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

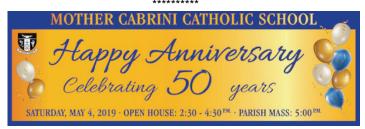
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Deuteronomy 26: 4-10 I have brought you the first fruits of this land flowing with milk and honey.

Romans 10: 8-13 Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Luke 4: 1-13 You shall not put the Lord God to the test.

Trust. Trouble. Temptation. The Israelites remembered and trusted in God's constant, guiding presence and gave back to God the first fruits of the land. The psalmist trusted God would be present in times of trouble. Jesus survived temptation in the desert, only by trusting in God. In whom or in what do we place our trust when we are troubled and tempted?



Please use the link below to RSVP for Mother Cabrini's 50th Anniversary which will be held on Saturday May 4th, 2019.

- Open House: will take place in the school gym and run from 2:30 pm 4:00 pm.
- Speeches & presentations: 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm
- Community Mass starts at 5:00 pm here at Nativity of Our Lord Church.

- The deadline to RSVP will be Thursday April 18th, 2019. However we strongly encourage all parents, Guardians Alumni, and friends of Mother Cabrini to RSVP at your earliest convenience.

https://www.tcdsb.org/schools/mothercabrini/letscelebrate/201 82019/pages/celebrating-50-years-at-mother-cabrini.aspx

Badminton Here at Nativity

We believe that there is now enough interest in establishing a recreational type of badminton facility for our parishioners as well as non-parishioners. Adults of all ages and levels of ability are welcome to participate. Some coaching will be available. If you would like to join, please provide your name, address, telephone number and e-mail address to Peter Matthews at pjmatthews6534@gmail.com or drop the information off at the parish office. Details of times, dates and fees will be available shortly.

LENT

Fridays of Lent: Every person 14 years of age and older must abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent. During Lent, we will celebrate on Fridays the regular **9:30 am** Mass; in addition, we will also celebrate a mass at **7:00 pm**. This mass will be followed by the *Stations of the Cross*, led by the different organizations of the parish.

All parishioners are invited to participate.

SL ShareLife www.sharelife.org

Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife agencies

"As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to live the Gospel in all we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community. For 43 years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!" — Cardinal Thomas Collins

> March 31 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

Supporting ShareLife through preauthorized giving

Monthly pre-authorized giving (PAG) is an easy way to spread your ShareLife contribution over the course of a year. The ShareLife package you received by mail includes a response form with a PAG option. Simply submit a void cheque with the completed form to your parish office, or drop it in the offertory basket at any time. Contact ShareLife at slife@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving to ShareLife.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Bereavement Ministry Training

Training will take place here at Nativity of Our Lord on Saturday, March 23rd and Saturday, April 6th, from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. A certificate will be provided after attending both sessions. To register please contact Sally Amaral at 416 934 3400-ext 518 & online *http://bit.ly/BereavementTraining-NOL*

Catholic Women's League



Dear members. Please join us for the Humber Valley Spring Regional meeting on Thursday, March 21st at St. John the Evangelist located at 49 George Street, York (Weston), following the 7:00 pm Mass. Let's carpool

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up Collection March 9th/10th

This weekend The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting <u>gently used clothing</u>, footwear, <u>bedding</u>, drapes and children's toys, on the <u>above weekend</u>. No mattresses, dishes, <u>video/audio cassettes</u>, books or furniture will be <u>accepted</u>. There is a need for soccer shoes & <u>shin pads please place in a separate bag and</u> label "soccer shoes". Please bring your articles to the Society's container at the rear parking lot before or shortly after the masses this Saturday March 9th, from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm: & this Sunday March 10th, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Sexual Abuse Crisis in the Church

Fr. Michael will be leading an evening of sharing, reflection and prayer at **St. Benedict's Parish on** Kipling Ave. (North of Rexdale Blvd.) in Etobicoke – **on this Wednesday, March 13th at 7:30 pm.** This will be the same talk he shared here in our Nativity Hall the evening of Tuesday October 2nd. This may be Fr. Michael's last presentation on this topic.

Our parishioners are welcome to attend.

Steubenville Youth Conference

For the past 5 years, we have attended Steubenville Toronto. This year, we will be taking a road trip to attend Steubenville's Youth Conference at the main campus where it all began at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio! Thousands of young people will gather to celebrate and grow in their faith!

Who: Youth who are currently in gr. 8 - 12 When: July 12 – 14, 2019

Where: Franciscan University, Steubenville OH. Forms can be picked up/dropped off at the Parish Office. Contact Courtney for more information.

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YOUTH MINISTRY



Next EDGE: March 15th Grades 6 – 8 1st, 3rd, & 5th Fridays of the month 7 – 9 pm in the Church Hall



Next LifeTeen : March 22nd

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

Summer Day Camp @ Nativity

"Not Just a Summer Camp" - We're incorporating our Catholic faith with fun sports, games, crafts, music, baking & more!

Who: Students currently in grade 1-5

- When: 1st Session: July 15-19, 2nd session: July 22-26
- Time: 9am-3:30pm (Extended care available 8-9am, 3:30-5pm)

Cost: \$130 (Includes t-shirt, snacks & all activities) To Register, go to <u>www.nativityym.com/summer-</u> <u>camp</u> Registration will open January 21st. Spots are limited.

Contact Courtney: youthminister@nativityym.com

Edge Adventure Camp

A 5 day overnight Catholic Adventure Camp. A fun and exciting Christ – centered camp experience! **Who:** Students currently in grades 6 – 8 **Where:** Camp White Pine – Haliburton, ON

When: August 21 – 25, 2019

Cost: Early Bird \$425. all-inclusive before April 16th. Then it will be \$475. until registration closes on May 15th.

Spots are limited, First come, first register. Forms can be picked up /dropped off at the Parish Office. Contact Courtney for more information. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 905-624-4422

