

Saint Dunstan's Church

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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.



CANDLEMAS

On Monday, 2 February the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Forty days after the birth of Jesus, His parents brought the newborn Child to the Temple to present Him to God and offer the sacrifice prescribed by the Mosaic Law. In memory of Simeon's canticle acclaiming Jesus as the Light of the peoples, candles are blessed, hence the name "Candlemas" given to this feast. Every Catholic home should have blessed candles which may be used for family prayers and devotions, and especially when the priest visits to bring Holy Communion or to anoint the sick. Candles will be blessed at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. An offering of \$5.00 is suggested for those who would like a box of two blessed candles. Parishioners should feel free to bring their own candles to be blessed.

BLESSING OF THROATS

Tuesday, February 3 is the memorial of the martyr-bishop Saint Blaise who is invoked against diseases of the throat. The traditional Blessing of Throats will be given after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday.

The celebration of blessings holds a privileged place among all the sacramentals introduced by the Church for the pastoral benefit of the People of God. Blessings of the sick originate in the practice of Christ Himself and His apostles. The annual Blessing of Throats indicates the continual struggle against illness which marks life in this world. Saint Blaise was bishop of Sebaste in Armenia in the fourth century who saved a boy from choking on a fishbone lodged in his throat.

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY**

The 2026 Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held Saturday, March 14 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre (North Building) 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. with the theme "No Greater Love". Come experience why thousands return each year. Compelling speakers, inspiring personal testimonies, powerful praise & worship music, and eucharistic adoration. A separate Youth rally for those 13-18. Adult rally \$49.00, Youth rally \$25.00 For tickets and information,

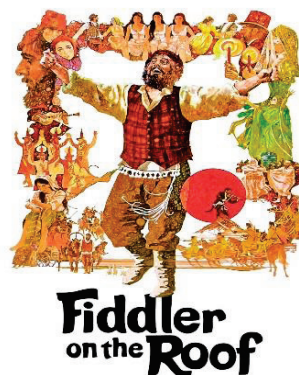
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FREE FAMILY MOVIE

The acclaimed "Fiddler on the Roof" is one of the world's most popular and beloved musicals. Released in 1971, the film earned eight Academy Award nominations and won three Oscars. Directed by Canadian Norman Jewison and conducted by John Williams, "Fiddler on the Roof" tells the story of a poor milkman (Tevye) in czarist Russia, who is struggling to provide for five unmarried daughters amidst rising antisemitism. Like a fiddler on the roof, Tevye is trying to keep his balance amid the personal and political upheavals around him. A joyful celebration of life, love and family, one critic called it "the most powerful movie musical ever made".



Postponed from last Sunday due to inclement weather the film will be screened next

Sunday, February 8 at 4:00 p.m.

Running time is just under 3 hours; there will be an intermission.

CATECHUMENATE

Last weekend at the Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass we welcomed our catechumen, Laquit Khan in the brief *Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens* who has been following our course of instruction in the Catholic faith and is preparing for Baptism at Easter. At the Rite last Saturday he publicly declared to the Church his intention to follow the Christian way of life. Please support him with your prayers for perseverance in his spiritual journey.

YEAR OF SAINT FRANCIS

Pope Leo XIV has declared a Jubilee Year of Saint Francis for the 800th anniversary of the Saint's death. Saint Francis died on the evening of 3 October 1226 at the church of Saint Mary of the Angels in Assisi, also called the Portiuncula. His feast day is celebrated the following day, on 4 October.

The Franciscan Jubilee was inaugurated by a decree issued on January 10 by the Apostolic Penitentiary of the Holy See. Until January 10, 2027, the Catholic faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence by making a pilgrimage to any Franciscan church or place of worship named after Saint Francis or connected to him, and there recite the Lord's Prayer and the Creed, under the usual conditions of sacramental confession, reception of Holy Communion, and prayer for the intention of the Holy Father (at least one Our Father and one Hail Mary). The indulgence can be obtained for oneself or the souls in purgatory by those, "who, with a spirit detached from sin" fulfil the above mentioned-conditions. The sick and elderly and those who, for serious reasons, are unable to leave their homes will be able to obtain a plenary indulgence as well by joining "spiritually in the Jubilee celebrations of the Year of Saint Francis, offering their prayers to the Merciful God, and the pains or sufferings of one's life".

In his letter to the Ministers General of the Franciscan Order on this occasion, Pope Leo expressed his hope that Saint Francis' "message of peace may find a profound echo in the Church and society today" because "the peace that the Seraphic Father proclaims is the peace that Christ Himself made resound between Heaven and Earth".

17th ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2026

Le Treport Banquet Hall, Mississauga

Doors open 8:00 a.m

Program 9:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.

Light Lunch ~ Free Parking ~ Door Prizes

Speakers include Johnette Williams, host of EWTN's
Women of Grace

Mass celebrated by Bishop Ivan Camilleri

Early Bird Registration (before February 14)

Register at www.dynamicwomenfaith.com or

Tickets available at dwf2026.eventbrite.ca

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.



Monday 2 February

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

World Day of Consecrated Life

9:00 a.m. Repose of Amanda De Estrada
Req.by Her Daughter

Tuesday 3 February

Saint Blaise, bishop & martyr

9:00 a.m. Intentions of Andera Campbell
Req.by Isabel Campbell

Wednesday 4 February

7:00 p.m. Repose of Ernesto Calla
Req.by Ellen Grace Calla & Family

Thursday 5 February

Saint Agatha, virgin & martyr

9:00 a.m.

Friday 6 February *First Friday*

Friday is a day of penitential observance

Saint Paul Miki & companions, martyrs

12:10 noon

7:00 p.m. Repose of Alex & Filomena Rodrigues
Req.by Anthony Rodrigues & Family

Saturday 7 February *First Saturday*

Our Lady's Saturday

10:00 a.m. Helen & Fred Halloran, deceased
relatives & friends
Req.by Tardif Family

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. Repose of Jane Palacio
Req.by Ingrid Arzaga & Family

Sunday 8 February

10:00 a.m. Intentions of All Parishioners

12:00 noon Repose of Glancy Paul Mendez
Req.by Family





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