everything good we enjoy in this land including our families, friends, neighbours and parishioners, and our country in which people from all over the world have come to start a new life in freedom and peace. Our God also wants us to share the goods of the earth with all people. Thanksgiving is one of the annual observances designated by the Bishops of Canada as special Days of Prayer.

Please note that Mass on Monday, October 13 ~ Thanksgiving Day will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m.



#### GOOD SHEPHERD THANKSGIVING ~ FOOD DRIVE

Once again this year, St. Dunstan's is supporting the Good Shepherd Ministries Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Good Shepherd served thousands of meals last year to those living on the streets or with low income and they need to refill their pantry. Parishioners can bring their donations to church when you come to Mass this **Thanksgiving weekend October 11-13**. Good Shepherd needs canned tuna and salmon, canned vegetables, soups and stews, pasta sauce, cookies, peanut butter, jams, coffee, tea, sugar, rice, powdered milk. Please NO fresh or frozen food. Thank you for your continued generous support of those in need.



#### LIFE CHAIN

A good number of people joined in the local Life Chain at the intersection of Danforth and Victoria Park Avenues



last Sunday, parishioners of St. Dunstan's and other local parishes and many priests and seminarians from St. Augustine's. Thousands across North America witnessed to their conviction that human life is sacred and deserves protection from conception to natural death. Many thanks to all our parishioners and friends who demonstrated their support for the right to life of the unborn and stood up for the culture of life.

#### **EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBITION**

Our parish will host the Vatican-approved Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles from around the world, designed and created by the newly canonized Saint Carlo Acutis. Even before his death at the early age of 15, Carlo had caught the attention of the Vatican when he used his computer skills to create this exhibit detailing eucharistic miracles. The exhibit will be here at **St. Dunstan's 25-30 October** with the church open for special hours of viewing daily. The exhibit features a series of panels, each telling the story of a particular miracle. Carlo's purpose in creating this exhibit was to increase awareness of the Real Presence of Christ in



the Blessed Sacrament and promote Eucharistic adoration. At the Sunday Masses, October 26, the faithful will have an opportunity to venerate a relic of Saint Carlo.

#### **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY – OCTOBER 19**

At the initiative of Pope Pius XI in 1926, the second last Sunday during

October became known as World Mission Sunday. Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the missions. The collection is



organized by the Pontifical Missions Society. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples. As agreed by the Holy See and the Bishops of Canada, a portion of the Canadian contributions to this collection will assist six dioceses in Northern Canada which for many years had also been under the jurisdiction of the Congregation.

#### **MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST**

Magnificat, A Ministry to Catholic Women, is an international ministry that exists to evangelize and to encourage Catholic women to grow in holiness through opening more fully to the power and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Through the Magnificat Prayer Meals, this anointed ministry provides opportunities for a faith-sharing experience in a relaxed social setting. Magnificat ministers to women whose faith in the person of Jesus Christ has allowed them to believe in the activity of God's spirit in their lives. It also has great appeal to those women who may be struggling with faith or who have lost touch with the Church.

Join Mary, Cause of our Joy, Toronto Chapter for their 51<sup>st</sup> Magnificat Breakfast. Treat your mother, sister, colleague or friend to an inspirational morning that includes a hot breakfast, praise and worship led by spirit-filled music ministry, a personal testimony of the transforming love of Christ in the life of an invited speaker. Priests will be available for women wishing to avail themselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Saturday, October 25, 2025 ~ 9:30 a.m. ~ 12:30 p.m.

St. Benedict Parish Hall 2194 Kipling Ave. Etobicoke, ON

Doors open at 9:00 a.m. ~ Registration: \$35.00

**Guest Speaker: Aurora Almonte** 



Monday 13 October

Mass For Thanksgiving

**10:00 a.m.** In Thanksgiving ~ 97<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Req.by Mervyn Domingue

Tuesday 14 October

9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Wednesday 15 October

Saint Teresa of Jesus, virgin & doctor

7:00 p.m. Repose of Yvonne Gowan

Req. by Family

Thursday 16 October

Saint Marguerite d'Youville, religious

9:00 a.m. Deceased members of Magistrado

Family

Req.by Lucy Buslon

Friday 17 October

Friday is a day of penitential observance

Saint Ignatius of Antioch, bishop & martyr

9:00 a.m. Repose of Ignacia Rivera

Reg.by Dennis & Edna Salancho

Saturday 18 October

SAINT LUKE, evangelist

10:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving, Wedding Anniversary

Reg.by Dennis & Edna Solancho

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. Repose of Marianna&Francis Gonsalves

Req.by Loretta & Michael D'Souza

Sunday: 19 October

10:00 a.m. Intentions of All Parishioners

12n:00 noon Repose of Isaac Peter

Req.by Santan & Margaret Lobo







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