

# 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
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Caring Ministry: Gabriela Herman	416-695-0169
Catholic Cemeteries:	416-733-8544
Catholic Family Services:	416-921-1163
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Children's Liturgy:	Anita Jakovcic
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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



## Catholic Women`s League

Ladies your food or dessert contributions can be dropped off in the church hall prior to the Easter Vigil mass on Saturday March 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **REFLECTIONS ON PALM SUNDAY & HOLY THURSDAY**

**Palm Sunday:** Today we celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem, the week before His death and resurrection. Palm Sunday, properly referred to as "Passion Sunday", marks the beginning of Holy Week, which concludes on Easter Sunday.

The Bible reveals that when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowds greeted Him with waving palm branches, and by covering His path with palm branches. Immediately following this great time of celebration in the Ministry of Jesus, He begins His journey to the cross.

The Holy Thursday Liturgy marks the end of Lent and the beginning of the sacred "Triduum" ("three days") of Holy Week, which culminates in the Easter Vigil, and concludes at Vespers on the evening of Easter day. The Mass begins in the evening, because Passover began at sundown; it commemorates Our Lord's institution of the Holy Eucharist at the last Supper. It also shows both the worth God ascribes to the humility of service, and the need for cleansing with water (a symbol of baptism) in the Mandatum, washing, commemorating Jesus' washing the feet of His apostles, as well as in the priest's stripping of the altar. Cleansing, in fact, gave this day of Holy Week the name Maundy Thursday.

The action of the Church on this night also witnesses to the Church's esteem for Christ's Body present in the consecrated Host in the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, carried in solemn procession to the Altar of Repose.

Following the mass, there is an Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament by the people until midnight, just as the disciples stayed with Our Lord during His agony in the Garden of Gethsemane on the Mount of Olives before his betrayal by Judas Iscariot.

## 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 : April 13*

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 5th (transportation, food, accommodation & camp gear). \$450 April, 15th onward.

**Registration is now open & will close on May 4th.**

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:** 1st Session: July 16-20, 2nd session: July 23-27

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

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

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



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