

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor	Rev. Michael Machacek
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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

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35 Saffron Crescent
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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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Isaiah 43: 16-21 Remember not the events of the past; I am doing something new!

Philippians 3: 8-14 Continue to pursue God's upward calling.

John 8: 1-11 Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more.

Today's readings are filled, not only with examples of God's abundant mercy and love, but of right living. Paul reminds us that everything outside of the pursuit of Christ is rubbish. And if we are to call ourselves followers of Christ, we must keep our focus on what lies ahead. Let us begin by letting go of our judgements and our earthly desires so we may enter into this time with our minds and hearts lifted completely to God.



Living the Gospel by supporting those with disabilities

As mentioned by Julie Cachia last week Ben, a 66-year-old with a developmental disability, lives with his 90-year-old mother. Without any other family, she didn't have a plan to take care of him after she no longer was able to do so. She turned to Mary Centre, a ShareLife agency, which matched Ben with a respite worker. This worker gradually introduced Ben to residents of one of Mary Centre's group homes. Now that he has befriended its residents and staff, Ben will find the eventual transition less overwhelming. He has already developed a sense of belonging to his future community

**May 5th 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!

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



A number of priests will be in attendance to hear your confession.

Ministries Sign-up Sheets for Easter Schedule

Our Easter celebrations are heavily dependent on the generosity of our volunteers in the different ministries. Once again, this year, we ask you to please indicate your availability by signing up for your different ministries. The sign-up sheets for Altar Servers, Sacristans & Eucharistic Ministers are in the sacristy. For our Ushers the sign-up sheets are in the Usher room.

Triduum Schedule 2018



Holy Thursday NO MORNING MASS
April 18 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper.
The Holy Thursday Liturgy will be followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

Good Friday 12:00 noon Solemn Good Friday Liturgy
April 19 3:00 pm Solemn Good Friday Liturgy
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross by Youth
*** CHURCH CLOSSES AT 8:00 PM ***

SATURDAY 7:30 pm EASTER VIGIL MASS
April 20

EASTER SUNDAY 9:00 am) EASTER SUNDAY
April 21 11:30 am) MASSES

*** The parish office will be closed on Easter Monday April 22 ***

Feast of Corpus Christi On Sunday June 23rd June



Nativity of Our Lord will be celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi.

This year our event will be on Sunday, starting with the 11:30 am mass. Following will be a solemn procession through our neighbouring streets and ending with some family fun.

We are looking for donations for the Silent Auction including gift cards. We do however ask that the minimum value of each item be \$25.00. We are also accepting monetary donations towards this event, which supports Our Lady Of Fatima School in Bethlehem, Palestine.

Please mark your calendars.
More details to follow!

Come Celebrate Mercy Sunday April 28th, Mattamy Centre, Toronto

His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins will be Homilist / main concelebrant for 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Mass

Conference ticket: Adult \$25. Youth \$15. Bus \$8.
Bus will be leaving Nativity of Our Lord parking lot at 7:00 am sharp and returning by 7:00 pm
For tickets please contact Murielle Boudreau at 416 320 4300.

Steubenville Youth Conference

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.

Volunteers Needed Nativity Summer Day Camp

We are looking for energetic and fun loving Catholic leaders currently enrolled in high school or in a post-secondary program to volunteer for our Summer Day Camp at Nativity in July.
To pick up a volunteer application form or for more details, please visit the Parish Office.

Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY



Next EDGE: May 3rd

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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