

# THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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## OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor	Rev. Michael Machacek
In Residence	Rev. John Mullins
In Residence	Rev. Anthony Akpanessien
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

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD  
35 Saffron Crescent  
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## YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Mass: Sundays 11:30 am  
Email: [nativityyouth@outlook.com](mailto: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
C.W.L. President:	Nancy Fenech
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

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
GAUDETE SUNDAY**

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11 The prophet announces glad tidings and vindication.

2 Thessalonians 5:16-24 Awaiting Christ's promised return.

John 1:6-8, 19-28 "There is one coming among you..."

Today we are in the rhythm of both gratitude and yearning. Between the two, there is great space for hope. We are learning to be a patient people. Continuing on, grateful but also impatient, in hope. We don't give up hoping just because some of the things we long for in God's reign of peace and justice have already happened. We're there, and yet we're not. So much remains unfinished; so many have not yet experience what has been promised.

**2018 Offertory Envelopes**

The **2018 Offertory Envelopes** are 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.

We request parishioners to kindly check that the information 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 yourself, 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.

**Parish Office Closed**

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December through Thursday December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**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.**

**\*\*\* Please note NO mass on Tuesday,  
December 26<sup>th</sup> \*\*\***

**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



**Liturgical Publications**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin March 2018 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905 624 4422.

## Catholic Women`s League



Dear Ladies our **Planning Day** will take place on Saturday January 13, 2018 from 10:00 to 1:00 in our parish hall.

Please feel free to bring a brown bag lunch along with a pen and calendar. Refreshments and sweets will be available.

This is also open to any of our lady parishioners that might be interested in learning more about our activities in the league.

### Reminder Annual Membership Dues

Ladies please contact Alice Mycan at 416-621-0689 with your payment.

### Exercise Classes

We are pleased to welcome Gentlemen to our new Co-Ed Exercise Classes every Thursday beginning January 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.

Ladies (55+) Exercise Class will continue every Monday beginning January 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.

Cost is \$ 4.00 per class. Come out and join us and bring a friend!

## Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY



*EDGE: January 19*

Grades 7 – 8

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



*Next LifeTeen : January 12*

Grades 9 – 12.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:Nativityyouth@outlook.com)  
416- 621-2732 Ext 22

**YOUTH MASS**  
**Every Sunday 11:30 am**

## Nativity of Our Lord NEW Office Hours

Starting 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018, the parish office will now be open on Monday and closed on Friday.

*Following are the new hours:*

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:

9:00 am to 12 noon and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
(Closed: 12 noon to 1:00 pm)

Wednesday:

9:00 am to 12 noon and 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
(Closed: 12 noon to 1:00 pm)

During the summer months (July and August) the office will close at 5:00 pm.

**Friday: Closed**

Sunday: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

## 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.



## Welcome to Kindergarten™



Mother Cabrini Catholic School is pleased to announce that our Kindergarten Registration for SEPTEMBER 2018 will commence on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 10:00a.m. EST. Parents/guardians with children born in 2014 or earlier and who will be enrolling in Kindergarten, have the opportunity to apply on-line using the "Student On-line Admission and Registration" platform known as S.O.A.R. and can be found on this link: <http://soar.tcdsb.org>

[Please contact Mother Cabrini for registration information 416 393 5340.](#)

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