# THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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#### **OUR PARISH TEAM:**

Rev. Michael Machacek Pastor Rev. John Mullins In Residence

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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)

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.



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 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**

St. Vincent de Paul Society:

Welcoming Committee:

Youth Ministry:

Ushers:

Altar Guild:	Alice Mycan
Altar Servers:	Fr. Michael
Bereavement Support Group:	Linda Wisz
Bible Study	Linda Wisz
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Public School Religious Ed.:	416-621-2732
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416-695-0169

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# TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 35: 4-7 Be strong! Fear not! Here is your God!

James 2: 1-5 Show no partiality.

Mark 7: 31-37 He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.

We gather today as the blind person who does not see the suffering in our world. We are the deaf person who does not hear the cries of the poor and the mute who fails to speak up against injustice. We come to Jesus for healing so we may speak out against people and systems that oppress and silence the voices of the least among us.

## A Response From Cardinal Collins Regarding: Sexual Abuse and The Catholic Church

Thomas Cardinal Collins has provided a letter to the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto, as well as a document listing resources regarding Sexual Abuse and the Catholic Church.

Since the late 1980's, the church in Canada has worked to provide specific measures to address abuse allegations. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we have abided by a detailed Safe Environment Policy for almost 30 years. We screen thousands of volunteers to serve in ministry each year, conduct criminal background checks, and most importantly, extensive screening and testing for all candidates to the priesthood. We have developed and updated our **Policy** Proceedures for Cases of Alleged Misconduct and will continue to do so. The procedures outline how we address any allegation of misconduct by clergy or lay employees of the available Church. They are online www.archtoronto.org/about-us/safeenvironment.

# Liturgy of the Word with Children

We will start on Sunday October 14<sup>th</sup>, at the 9:00 am mass, for children in Grades 1 to 5.

# First Communion /First Reconciliation Program

Nativity of Our Lord Parish offers this program beginning September 2018:

A mandatory
Parent Information Meeting
will be held in the church hall on:
Tuesday September 18th - 7:30 pm

Sacramental preparation for First Communion & First Reconciliation is held for children of registered parishioners who are enrolled in Grade 2 and higher. If you were unable to attend the *Parents' Information Meeting* please contact the Parish Office.

## **REGISTRATION** in the PARISH OFFICE

From: September 19, 2018
To: October 9, 2018
Please bring a copy of your child's Roman
Catholic Baptism Certificate and \$50.00

# 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.

N.B. Registration in this program is mandatory for students studying in public schools and wishing to be prepared for First Communion.

Fr. Michael and coordinators for our sacramental preparation programs will explain the details of the program during the Parents' Information Meetings as mentioned above.

Questions will be entertained from all interested parishioners about each of the programs.

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

# Catholic Women's League



### **CWL Welcome Back Punch & Pot Luck**

On Tuesday September 11, at 7:30 pm in the hall. Bring your favourite dish or dessert AND BRING A FRIEND. A warm welcome extended to the ladies of our parish, to see what CWL is all about.

# Nativity of Our Lord Youth Ministry 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

All are invited to Nativity of Our Lord Parish's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Youth Ministry. Here at the parish on Saturday September 29th, 2018.

Mass with Bishop Boissonneau at 5:00 pm. Eucharistic Adoration in Thanksgiving at 6:00 pm. followed by a celebratory reception at 7:00 pm

# **Prayer Group**

The Nativity of Our Lord Prayer Group will resume on Wednesday evening September 19<sup>th</sup> after the 7:00 pm mass. For further information please contact Theresa Smith at (416) 620-5436.

# Life Chain Sunday September 30th, 2018

Life Chain is a peaceful public witness of Pro-Life individuals standing for about one hour praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. Nativity of Our Lord's intersection will be at — Burnhamthorpe and The West Mall from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

# Ladies Exercise Class

The Ladies Exercise Class resumes on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>September 13</u>, <u>2018</u>, with the same schedule: Mondays & Thursdays, 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm. All ladies are welcome, bring a friend!

# Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY



### EDGE Kick-Off: October 19

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



## LifeTeen Kick-Off: October 12

Grades 9 – 12. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the month 7 – 9:30 pm Upstairs Rm 1

If you would like to get involved or have any questions about our Youth Ministry programs, contact Courtney: youthminister@nativityym.com 416-621-2732 Ext 22

## YOUTH MASS

Every Sunday 11:30 am

# **Knights of Columbus Council 12735**

Save the Date
Dinner/Dance - Saturday October 20th



# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Nativity of Our Lord Bible Study

Bible Study will begin on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm in the hall.

This year we will study INTERCESSORY PRAYER

– a 9 week session based on the Scriptures.

Booklet written by Ann Sheilds. (approx. \$13.00)

Come and see what the scriptures reveal on how to pray for ourselves and others. This is an opportunity to learn about prayer, increase your faith and trust in the Lord. Bring your Bible. Contact Linda Wisz at 416-620-7662.

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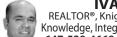
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