THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

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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: youthminister@nativityym.com Website: http://www.nativityym.com LifeTeen Program for High School Students every 2nd & 4th Fridays of the month. EDGE Program for Grades 6 - 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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Baruch 5: 1-9 A message of hope to those in exile.

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Philippians 1: 3-6, 8-11 The imprisoned Paul writes of hope for Christians.

Luke 3: 1-6 John proclaims hope for the coming of a savior.

God's word is a message of hope, and it has long been proclaimed in difficult times of exile, imprisonment and political turmoil. For those of us weary of dark news, the message may be a momentary relief on this Sunday. But do we believe it? What will it take for this word to settle deep in our hearts and even motivate us to take hopeful action on behalf of those for whom hope is meaningless? If not us, then who?

Sign-up Sheets – Church Ministries

Once more, we look forward to the assistance of our different ministries for our Christmas celebration e.g., lectors, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers and ushers. We have sign-up sheets available in the sacristy and in the ushers' room. Kindly sign-up for the mass where you can assist so that we can plan our masses accordingly.

School Masses

Nativity of Our Lord School Mass will be held on Wednesday, December 12th at 7:00 pm.

Following this mass, the school will hold their Christmas concert.

Mother Cabrini School Mass will be held on, Thursday, December 20th at 7:00 pm.

<u>Both masses</u> will be held in our church. All parishioners are welcome to join the students at these Masses.



- Q: Do I need to register for Alpha and what does it cost?
- A: Yes, registration is required through the Church office and the program is free.

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



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 25th

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. 26th ***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 1st, 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!

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 receive boxed envelopes for next year's offertory donations.

The Sexual Abuse Crisis in the Church

At Our Lady of Sorrows Parish (3055 Bloor St. West, Etobicoke) on Thursday December 13th 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 2nd.

Our parishioners are welcome to attend!

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 at 10:00 am. 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.

New Ushers Needed

We are looking for new ushers particularly during our Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 9:00 pm masses.

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YOUTH MINISTRY



Next EDGE: January 18th, 2019 Grades 6 – 8 1st, 3rd, & 5th Fridays of the month 7 – 9 pm in the Church Hall

CLIFE TEEN

Next LifeTeen : December 14th Grades 9 – 12. 2nd & 4th 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

Eucharistic Adoration- The Summit December 19th at 7:30 pm - 8:45 pm

Come join us for an evening to reflect on the season of Advent before the Blessed Sacrament as we prepare our hearts for Christmas. Hosted by Nativity's Youth Ministry. All are invited!

Nativity's Annual LifeTeen Retreat

Who: All high school students
When: February 1-3, 2019
Where: Valley of the Mother of God, Orangeville
Cost: \$100
(All food, transportation, accommodations, program & t-shirt provided)
Come join us for a fun & faith-filled weekend away.
Retreat forms can be picked up and dropped off at the Parish office before January 11th, 2019.
For more information, please contact Courtney Strom.

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.



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