

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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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, 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.

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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
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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 9:26-31 Saul preached boldly in Jerusalem.
1 John 3:18-24 Loving and believing in Christ is to keep his commandments.
John 15:1-8 "I am the vine, you are the branches."

Today's Gospel challenges the depth of our relationship to Christ, who calls himself the vine and us, the branches. The immediacy of this relationship was palpable among the early Christians. But what is it for us? We've been invited into something far deeper and more intimate than our relationship to our own family or someone we love. How comfortable are we with this invitation?

Joan DeMerchant, Celebrations, April 2018.

First Communion

At the 5:00 pm mass on Saturday, May 12th and the 11:30 am mass on Sunday May 13^h. Some of our young parishioners will celebrate their First Communion here at Nativity of Our Lord. We gratefully appreciate the efforts of Miriam Hennessy, the volunteer catechists, the school's and the parents who worked together to prepare our children to receive their First Reconciliation and First Communion. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers



Living the Gospel by helping newcomers to Canada

Angie moved to Canada to marry a man she met online. He was not who he seemed; she endured emotional and physical abuse. While he was at work, she started attending language classes at Catholic Crosscultural Services. Staff at CCS connected her with a settlement worker in the women's program. Angie received the support she needed to exit her violent relationship and live independently, free from abuse. Angie is one of over 3,000 clients helped annually by CCS programs funded by ShareLife.

**May 27 is the next ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.**

Feast of Corpus Christi 3rd June 2018

Nativity of Our Lord will once again be celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi. This year our event will be on Sunday, June 3rd, starting with the 11:30 am mass. Following will be a solemn procession through our neighbouring streets and ending with some family fun and barbecue on the parish grounds.

We are now gratefully accepting new items and gift cards or certificates to be used for the Silent Auction.

Proceeds from the Silent Auction will be used to offset event costs as well as support a school in Bethlehem.

All questions concerning contributions can be directed to: Magda Renta: mrenta@rogers.com
Donations can be dropped off at the Church Office during office hours.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Please mark your calendars.

More details to follow!

From Fr. Peter Osuntope

To all parishioners and families of Nativity of Our Lord Church,

I wish to thank all of you who were able to make it for my Fund Raising Easter Concert last Sunday the 14th April. In spite of the terrible weather I was very happy to see so many parishioners and friends. My sincere thanks to the Summit Band, Emily Canning, Sien and Siena Tigley, all of whom accompanied me with their amazing gifts of music. I also wish to thank Fr. Michael, along with the parish pastoral council, who made this event possible to assist with raising funds to support The Cecilian Academy of Sacred Music in the Archdiocese of Lagos.

Finally I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for the many donations, greeting cards and expressions of encouragement that you have given me these past two weeks. I will pray for each one of you and your families, and I hope you will continue to keep me in your prayers.

**God Bless
Fr. Peter Osuntope.**

Catholic Women`s League



Spring Rummage Sale.

Dear Parishioners please keep the CWL in mind for our Spring Rummage Sale. Some of you may be starting to do some spring cleaning around your homes. Please keep in mind that on Friday May 18, from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm your items will be accepted that day in the parish hall. Items that we collect are: small countertop appliances, toys, skates, skis, bikes, children and adult clothing, books, dishes, glasses, vases etc.

C.W.L Scholarship to St. Michael's College

The Toronto Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is offering a scholarship to St. Michael's College. This scholarship is open to any young woman who is of Catholic faith, who is completing her secondary school education, and who has indicated on her application to the University of Toronto that St. Michael's College is her first choice. The applicant must be entering the Faculty of Arts and Science in one of the following areas of study: Commerce, Computer Science, Humanities and Social Sciences or Sciences. The applications must be submitted by May 31, 2018.

Contact: C.W.L Ivana Pejckovic at 647 648 7892.

Knights of Columbus Nativity of Our Lord Council 12735 Communion Breakfast

(please note this Revised date)

Sunday, May 27th After the 9:00 am mass.

**PANCAKES, TOAST, SCRAMBLED EGGS,
BACON, SAUSAGE, JUICE AND COFFEE
FOR \$5.00 EACH.**

Starting May 7th tickets are available in the parish office during office hours. Monday to Thursday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and after the weekend masses at the churches main lobby entrance (the Rathburn Road doors).

Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY



EDGE: May 18

Grades 7 – 8

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



Next LifeTeen : May 11

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 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.

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 May 25th. Forms can be picked up/dropped off at the parish office.

Please contact Courtney for more information.

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