

# THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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## OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor	Rev. Michael Machacek
In Residence	Rev. John Mullins
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)

Mass: 9:30 a.m.  
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

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

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD  
35 Saffron Crescent  
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## YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Mass: Sundays 11:30 am

Email: [youthminister@nativityym.com](mailto: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 LENT

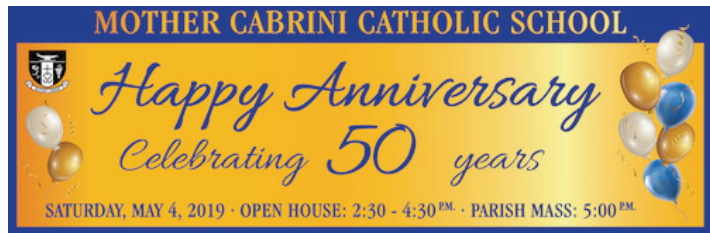
Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18 Look at the sky and count the stars.

Philippians 3: 17. 4.1 Our citizenship is in heaven.

Luke 9: 28b – 36 This is my chosen Son; listen to him. You shall not put the Lord God to the test.

Our readings today remind us to keep our eyes fixed on heaven. God asks Abram to look up at the sky and count the stars. Philippians reminds us our citizenship is in heaven. Peter, James and John's eyes are fixed heavenward as they climb the mountain and witness Jesus' transfiguration. Where are our eyes fixed? On our electronics, on what others have? Today, let us ask for the grace to fix our eyes and hearts heavenward

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Please use the link below to RSVP for Mother Cabrini's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary which will be held on Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 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 18<sup>th</sup>, 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/20182019/pages/celebrating-50-years-at-mother-cabrini.aspx>

**Bereavement Ministry Training**

Training will take place here at Nativity of Our Lord on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 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>

**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.

**Lenten Reconciliation Evening:**  
**Monday, April 8th from 6:45pm to 8:00pm**  
We will hold our Lenten Reconciliation evening here at Nativity of Our Lord. A number of priests will be in attendance to hear your confession.



**Living the Gospel by helping young mothers.**

Anika became a mother at the age of 19. Soon after, her fiancé became increasingly controlling. Feeling isolated, she reached out to a ShareLife agency called Rose of Sharon. She and her son attended almost every program offered, including one called Healthy Relationships. Anika realized she didn't have to tolerate her partner's behavior. Rose of Sharon helped her find an affordable apartment so she and her son could move out. "I never thought I could make it on my own," says Anika. "But with the help of Rose of Sharon, here I am doing it."

**March 31 is ShareLife Sunday.  
Please give generously.**

**Supporting ShareLife through pre-authorized 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](mailto:slife@archtoronto.org) or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving to ShareLife.

**Thank you for supporting ShareLife!**

## Catholic Women`s League



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

### Mass Offering Intention Procedure

Our 2020 Mass Offering Intention book will be open as of 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2019. Requests for mass offering intentions are to be done at the office in person only. Payment for these masses must be made at time of the request. We will no longer be using Mass Offering envelopes.

### Badminton Here at Nativity!

Now is the time to let us know if you would like to join. We will start playing officially on 2<sup>nd</sup>, April 2019. For now playing times will be from 9:00am to 11:00am on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The fees will be \$60.00 for a year. Please email me at [pjmatthews6534@gmail.com](mailto:pjmatthews6534@gmail.com) . The only things you will need are a racket and a pair of court shoes and you will have a lot of healthy fun!



### 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.

## Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY



*Next EDGE: March 29th*  
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 : March 22nd*  
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](mailto: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 [www.nativityym.com/summer-camp](http://www.nativityym.com/summer-camp) Registration will open January 21<sup>st</sup>. Spots are limited.

Contact Courtney: [youthminister@nativityym.com](mailto: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 16<sup>th</sup>. Then it will be \$475. until registration closes on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Spots are limited, First come, first register. Forms can be picked up /dropped off at the Parish Office. Contact Courtney for more information.

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