

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
416-393-5288

MOTHER CABRINI
720 Renforth Drive
416-393-5340

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105 Eringate Drive
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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 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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13 God sees into our hearts.

Ephesians 5:8-14 Live as children of light.

John 9:1-41 The healing of the man born blind.

The healing of the young man born blind – a story of how sight is given back to a young man. Sight reveals to us the beauty of God’s creation. Sight shows us men and women, beautifully living their lives in different stages of light. Sight enables us to see not only with our eyes but also with our hearts. Sight shows us the difference between darkness and light. Unlike the man born blind, most of us have sight from the time we are born. How do we use this gift of sight? Do we look and see and give thanks for all the good and all the beauty around us -- or do we waste our hearts & spirits by filling it with images slurred by the negativity and cynicism of the world? We have a choice – we can fill our hearts with God’s love and let that love shine with radiance to the whole world! Why should we do otherwise?

**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 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. We continue to pray and advocate for the vulnerable among us.

**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.

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

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

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 from Friday, May 1st to Sunday, May 3rd. Cost is \$200.00. You will have a single private room. To register please call 905 278 5229.

Mass Updates due to COVID-19

For more information on the Archdiocesan policies including possible mass cancellations, go to: www.archtoronto.org Updates will also be on our parish website: www.myparish.org

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.

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: April 3rd

Grades 7 – 8

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

LIFE TEEN

Next LifeTeen : March 27th

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: 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. Registration is open and spots are limited. Contact

Courtney: youthminister@nativityym.com

Catholic Women`s League

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

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