

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor	Rev. Michael Machacek
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Permanent Deacon	Mr. Gerry Almeida
Administrative Assistant	Joanna Andrews
Youth Minister	Courtney Strom
Caretaker	Mr. Antonio Marinucci



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Last Sunday of each month at 12:45 p.m.
Those concerned MUST contact the parish office well in advance, because of the general instruction.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
OR anytime by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance.

SACRAMENT FOR THE SICK & ELDERLY

If a family member is in hospital and needs to receive the Sacrament for the sick/elderly, please approach the Nurses' Station, and request them to contact the "Priest on Duty". A priest will always be on-duty for these requests at all hospitals in the Greater Toronto Area.

DEVOTIONS

DAILY ROSARY: Prior to all Weekday Masses.

MONDAYS: CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY 10:00 AM; CENACLE OF OUR LADY 10:15 AM.

TUESDAYS: Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena, 6:30 PM.

WEDNESDAYS: OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA 6:30 PM.

THURSDAYS: SACRED HEART DEVOTION 10:00 AM.

FIRST FRIDAY (October-June)

Mass: 9:30 a.m.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Silent Adoration: 10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.
Benediction: 10:50 a.m.

We Welcome All New Parishioners:

Please register at the Parish Office during office hours. Thank you.

Please remember Nativity of Our Lord Parish in your will.

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - CLOSED
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon;
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon;
1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
SATURDAY - CLOSED
SUNDAY
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:
5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS:
9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	9:30 a.m.
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:30 a.m.
Friday	9:30 a.m.

OUR SCHOOLS

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YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Mass: Sundays 11:30 am
Email: nativityyouth@outlook.com
Website: <http://www.myparish.org>
LifeTeen Program for High School Students -
every 2nd & 4th Fridays of the month.
EDGE Program for Grades 7 - 8 Students -
every 1st, 3rd & 5th Fridays of the month;
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

GROUPS

Altar Guild:	Alice Mycan
Altar Servers:	Fr. Michael
Bereavement Support Group:	Linda Wisz
Bible Study	Linda Wisz
Caring Ministry: Gabriela Herman	416-695-0169
Catholic Cemeteries:	416-733-8544
Catholic Family Services:	416-921-1163
Charismatic Prayer Group:	Theresa Smith
Children's Liturgy:	Anita Jakovcic
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Knights of Columbus: Frank Messina	416-716-8423
Lay Ministers of Eucharist:	Clive Ferrao
Lectors:	Leslie Borbas
Legion of Mary:	Karen Armstrong
Public School Religious Ed.:	416-621-2732
R.C.I.A.:	Deacon Gerry Almeida
St. Vincent de Paul Society:	416-695-0169
Ushers:	Leonard Roach
Welcoming Committee:	Angela Reid
Youth Ministry:	Courtney Strom

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isaiah 63:16b-17,19b; 64:2-7 A sinful people await God's presence.

1 Corinthians 1:3-9 God's gifts prepare the Corinthians for Christ's return.

Mark 13:33-37 Be alert for the coming of the Lord.

In the midst of pre-holiday hyperactivity, we are offered this quiet season of reflection on Christ's coming among us, especially in unexpected moments. As with our ancestors in faith, his final return is unknown to us, so we probably don't think about it very much. But how aware are we of his presence to us now? Have we thought about what your response might be whenever or however he makes himself known to us? Advent is or time to do that.

2018 Offertory Envelopes

The 2018 Offertory Envelopes are now available in the Church Hall. The envelope boxes are arranged by envelope number. If you do not remember your envelope number, there are binders available, listing the names in alphabetical order and the corresponding envelope number on the left hand side.

We request parishioners to kindly check that the information on the label is current and accurate. If there are any changes, please inform the Parish Office.

We invite all families who are new to the parish to come and register as parishioners and avail of the boxed envelopes for regular offertory donations.

N.B. Please do not use previous year's envelopes in the new year. If you did not use your envelopes at all during the year and you do not find one for you, please come to the Parish Office, and we will gladly issue a new one for your use.

2017 - 2018 Sunday Missals.

The Sunday missals for the New Year 2017-2018 are available in the pews. Kindly leave these missals in the church for the use of all parishioners. Personal copies of the new Sunday missals are available in the Parish Office for \$5 each.

2017 Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, Sunday December 24th,

5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass
9:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Day, Monday December 25th,

9:00 am Christmas Day Mass
11:30 am Christmas Day Mass

Celebrant at this mass will be Most Rev. John Boissonneau Auxiliary Bishop Western Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

2018 New Year Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve, Sunday December 31st,

5:00 pm New Year's Eve Mass

New Year's Day, Monday, January 1st,

9:00 am New Year's Day Mass
11:30 am New Year's Day Mass



RECONCILIATION SERVICE CONFESSIONS

Monday, December 11th, 2017, 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm

All parishioners are invited to take advantage of this opportunity to come to confession and prepare for the coming of our Saviour at Christmas!

Catholic Women`s League



**** CWL Christmas Luncheon ****

Date: December 10, following the 9:00 am CWL Mass

Time : From 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Place : Crystal Grand Banquet Hall 2110 Dundas St E. Unit 4

Cost : \$42.00

Tickets can be purchased by Alice Mycan 416-621-0689 or Mela DaCunha 416-626-6485

Reminder Annual Membership Dues

If you have not already done so, please see Alice Mycan with your membership payment.

Sign-up Sheets – Church Ministries

Once more, we look forward to the assistance of our different ministries for our Christmas celebration; e.g., lectors, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers and ushers. We have sign-up sheets available in the sacristy and (for the ushers) in the ushers' room. Kindly sign-up for the mass where you can assist, so that we can plan our masses accordingly.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Help Needed December 16th

Volunteers are needed to deliver Christmas boxes to families in our neighbourhood. Drivers, vehicles (vans, trucks, cars) and helpers, please come to the Church Hall on Saturday, December 16 at 10:00 am. If the weather prevents delivery on Saturday we will deliver them on Sunday, December 17 at 1:00 pm. In addition to your helping hands, your vehicles, carts, and dollies the deliveries should only take a couple of hours. This is an excellent way for you and your families to share the joy of the Christmas Season with others in our community. Thank you for helping. Please call John at (416) 626 0142 if you have any questions.

Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY



EDGE: December 15

Grades 7 – 8

1st, 3rd, & 5th Fridays of the month
7 – 9 pm in the Church Hall



Next LifeTeen : December 8

Grades 9 – 12.

2nd & 4th Fridays of the month
7 – 9 pm

If you would like to get involved or have any questions about our Youth Ministry programs, contact Courtney: Nativityyouth@outlook.com
416- 621-2732 Ext 22

YOUTH MASS
Every Sunday 11:30 am

School Masses

Mother Cabrini School Mass will be held on, Thursday, 14th December, at 6:30 pm

Nativity of Our Lord School Mass will be held on, Monday, December 18th at 7:00 pm.

All parishioners are welcome to join the student bodies at these Masses.

The Season of Advent

Advent is a period of preparation, extending over four Sundays, before Christmas. The word *Advent* comes from the Latin *advenio*, "to come to," and refers to the coming of Christ. This refers, first of all, to our celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas; but second, to the coming of Christ in our lives through grace and the Sacrament of Holy Communion; and finally, to His second coming at the end of time.

Our preparations, therefore, should have all three comings in mind. We need to prepare our souls to receive Christ worthily.

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