

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

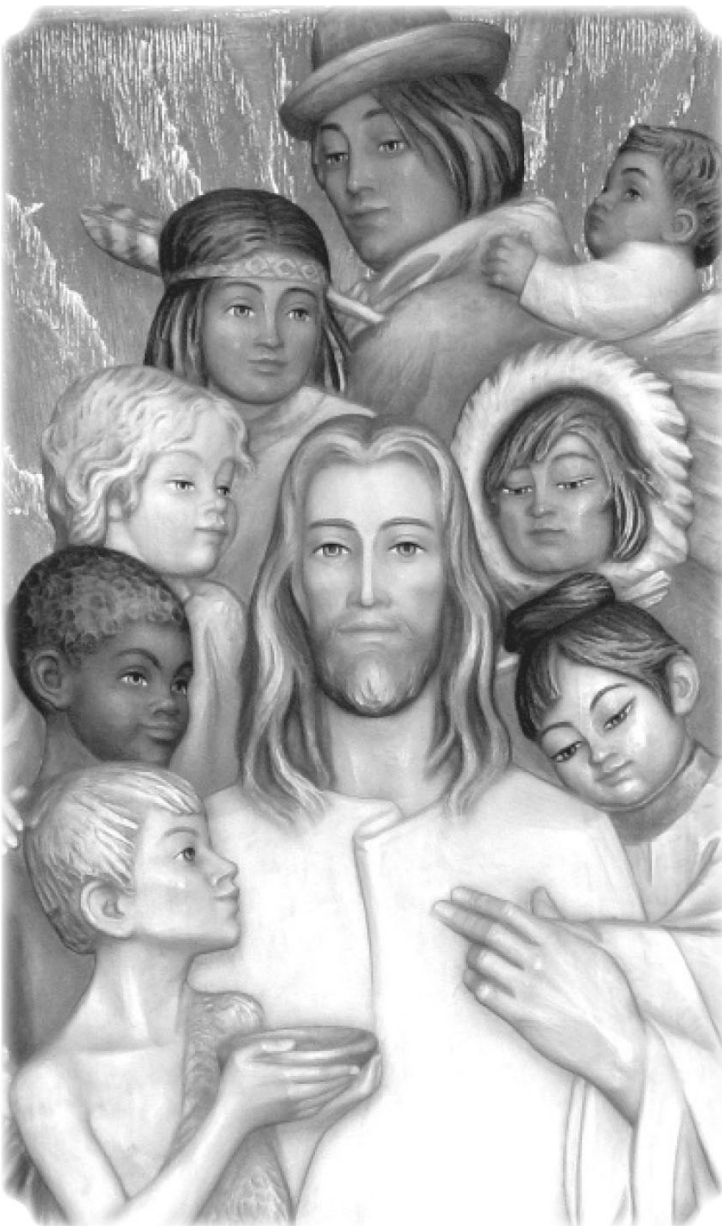
Catholic Women's League

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.



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place **next weekend 26-27 September 2026**. The annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment.

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."



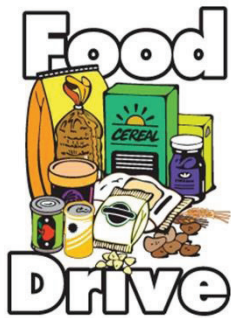
Many forget that in Canada, the lack of legislation permits abortion at any time, for any reason, at taxpayer expense. As Catholic Christians, we need to defend life and publicly oppose abortion. Mother Teresa said: "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love but to use violence 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 4 from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the intersection of**

Danforth and Victoria Park Avenues. Please offer one hour of your time for this worthy cause.

INDIGENOUS HEALING AND RECONCILIATION

As part of our ongoing commitment to support healing and reconciliation, the Archdiocese of Toronto has made a commitment to provide funds in support of programs and initiatives that respond to the various needs that exist among Indigenous Peoples both locally and throughout the country. The indigenous Healing and Reconciliation fund is part of a national effort announced by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. **The next collection weekend is October 3/4** and provides an opportunity for the faithful to contribute to this important initiative.

For more information or to donate online please visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation - thank you for your generosity.



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 they come to Mass on **Thanksgiving weekend October 10-12**. Good Shepherd needs canned tuna and meat, canned vegetables, soups and stews, pasta sauce, condiments, peanut butter, granola bars, pancake mix, jams, coffee, tea, sugar, rice, powdered milk. Thank you for your continued generous support of those in need.

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 7:00 p.m. in the parish lounge starting this week on Tuesday 22 September**. The course is also intended for other baptized Christians who are considering entering into full communion with the Catholic Church. This course is also ideal for cradle Catholics who want to renew their faith and refresh their knowledge of the Church's teaching. Potential candidates are asked to contact the parish office in advance at 416-694-2811, ext 2. Registration is required.



The season of Creation calls the entire global Christian family to care for God's creation through prayer and action. At its origin, the Season of Creation began with the Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitriosn I announcing a "Day of Prayer for Creation" for the Orthodox Church on September 1, 1989, and many major European churches followed, embracing it as part of their calendar in 2001. The Catholic Church officially adopted the Season of Creation in 2015 coinciding with the encyclical "Laudato Si". The season begins on September 1 (the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and ends on October 4, the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology.

PRAYER FOR OUR EARTH

All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

Pope Francis, *Laudato Si*



Monday 21 September
SAINT MATTHEW, apostle & evangelist
9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Tuesday 22 September
9:00 a.m. Repose of Amanda De Estrada
Req. by her daughter

Wednesday 23 September
Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, priest
7:00 p.m. Repose of Benedita Gomes
Req. by Joana, Owen & Lawrian

Thursday 24 September
9:00 a.m. Repose of Rodrigo Manalo
Req. by Corazon Manalo & Family

Friday 25 September
Friday is a day of penitential observance
9:00 a.m. Repose of Ionajae Morton
Req. by Family

Saturday 26 September
Saints Cosmas & Damian, martyrs
10:00 a.m. Protection of Unborn Children
Req. by Masses for Life Project
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
5:00 p.m. In Thanksgiving
Req. by Lobetti Family

Sunday 27 September
10:00 a.m. Intentions of All Parishioners
12:00 noon Repose of Joffre Arzaga
Req. by Family





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