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# THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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#### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ALL PARISHIONERS & FAMILIES OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD PARISH

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#### **Christmas & New Year Office Hours**

The Parish Office will be closed for Christmas week from 12 noon on Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> December through Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> December. We will reopen at 10:00 am on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December until 1:00pm. For the New Year holiday we will close at 12 noon on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December and reopen on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 at 9:00am.

#### 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.

## 2018 Christmas & New Year 2019 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

#### 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 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

For more information, please contact Courtney

Strom.

#### Did You Know?

Our Parish has many activities and groups that may be of interest to you!

#### For Example:

- Our Youth Ministry for young people in Grades 6 – 8 and also High School – see the announcements in this bulletin.
- We have 2 weeks of Bible Camp each July for kids in Grades 1 – 6.
- Our **Bible Study Group** that meets each Monday evening.
- Our Bereavement Support Group a group dedicated to serving those who are mourning the death of a love one. The next course will start in February.
- We have a Children's Liturgy of The Word Programme for kids from SK to Grade 5 at the Sunday 9:00am mass.
- Our Caring Ministry who visits shut-ins and brings Holy Communion to them.
- Our St. Vincent de Paul Society which provides food vouchers to families in need, as well as Christmas hampers and helps kids participate in local basketball and soccer leagues, with many more outreach activities.
- The Legion of Mary has an apostolate of prayer and visitation to seniors homes as well as providing families an opportunity to host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue.
- The **Prayer Group** that meets every Wednesday after the 7:00pm mass.
- Our Knights of Columbus for men and our Catholic Women's League provides opportunities for men and women to grow in faith, fellowship and service to the community.
- The Alpha Programme which provides a forum for both the unchurched as well as Catholics who wish to develop their Christian faith begins on Wednesday February 6<sup>th</sup>.

And we have so much more!
Do join us in worship each weekend.
For more information, please go to
<a href="https://www.myparish.org">www.myparish.org</a>

## Nativity of Our Lord

#### YOUTH MINISTRY



#### Next EDGE: January 18th

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 : January 11th

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

# Confirmation Program – Grade 7 Students Parents' Information Meeting on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 7:30 pm, Church Hall

Prior to the meeting, please register online at: nativityym.com/confirmation

To complete registration, please bring with you to the meeting:

- A copy of your child's Roman Catholic Baptism Certificate.
- 2. \$50 for class supplies and gown rental. (cash/cheque to Nativity of Our Lord Parish)

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at our 5:00 pm Mass.

Bishop John Boissonneau will preside.

#### **New Ushers Needed**

We are looking for new ushers particularly during our Saturday 5:00 am and Sunday 9:00 am masses. Please contact the parish office if you can serve in this ministry.

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