

# 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
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](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 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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Genesis 2: 7-9, 16-18, 25: 3 1-7 The introduction of sin into the world.

Romans 5: 12-19 Through the obedience of One, all will be made holy.

Matthew 4: 1- 11 Jesus fasted and was tempted in the desert.

Jesus is led out into the desert to be tested. After a 40-day fast, utterly starved, Jesus is tempted three times. Despite each enticement, Jesus demonstrated fidelity to God and rejects all three. In his weakness, Jesus is filled with strength.

We have to allow God to prune away those things that cloud our vision or overwhelm the sound of God's voice in our daily lives. In making sacrifices, we allow more room for God and each other. God becomes our strength and our only desire.

### ***Photos from our Nigeria Trip***

I am pleased to announce that over 90 photos of the trip to Nigeria of 5 parishioner and myself from February 13<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> can now be found on our parish website: [www.myparish.org](http://www.myparish.org)

Once in the site, please scroll down on the homepage to "Recent Posts". There you will see the post entitled "Photos from Nigeria". Click on the post, and once inside, then click on the link to the photos.

As well, you will also find on the same section of the website "Memories of Nigeria". Please click on the link, and you will find a charming poem written by one of the parishioners about our time there.

As I mentioned at last weekend's masses the 6 of us were overwhelmed in a wonderful way by the hospitality of Fr. Peter Osuntope, his welcoming team and the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Apostles Parish. We were also immensely impressed by the students and staff of the Cecilian Academy of Sacred Music. We can assure all parishioners that the monies you have donated to the school are already bearing fruit.

Peace and prayers, *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, March 30th  
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.

### ***Come and See Weekend: St. Augustine's Seminary***

**Friday, March 13, (begins at 7:00 p.m.) until Sunday, March 15, (ends at 1:30 p.m.)**

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). Registrants 17 years old require parental consent. For more information, please contact (the Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations at: 416 968 0997; email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

### ***2020 Offertory Envelopes***

The 2020 Offertory Envelopes are available in the lobby in front of the Hall. Envelope boxes are arranged by envelope number. Please contact our parish office if your box is missing and to update any address or phone number changes.

## Catholic Women`s League

Ladies, In case you missed our membership Sunday, you can still contact us at [nativitycwl@gmail.com](mailto:nativitycwl@gmail.com) or to renew your membership please contact Alice Mycan.

## The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up Collection March 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing, footwear, bedding, drapes and children`s toys, on the above weekend. No mattresses, dishes, video/audio cassettes, books or furniture will be accepted. There is a need for soccer shoes & shin pads please place in a separate bag and label "soccer shoes". Please bring your articles to the Society`s container at the rear parking lot before or shortly after next weekends masses on Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm: & on Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

## Lost and Found

There are numerous items gathering in our "Lost and Found" in the Parish, particularly: gloves, umbrellas, scarves & hats. Please come by the Parish Office if you believe one of those items may belong to you.

### 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 23-27, 2020

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

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 6th

Grades 7 – 8

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of the month  
7 – 9 pm in the Church Hall



Next LifeTeen : March 13th

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: [Nativityyouth@outlook.com](mailto:Nativityyouth@outlook.com)  
416- 621-2732 Ext 22

**YOUTH MASS**  
**Every Sunday 11:30 am**

### Summer Day Camp @ Nativity Parish

"Not just a summer camp"- we're incorporating our Catholic faith with fun sports, games, crafts, music, baking & more!

**Who:** Students currently in grades 1-5

**When:** 1st Week: July 13-17, 2nd Week: July 20-24

**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 is open and spots are limited. Contact

Courtney: [youthminister@nativityym.com](mailto:youthminister@nativityym.com)

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