THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor In Residence In Residence Permanent Deacon Administrative Assistant Joanna Andrews Youth Minister Caretaker

Rev. Michael Machacek Rev. John Mullins Rev. Anthony Akpanessien Mr. Gerry Almeida Courtney Strom 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)

9:30 a.m. Mass: 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

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

OUR SCHOOLS

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD 35 Saffron Crescent 416-393-5288

MOTHER CABRINI 720 Renforth Drive 416-393-5340

MICHAEL POWER/ ST. JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL 105 Eringate Drive 416-393-5529

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
C.W.L. President:	Nancy Fenech
Knights of Columbus: Frank Messi	ina 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

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Acts 4:32-35 Evangelism and daily life in the early church.

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1 John 5:1-6 The importance of faith and live in the community.

John 20:19-41 Jesus challenges Thomas' doubt.

In the heart of this season of Easter rejoicing, we are reminded that faith is sometimes fragiule and circuitous. If e listen carefully, we realize that Scripture relays another truth about people who struggle and need to be convinced. This is a good Sunday for those of us who have ever experienced doubt and who need to hear that God still loves and forgives us. That describes most of us.

Joan DeMerchant, Celebrations, April 2018.

Feast of Corpus Christi On 3rd June, 2018

Nativity of Our Lord will be celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi.

This year our event will be on Sunday, starting with the 11:30 am mass. Following will be a solemn procession through our neighbouring streets and ending with some family fun.

> Please mark your calendars. More details to follow!

SL ShareLife www.sharelife.org

Living the Gospel through immediate mental health services

Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in counselling. This initiative can often meet clients' need without requiring longer term counselling. Clients report a clinically signifcant increase in confdence that they can tackle their problems. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping restore hope to those in crisis.

> April 22 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.



Fr. Peter Osuntope's Fund Raising Easter Concert

All parishioners, who have been here in the last 5 years will fondly recall Fr. Peter's time here at Nativity and his wonderful gift of music.

Fr. Peter will be visiting Nativity this month. He will be holding a fund raising concert in support of his school - The Cecilian Academy of Sacred Music – located in the Archdiocese of Lagos. Fr. Peter who started this school is also the Director of it.

We invite all Nativity parishioners and friends to attend the concert in the parish church on **Sunday April 15th, at 7:00 pm.**

Please keep in mind the concert is free, however a collection, will be taken up in support of The Cecilian Academy of Sacred Music.

If you are unable to attend the concert, but still wish to support Fr. Peter's, Academy, you can;

- 1) place your donation in an envelope marked "Fr. Peter" in the regular collection,
- 2) give this envelope to the parish office
- 3) you can give the envelope to Fr. Peter himself,

Please note cheques are to be made out to <u>Fr.</u> <u>Peter Osuntope.</u>

Please be aware that these donations are NOT eligible for income tax receipts.



Catholic Women's League

Ladies reminder that the Spring Humber Valley Regional meeting will take place this Thursday, April 12 at the 7:00 pm Mass at Miraculous Medal Church (located at 739 Browns Line reception and meeting follows after mass



Parish Ushers Are Needed !

Nativity of Our Lord Parish has a need to recruit Ushers to serve at our Weekend Masses.

Our Ushers play an important part in serving the Liturgy by helping to establish a climate of welcome, helpfulness and order among those gathered for worship.

The commitment of your time is minimal. Ushers serve at masses that they normally attend. The schedule requires an Usher to only commit to four months a year during the masses they attend. A standard orientation program will be provided.

Joining the Ushers' Ministry will enhance your Liturgical Service in a spirit of generosity.

To sign up, please contact the parish office or call Len Roach at 416 620 5473



ACTS Retreat Weekends at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre

ACTS is an acronym for:

Adoration – God's Call, your acceptance & answer Community – love and caring for each other Theology – "studying" through scripture & our faith Service – to God and His people

Come and renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and to apply it to your daily life.

Women's Retreat: April 26 – 29, 2018 Men's Retreat: May 24 – 27, 2018 Retreat Location: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga, ON

Contact:

Dorothy Shinkaruk (Women's Retreat) 647 504 3175 Christoph Cieslak (Men's Retreat) 416 660 4041 For more info, please visit our website: www.actscanada.org

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YOUTH MINISTRY

EDGE: April 20 Grades 7 – 8 1st, 3rd, & 5th Fridays of the month 7 – 9 pm in the Church Hall

CLIFE TEEN

Next LifeTeen : April 13 Grades 9 – 12. 2nd & 4th 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 Christcentered 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.

Steubenville Toronto.

Canada's largest Catholic Youth Conference – Steubenville brings together some of the best Catholic speakers and musicians in North America and provides opportunities for teens to encounter Christ.

Who: all those currently in grades 9 - 12

When: July 13th – 15th, 2018

Where: UOIT Campus, Oshawa.

Cost: \$200.00 (Includes: accommodations, t-shirt, all meals &transportation) \$100.00 non-refundable deposit before May25th. Forms can be picked up/dropped off at the parish office.

Please contact Courtney for more information.



