

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor	Rev. Michael Machacek
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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

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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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Exodus 3: 1-8a, 13-15 I AM has sent me to you. This is my name forever.

1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12 Do not be unaware; take care not to fall.

Luke 13: 1-9 If you do not repent, you will perish.

As we enter the midpoint of Lent, our readings become more uncompromising and candid about how we are to live our lives. Through our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we must continue to cultivate good habits that will last long after Lent has ended. How is your Lenten journey going?



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/20182019/pages/celebrating-50-years-at-mother-cabrini.aspx>

2018 Parish Financial Statement

The Nativity Of Our Lord financial statement is now available at the side entrances and also at the Parish Office. If you have any questions, you can send an email to nativity@myparish.org.

As your Pastor, I thank you for your financial support of our parish.

Peace, Fr. Michael

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.



How can you "Live the Gospel" when life is so busy?

Many people help those in need by volunteering at a local organization. But if your schedule doesn't allow for it, you can still make a huge impact in your community by supporting ShareLife-funded agencies. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, please reflect on your ability to "Live the Gospel" by making a sacrificial gift to our parish ShareLife campaign.

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 or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving to ShareLife.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Lenten Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop of Toronto, Thomas Cardinal Collins

A reminder that His Eminence has prepared a Pastoral Letter for Lent 2019, offering tangible reflections on how we can use this most holy time of year as a period of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Cardinal Collins also invites us to become more engaged in the efforts of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. here's a link to the letter: <http://bit.ly/LentenPastoralLetter>. Copies are also available at the Parish office.

Mass Offering Intention Procedure

Our 2020 Mass Offering Intention book will be open as of 1st 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 2nd, 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. 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
1st, 3rd, & 5th Fridays of the month
7 – 9 pm in the Church Hall



Next LifeTeen : April 12th
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 www.nativityym.com/summer-camp 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.

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