# THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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

Pastor In Residence In Residence Permanent Deacon Administrative Assistant Joanna Andrews Youth Minister Caretaker

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

### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7 The servant of the Lord will establish justice.

Acts 10: 34-38 God's word to Israel is fulfilled in Christ.

Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22 Jesus is baptized and filled with the Spirit.

This Christmas season ends with a beginning – we celebrate Jesus' baptism and initiation into his ministry. The ancient promise of justice to Israel is fulfilled in him whose mission, empowered by the Spirit, will focus on peace and justice. Our baptism mirrors his as the beginning of what we are called to be and do. We are all empowered to be instruments of peace and justice and to invite others to join us.

### Celebration of Marriage Mass with Cardinal Collins on 10<sup>th</sup> February

As part of Marriage Sunday 2019 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2019. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2019, you are invited to join in this special celebration. The mass will take place at 4:00 pm on Sunday 10th February, at St. Clare of Assisi Parish (150 St Francis Ave., Woodbridge). A reception will follow mass. All are welcome to celebrating attend couples milestone anniversaries are asked to register online or by phone to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage or by calling 416 934 3400, ext. 523.



- Q: When can I sign up for Alpha?
- A: You can sign up the weekend of January 12th/13th, after all the masses or at the Parish office during office hours.

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

### A Grateful Thank You to Roman Melnyk and Our New Parish Website

On behalf of the entire Parish community I wish to say a big thank you to our parishioner, Roman Melnyk, for his steadfast service in maintaining our parish's website over the last 6 1/2 years. When I began my pastorship at Nativity in July 2012, our parish website was an extremely simple one with a minimum of information. Shortly thereafter, Roman introduced himself to me and offered his services to build a new website and to update it.

I was extremely pleased by Roman's offer and very guickly the new website was established. Roman did a yeoman's job of continually updating it and maintaining it each week.

Certainly I know that many parishioners have voiced their appreciation for what they found on the website, including links to Catholic videos and website, all due to the efforts of Roman.

However, Roman had approached me to have someone new maintain the parish website. Fortunately, Evan Hennessy of our parish, who is a professional software developer stepped forward and has begun to build a new parish website that will have many exciting and interactive features. If you log in to www.myparish.org you will find the initial stages of our new parish website.

With much gratitude, all of us thank Roman and Evan.

Peace, Fr. Michael Machacek.

### **Catholic Women's League**



**CWL Annual Planning Meeting** Saturday, 19th January, in the parish hall from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Feel free to bring your lunch. Refreshments will be served.

**Development Day** will be at Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Catholic Church, 739 Brown's Line, on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Deadline is 1<sup>st</sup> February and this fills up very quickly! Cost: \$15.00 will be reimbursed after you attend. Please contact Alice Mycan at 416 621 0689.

**Membership Fees** are due. Please contact Alice Mycan with your payment.

### **Daily Readings Now Available Online**

Parishioners throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto can now find the Canadian daily readings by going to <u>https://readings.livingwithchrist.ca</u>

Securing access to these online readings for the day, thanks to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops - including the First reading, Second reading (when appropriate), Psalm and Gospel Reading – is significant because the vast majority of daily readings online are from the United States Lectionary. There are some key differences between the American and Canadian Lectionary in translations, the arrangements of some readings and feast days, as well as some difference in the instructions for readers. By partnering with *Living with Christ*, we are ensuring website visitors will find the same readings they would hear in the local parish Mass

### **2019 Offertory Envelopes**

The 2019 Offertory Envelopes are available just outside the Church Hall. Envelope boxes are arranged by envelope number. Binders available listing the names in alphabetical order and the corresponding envelope number if you don't remember your number. Check with the parish office if your envelope box is missing. 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.

## 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 25th 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:

- 1. 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.

### **Nativity School Mass**

The school Mass for all students at Nativity of Our Lord School will be held this Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> January, at the 9:30 am Mass. All parishioners are welcome to join the student body at this Mass.

