

# 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, TUESDAY, THURSDAY  
9:00 a.m. - 12 NOON;  
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
9:00 a.m. - 12 NOON;  
1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
FRIDAY & 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](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
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Knights of Columbus: Frank Messina	416-716-8423
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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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**Jeremiah 31:31-34** God creates a New Covenant with the suffering Israelites.  
**Hebrews 5:7-9** Jesus became the source of Salvation, obedient through suffering.  
**John 12: 20-33** God's voice confirms that Jesus' passion is approaching.

As Lent progresses, we come closer to the heart and meaning of the Gospel: that Jesus must suffer and die for new life to happen. There is nothing here about rules, practices, theological formulae or perfection. Jesus embraced what is painful and frightening to achieve life on our behalf. Those of us who call ourselves Christian must be willing to walk the same road.



*Living the Gospel locally and around the world*

"It is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world. Sometimes the results are obvious and sometimes they're invisible, but always they make a tangible difference in the lives of the people we are helping. **Please prayerfully consider how you can be supportive today on ShareLife Sunday.**"

—Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.

**Today is ShareLife Sunday.  
 Thank you for your generosity.**

***Come and See Weekend: St. Augustine's Seminary***

**Friday, March 23 (begins at 6:30 p.m.) to Sunday, March 25 (ends at 1:30 p.m.)**

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). Registrants 17 years old require parental consent. For more information, please contact Fr. Michael or the Office of Vocations at: 416 968 0997; email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

**Ministries Sign-up Sheets for Easter Schedule**

Our Easter celebrations are heavily dependent on the generosity of our volunteers in the different ministries. Once again, this year, we ask you to please indicate your availability by signing up for your different ministries. The sign-up sheets for Altar Servers & Eucharistic Ministers are in the sacristy. For our Ushers the sign-up sheets are in the Usher rooms.

**LENT**

**Fridays of Lent:** During Lent, we celebrate on Fridays the regular **9:30 am** Mass; in addition, we celebrate a mass at **7:00 pm**. This mass is followed by the **Stations of the Cross**, led by the different organizations of the parish. All parishioners are invited to participate.

**Lenten Reconciliation Evening:**  
**Monday, March 19 from 6:45pm to 8:00pm**  
 We will hold our Lenten Reconciliation evening here at Nativity of Our Lord. A number of priests will be in attendance to hear your confession.

**Triduum Schedule 2018**



Holy Thursday March 29	<b>NO MORNING MASS</b> 7:30 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper The Holy Thursday Liturgy will be followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.
Good Friday March 30	12:00 noon	Solemn Good Friday Liturgy
	3:00 pm	Solemn Good Friday Liturgy
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross by Youth
HOLY SATURDAY March 31	7:30 pm	EASTER VIGIL MASS
EASTER SUNDAY April 1	8:00 am )	EASTER SUNDAY MASSES
	9:30 am )	
	11:30 am )	

MARCH 18, 2018

## Catholic Women's League

**Membership Fees** are due. Please contact Alice Mycan at 416 621 0689 with your payment.

**General Meeting** held 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm meet in the hall. We will then proceed to the church for "Stations of the Cross through Mary's Eyes".

### **Eucharistic Adoration - The Summit March 28 at Nativity of Our Lord Church 7:45PM-8:45PM**

The Eucharist is the Source & Summit of the Christian life.

Come join us for our first Summit as we enter into the Holy Triduum.

Hosted by Nativity's Youth Ministry.

**All are invited!**

### **Divine Mercy Event - Sat March 24<sup>th</sup>**



Held at Nativity of Our Lord Parish Hall  
9:00am - 4:00pm

**\$15.00 Admission includes:** Lasagna or Roti Chicken Sandwich Luncheon.

#### **Features Talks by Father Terrence McKenna**

\*Unpacking the riches of Divine Mercy and the Novena. \*Understanding the urgency of the message of Divine Mercy \*Claiming the Divine Favours for ourselves and our families \*What our tradition has revealed about the future.

Sts. Peter and Paul Praise & Worship Group Music Ministry. "Appeals of Our Lady" Exhibit.

Admission \$ 15.00 **ALL must RSVP in advance please. EMAIL: [divinemercurytoronto@gmail.com](mailto:divinemercurytoronto@gmail.com) or Call: Marilyn at 416-259-7477.**

### **A LENTEN JOURNEY : Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup>**

Conducted By: Br. Savio Rodrigues.

8:45 am. to 4:30 p.m.

#### **Eucharistic Celebration at 9:30am**

We invite you to join us to celebrate a Lenten Prayer Service. Praise & worship, talks on God's love, repentance & forgiveness, accepting Jesus as Lord and Saviour and a surrender service with the Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament.

Registration is required: Please call:

Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish 416 247 0513 or email: [tranlord45@gmail.com](mailto:tranlord45@gmail.com)

Free admission with refreshments & a light lunch.

## Nativity of Our Lord

### YOUTH MINISTRY



*EDGE: April 6*

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 : March 23*

Grades 9 – 12.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the month

7 – 9:30 pm

### **YOUTH MASS**

**Every Sunday 11:30 am Nativity's**

### **EDGE Adventure Camp**

A 5 day Catholic Adventure Camp with many sports & activities, catechesis, Mass, praise & worship and fellowship! A fun and exciting Christ-centered camp experience!

Who: Students currently in grades 6-8

Where: Camp White Pine- Haliburton, ON

When: August 18-22, 2018

Cost: Early price- \$400 all- inclusive before April 5<sup>th</sup> (transportation, food, accommodation & camp gear). \$450 April, 15<sup>th</sup> onward.

**Registration is now open & will close on May 4<sup>th</sup>.**

Space limited to a first come, first register basis.

Forms can be picked up/dropped off at the Parish office.

Please contact Courtney for more information.

### **Summer Day Camp @ Nativity**

"Not Just a Summer Camp" - We're incorporating our Catholic faith with fun sports, games, crafts, music, baking & more!

**Who:** Students currently in grade 1-6

**When:** 1<sup>st</sup> Session: July 16-20, 2<sup>nd</sup> session: July 23-27

**Time:** 9am-3:30pm (Extended care available 8-9am, 3:30-5pm)

**Cost:** \$120 (Includes t-shirt)

Registration forms can be picked up/dropped off at the Parish Office. **Registration will begin February 12<sup>th</sup>.** Spots are limited. Contact Courtney @ [nativityyouth@outlook.com](mailto:nativityyouth@outlook.com).

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