## THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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

Rev. Michael Machacek Pastor Rev. John Mullins In Residence

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)

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
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Catholic Cemeteries:	416-733-8544
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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

416-695-0169

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#### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jeremiah 33: 14-16 God's promise for justice will be fulfilled.

1 Thessalonians 3:12 4:2 Paul offers hope to the waiting Thessalonians.

Luke 21: 25-28 34-36 Stand ready at all times; redemption is at hand.

Has there ever been a time when someone has not yearned for God – or anyone – to bring about justice? The signs of the times still clearly reflect the pain of those who suffer. This season calls us to the same awareness as those who walked before us. We demonstrate Christ's presence by courageously advocating for justice, security and peace for all people.

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#### Senior's Social Club

Nativity Seniors Club Time: December 07, 2018 at 11:15 am Activities: Christmas Sing-A-Long and bingo with a light lunch.

All men and women are welcome

## The Sexual Abuse Crisis in the Church

At Our Lady of Sorrows Parish – 3055 Bloor St. West, Etobicoke – on Thursday December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Fr. Michael will be leading an evening of sharing, reflection and prayer. This will be the same talk he shared here in our Nativity Hall the evening of Tuesday October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Our parishioners are welcome to attend.

#### Remembering the Parish in Your Will

Have you considered remembering our parish in your will? The Church is where we experience many important moments in our lives. A bequest is a beautiful way to express your faith and gratitude for a lifetime of blessings - a lasting legacy of love that will help the Church continue with its many ministries. When making your will. Please consider a bequest to Nativity of Our Lord Parish. For more information, please call the parish office or the Development Office of the Archdiocese at (416) 934 3411, ext 519 visit www.archtoronto.org/development.

## 2018 Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, Monday, December. 24th
\*\*\*Please note: there will be NO 9:30 am Mass\*\*\*

5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass 9:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>
\*\*\*Please note: there will be NO 7:00 pm Mass\*\*\*

9:00 am Christmas Day Mass

11:30 am Christmas Day Mass Celebrant: Most Rev. John Boissonneau Auxiliary Bishop – Western Region

Wednesday, December. 26<sup>th</sup>
\*\*\*Please note: there will be NO 7:00 pm Mass\*\*\*

New Year's Eve, Monday, December 31st
\*\*\*Please note: there will be NO 9:30 am Mass\*\*\*

5:00 pm New Year's Eve Mass

New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019
\*\*\*Please note: there will be NO 7:00 pm Mass\*\*\*

9:00 am New Year's Day Mass 11:30 am New Year's Day Mass

## Advent Day of Reconciliation

Monday, December 17th, 2018 6:45 pm – 8 pm On Monday, December 17th, 2018, our parish will have our Advent Day of Reconciliation. From 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm, several priests will be available to all who wish to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). All parishioners are invited to take advantage of this opportunity to come to confession and prepare for the coming of our Saviour at Christmas!

### Catholic Womens' League



#### **Annual Christmas Luncheon**

Sunday December 9th, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Nativity of Our Lord Parish Church Hall, Cost per person is \$35.00. Please contact Alice Mycan at 416-621-0689 for your ticket.

#### 2019 Offertory Envelopes



The 2019 Offertory Envelopes are now available in the Church Hall. The envelope boxes are arranged by envelope number. If you do not remember your envelope number, there are binders available, listing the names in alphabetical order and the corresponding envelope number. If your envelope box is missing please check with the parish office to get a new one. We request parishioners to kindly check that the information on the label is current and accurate. If there are any changes, please inform the parish office.

We invite all families who are new to the parish to come and register as parishioners and avail of the boxed envelopes for regular offertory donations.

## Ushers Meeting and Sign-Up Sheets for Christmas

Please note that there will be an **Ushers' Meeting** in the parish hall this Sunday, December 2nd at 12:30pm. The Sign-up sheets for the Christmas and New Year season are in the Ushers room. Kindly sign-up for the mass where you can assist, so that we can plan our masses accordingly.

# Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Help Needed December 15th

Volunteers are needed to deliver Christmas boxes to families in our neighbourhood. Drivers, vehicles (vans, trucks, cars) and helpers, please come to the Church Hall on Saturday, December 15th. Please bring your dollies and hand trucks if you have them. If the weather prevents delivery on Saturday we will deliver them on Sunday, December 16th at 1:00 pm. With many hands, the deliveries should take a few hours. This is an excellent way for you and your families to share the joy of the Christmas Season with others in our community. Thank you for helping. Please call John at (416) 626 0143 if you have any questions.

# Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY



#### Next EDGE: December 7th

Grades 6 – 8 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the month 7 – 9 pm in the Church Hall



#### Next LifeTeen: December 14th

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

#### Supper Saints Needed for LifeTeen

Do you like to cook? Want to get involved with our Youth Ministry in a new and special way? Consider offering your time and talent to bring supper for a LifeTeen night. More information is available at the parish office or you can contact Courtney for more details.

#### 2018 – 2019 Sunday Missals.

The Sunday missals for the New Year **2018-2019** are available in the pews. Kindly leave these missals in the church for the use of all parishioners. Personal copies of the new Sunday missals are available in the Parish Office for \$5 each.



Q: - Who is Alpha intended for?

A: - Anyone 19 and older.

- Any denomination or no faith background.
- Anyone whose faith has waned.
- Anyone looking for answers to life's questions.

Program start date: Februray 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 For more information or to register, please call the Parish office.

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