# THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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

Pastor Rev. Michael Machacek In Residence Rev. John Mullins

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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 <u>one year in advance.</u>

### 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 416-393-5288

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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 (From October to June)

### GROUPS

Altar Guild:	Alice Mycan
Altar Servers:	Fr. Michael
Bereavement Support Group:	Linda Wisz
Bible Study	Linda Wisz
Caring Ministry: Keith Lewis	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:	Chris D'Souza
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.:	Fr. Michael
St. Vincent de Paul Society:	416-695-0169
Ushers:	Leonard Roach
Welcoming Committee:	Angela Reid
Youth Ministry:	Courtney Strom

# TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 The Lord relented and did not punish the people.

1 Timothy 1:12-17 Christ came for sinners. Luke 15:1-32 The prodigal son and other parables of mercy.

Our readings today remind us of how we learn from losing something or someone and making these occasions the most meaningful teachable moments of our lives; each one can be an opportunity for growth and re-direction of our path toward God. As we read about the loss first of a sheep, then a coin, then a beloved son, we feel the crescendo of rejoicing when that which is lost is found. Small losses can teach patience, more significant losses offer painful lessons in perseverance and perspective. The loss of oneself to sin - this loss resulting in alienation from God - this is a loss that can alter our lives. But then, there is repentance after sin, there is forgiveness, and the sacrament of As the father of the prodigal son PENANCE. joyfully orders the reinstatement of his son's status by putting "sandals on his feet and a ring on his finger", so our Father in heaven joyfully embraces us when He finds us.

### Welcome Back!

To all our registered parishioners, welcome back to our regular activities. We hope all of you had a relaxing time with family and friends during the summer. Please ensure that you are using the current year's envelopes. To obtain this year's envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

To all new parishioners – welcome to Nativity of Our Lord Parish. To be a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Registration is necessary when seeking reference letters, eligibility for the sacraments and any other documentations such as: income tax receipts. If you have not registered your family, we invite you to do so.

### Ladies Exercise Class (55+)

Join us for Ladies 55+ Fun Fitness every Monday and Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30pm. Drop in. Fee is \$4.00 per session. New participants are always welcome! Exercise Class resumes this **Thursday, September 12th, 2019,** 

# First Communion / Reconciliation Program

Sacrament Mass Dates: Group A – Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020 5:00pm or Group B – Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020 11:30am

Together, families and Catholic schools provide regular daily religious instruction. What is offered at the Parish level is a program for the immediate preparation and Celebration of the Sacraments for children of registered parishioners in grade 2 or higher

Mandatory Parents' Information Meeting: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 at 7:30 pm, in the Church Hall

Fr. Michael and other coordinators will explain program details and answer questions.

You will be able to complete registration at the Info meeting after going to the online form and filling it in completely before Sept 17th. You must bring an English copy of your Child's Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate and \$50 to cover costs of the program (cash or cheque only)

Use this link: fhc-rec.nativityym.com

A special Public School Program guide is available at the Parish Office.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact the Parish office 416 621 2732

### Women's Fall Weekend Retreat

The Fall Session of Women Together Retreat with the theme "Come and Receive a Faith Lift". This is a weekend retreat at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre – Mississauga from October 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$200.00. Please call Anne Hales for further information or to register at 905 278 5229.

### Supper Saints Needed for LifeTeen

Do you like to cook? Want to get involved with our Youth Ministry in a special way? Consider offering your time and talent to bring supper for a LifeTeen night. More information is available at the parish office or you can contact Courtney for more details. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

### Turner & Porter Estate Planning Options

Turner & Porter will be holding a free Dinner & Discussion about Estate Planning Options from 5:00 pm until 6:30 pm at two different locations:

Toronto: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September Mississauga: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September Register please by calling Tracy: (905) 412 3087

# Nativity of Our Lord Bible Study The Great Adventure

Come journey with us through the "Acts of the Apostles". ACTS is the story of Hope and Empowerment. See your place in Christ's Church and how to live day-to-day as a disciple of Christ. Presentations by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer. Bible Study will begin this Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:30pm to 9:30pm in the parish hall. For more information please contact Linda Wisz at 416-620-7662 or the parish office at 416-621-2732

### **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Would you or anyone you know be interested:

- to be Baptized as a Roman Catholic, or
- to be Received into the Catholic Church (having been baptized in another faith), or
- to receive the sacrament of Holy Eucharist (First Communion) or Confirmation?

The RCIA is the process offered in the Catholic Church for the above purposes. It is also a process available to practicing Catholics seeking a deeper understanding of their faith.

For further information or registration contact Fr. Michael at <a href="mailto:fr.michael@live.ca">fr.michael@live.ca</a>

# Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY





See you in October!

Faith Journeys: Lenten
Pilgrimage to the Holy Land March 4th to 14th, 2020



- Would you like to sing "O Holy Night" while actually looking at the site where Jesus was born?
- Would you like to renew your own Baptismal Vows in the River Jordan where Jesus was baptized by St. John the Baptist?
- Would you like to renew your wedding vows in Cana?

You can do all of these and experience more, much more, in following the footsteps of Jesus from His birth to His crucifixion resurrection during a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land for eleven days, you can immerse yourself in the places where Jesus lived - and trace His footsteps from the place where His coming was announced in Nazareth, the location of His birth in Bethlehem, the sites of His teaching, preaching and healing in Galilee and Judea to His place of death and Resurrection in Jerusalem. Kitty McGilly, will co-ordinate the Pilgrimage with Father Michael Machacek as the spiritual leader for the fifth time leading a group from our parish. Interested? You will find details in brochures at the church entrances, or at the Parish Office. Contact persons are: Joanna Andrews 416 621 2732, email: 2020holyland@gmail.com or Kitty McGilly, 416 201 7375: email kmcgilly@rogers.com.

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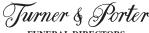
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