

# 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

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 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

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Exodus 17:3-7 God told Moses to strike the rock for water.

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 The love of God has been poured into our hearts.

John 4:5-42 Jesus encounters the woman at the well.

**“Is the Lord in our midst?” As we go through today’s readings, we hear Jesus say to the Samaritan woman “I am He, the One who is speaking to You.” Should we encounter the Lord on earth, will we know Him? A crucial question in our faith journey is where we look for God. Do we need to ignore everyone around us in order to focus on God? Do we observe absolute silence for God, a silence that excludes everyone around us to be able to know God? Our worship is based on the Incarnation, of God in our midst. God is in the people around us -- everyone around us is a dwelling place of God – worthy of our attention, a part of our world, a part of our lives. No one can be ignored. When we look left and we look right, do we find God?**

### **Contact Your Member of Parliament! New Euthanasia Legislation Introduced in Canada**

Legislation that would expand access to euthanasia in our country has been introduced by the federal government. Among the alarming changes are amendments to expand euthanasia to those without a terminal illness, including those with disabilities. Only 30 percent of Canadians have access to quality palliative care which would significantly reduce the number of people wanting to end their lives. Every life has value – visit [www.helptheliving.ca](http://www.helptheliving.ca) to send a letter (prepared for you) to your Member of Parliament. The process takes less than 5 minutes. More information can also be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia](http://www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia). We continue to pray and advocate for the vulnerable among us.

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

Kristen was 17 when she found out she was pregnant. Worried she wouldn't be able to graduate from high school, she reached out to Rose of Sharon. At this ShareLife-funded agency she was able to focus on school work with the help of child minding by the agency. Kristen graduated and was accepted into the medical administration program at Seneca College. “Without Rose of Sharon,” says Kristen, “there’s no way I would have believed college was a possibility.”

***March 29 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 will receive by mail includes a response form with a PAG option. Simply submit a void cheque with the completed form to our 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!**

### **Please Mark Your Calendar**

Bishop John Boissonneau, our regional Auxiliary Bishop, will be preaching and presiding at all the masses on the weekend of March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **Women Together Retreat**

Ladies come and receive “God’s Healing Embrace”. This is the theme of our Women Together Retreat at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre – Mississauga Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cost is \$200.00 for a single private room. Please call 905 278 5229.

## 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.

### ***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.

### ***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 20th*  
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 27th*  
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

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