

# 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
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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

**NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Isaiah 49: 1-6 The lord's servant is called from his mother's womb.

Acts 13: 22-26 Paul proclaims John's special role.

Luke 1: 57-66, 80 The birth of John, the Messiah's precursor.

Today we celebrate the birth of the final prophet, John the Baptist, whose message was to prepare for Jesus in the context of repentance and promise.

*Thank you*

Our sincere thanks to Rev. Fr. Michael, the parish staff, members of the CWL, the Knights of Columbus and all the parish ministries. We also extend our gratitude to all our parishioners of Nativity of Our Lord parish, for your overwhelming well wishes and prayers. Thank you all for making my 20<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary a memorable day.

*Deacon Gerry, Stella and family.*



**ShareLife Update**

On behalf of the 37 Catholic agencies and organizations that are supported by ShareLife, a big thank you to the countless parishioners who donated to this year's ShareLife campaign. This year's goal that was set by the Archdiocese of Toronto for Nativity of Our Lord was \$74,000. To this point over \$83,000 have been contributed by Nativity Parishioners either through the parish or on-line directly, to ShareLife!

Thank you for your generosity! *Fr. Michael.*

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**Summer...**

During the summer months when families avail of well-deserved time off away from the parish, kindly remember that fixed overhead expenses remain the same for the Parish. One way of remembering the Parish is our Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG). Call the Parish Office 416 621 2732 for details.

*Religious Education Program*

Nativity of Our Lord Parish offers the following religious education programs beginning September 2018:

**First Communion/First Reconciliation Program**  
Sacramental preparation for First Communion & First Reconciliation is held for children of registered parishioners who are enrolled in Grade 2 and higher.

**Confirmation Program**  
Sacramental preparation for Confirmation is held for children of registered parishioners enrolled in Grade 7 or older.

**Public School Religious Education Program**  
Registered parishioners whose children are enrolled in the public schools are invited to register their children in this program. This program will provide basic religion classes. **Registration in this program is mandatory for students studying in public schools and wishing to be prepared for First Communion and students wishing to be prepared for Confirmation.**

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**  
Would you or anyone you know be interested. to be *Baptized Catholic*, or to be *Received into the Catholic Church (having been baptized in another faith)*, or to receive the sacrament of *Holy Eucharist (First Communion) or Confirmation*?

The RCIA is the process offered in the Catholic Church for the above purposes. It is also a process available to practicing Catholics seeking a deeper understanding of their faith. RCIC is a similar program for children up to 16 years of age who would like to be baptized or received into the Catholic Church.

For further information or registration in September, please call the Parish Office at 416 621 2732.



**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS.**

**OUR NEXT BULLETIN WILL BE ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 2nd, 2018.**

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## Canada Summer Jobs Update

Dear Parishioners:

On Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> collection. As well, unaffected parishes are strongly encouraged to hold a 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> week of our Summer Bible Camp.

Further details will be provided via announcements from the pulpit.

Thank you and bless you!

Fr Michael Machacek.

## Missionary Preaching and Appeal - 2018

At the weekend masses of August 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>, we will have our annual Mission Appeal.

This year the Archdiocese of Toronto has arranged for a priest from the Missionaries of Africa to deliver the annual mission appeal.

For envelope box users, if you wish to make a donation, please use the yellow envelope dated July/August "Mission Co-op". Your generous support will be much appreciated, Thank you.

## Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY



***Have a safe summer and see  
you in September!***

### 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.

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### Renew Toronto Young Adult Conference

A conference for all Young Adults ages 19-39. It is an opportunity to grow in faith alongside like-minded 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 13<sup>th</sup>, at Isabel Bader Theatre on the University of Toronto campus, downtown Toronto. Please check out <http://ocytoronto.org/renewto/> for more details.

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### Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed Wednesday, August 15, 2018 – 7 pm

You are invited to the **Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed** on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

The two closest cemetery locations for this annual mass are as follows:

- Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga.  
Celebrant: Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau
- Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge.  
Celebrant: His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins.

***In the event of rain:*** mass will be held in the mausoleum of both Assumption and Queen of Heaven. For more information, please refer to the poster on our Bulletin Boards

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