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

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezekiel 17: 22-24 God's sovereignty is like a cedar shoot.

2 Corinthians 5: 6-10 We are like exiles, living in faith.

Mark 4: 26-34 The Kingdom of God is like a seed.

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For those of us struggling to make our way through life toward the fullness of the reign of God, perspective is everything. Stories from the past, and faith and hope in the future, help us to live in the present. It has always been this way for God's people. Like them, "we walk by faith, and not by sight." Though we cannot see the future, it is enough. We continue to plant our seeds, make our plans, and move forward toward the harvest.

SL ShareLife www.sharelife.org

Living the Gospel by helping isolated seniors

In partnership with Catholic Family Service agencies and six parishes in Peel Region and Simcoe County, ShareLife is funding a pilot project that connects trained volunteers with isolated and lonely seniors. Volunteers cultivate relationships by conducting home visits, making phone calls, and linking seniors with community resources. Through your generosity, ShareLife is connecting these seniors with the support they need.

Please make a sacrificial gift to ShareLife through our parish or <u>sharelife.org</u>

School Masses

As the school year comes to a close, the School Graduation masses will be held here in our church for both of our elementary schools. We welcome all parishioners to join the entire student body at these masses. Details of the masses are as follows:

Nativity of Our Lord School – Wednesday 20th June at 10:30 am.

Mother Cabrini School – Thursday 21st June at 10:30 am.

Congratulations to all the graduates and we wish all the students a safe and happy summer holiday.

Canada Summer Jobs Update

Dear Parishioners:

On Friday, June 1st, we received a letter from Service Canada informing us that our application for funding for 3 positions for students for the summer had been rejected. This came as no surprise, as we had been informed in advance by the Archdiocese that the federal government had refused to change their insistence that all applicants sign off on an attestation clause that both the nature of the positions and the organization's core mandate were in full compliance with the government's stance on abortion rights.

In fact, 27 parishes or organizations within the Archdiocese of Toronto have also been rejected for the same reason. This will severely affect such projects as Summer Bible Camps and essential Social Outreach services that have been provided over the years.

In recognition of our need to support our Parish Summer Bible Camp as well as to provide additional support for caretaking projects around and within the church, we have proceeded to hire 2 students for this summer. The cost of these positions, which includes salaries and the associated mandatory benefits, is \$19,000. The Archdiocese of Toronto is mandating all parishes who have been directly affected by the federal government's position to hold a special 2nd collection. As well, unaffected parishes are strongly encouraged to hold a 2nd collection in solidarity and support of those affected parishes and organizations.

This special collection will be held in our parish on the weekend of July 21/22, which is the weekend between the 1st and 2nd week of our Summer Bible Camp. Further details will be provided next week. Thank you and bless you!

Fr Michael Machacek.

Catholic Women's League

4th **Annual Indigenous Mass – Sunday June 24**th At St. Bonaventure Parish located at 1300 Leslie St. North York. Mass at 12 Noon followed by a reception with smudging and drumming. Come and learn the traditions of our First People

> Deacon Gerry's 20th Anniversary of Ordination!



Join us in celebrating this milestone blessing in Deacon Gerry's life this weekend. After our 5:00 pm Saturday evening mass we will be honouring Deacon Gerry and his wife Stella as he celebrates 20 years as a permanent deacon in the Roman Catholic Church. It has been our pleasure to have both Deacon Gerry and Stella here at Nativity. Please join us in the parish hall after the 5:00 pm mass to congratulate both Deacon Gerry and Stella. There will also be an opportunity to congratulate them on this Sunday the 17th of June after both masses during the Coffee Sunday gatherings. Please note his actual anniversary date is this coming Wednesday, June 20th.

Why Should We Register Here At Nativity of Our Lord Church?

Registering as a parishioner of Nativity of Our Lord offers you and your family members a number of benefits:

- You will receive a box of numbered envelopes which will be your parish registration number.
- You can choose to use our Pre-Authorized Giving Plan for your financial contributions to the parish.
- You will get an official income tax receipt for all of your financial donations to the parish and other charities sanctioned by the Archdiocese of Toronto.
- When you need a pastoral reference from the pastor for any job-related inquiries, the parish will have the information necessary to provide you with the needed reference letter.
- You become an official member of a dynamic and vibrant faith community.



Renew Toronto Young Adult Conference

A conference for all Young Adults ages 19-39. It is an opportunity to grow in faith alongside likeminded people at a similar stage of life. The conference will offer unique opportunities for students, young adult professionals, young couples and families, men & women!

The conference is on Saturday October 13th, at Isabel Bader Theatre on the University of Toronto campus, downtown Toronto. Please check out <u>http://ocytoronto.org/renewto/</u> for more details.

Ultimate Frisbee

All high-school students are invited to meet Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the youth office before we head over to the field at Wellesworth together. Come practise with us as we prepare for the annual inter-parish tournament on August 11th! Contact Courtney for more info @ nativityyouth@outlook.com.



Bulletin Summer Break

The June 23rd / 24th edition of the parish bulletin will be our last one before the summer break. We will resume publication on Sunday, September 2nd, 2018. All sacramental program dates will be published in September.



