THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor Rev. Michael Machacek
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Administrative Assistant
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.



FIRS A RIDAY (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 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	647-977-4843
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

THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Proverbs 31:10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28-31 A worthy wife/Wisdom is more valuable than pearls.

2 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Stay alert, as children of the light.

Matthew 25:14-30 God does not reward those who act out of fear.

Today's readings remind us that God expects us to be resourceful people who are wise and alert. We are not to live out of fear, but out of a deeper "fear of the Lord." And we are challenged to be enterprising, not in terms of personal gain but by using what we have been given for the growth of the kingdom.

New Entrance for Weekend Masses

Next weekend, November 21 & 22, beginning with the 5pm mass, the entrance for parishioners will move from the east door to the 2 steel doors to the left of the parish office entrance. Signs will be posted on the doors as well. This change is being done in recognition of the winter conditions that we will soon face. Extra carpeting will be placed inside the 2 steel doors to ensure people do not slip on the floors and that are Welcoming Ushers are not subject to prolonged exposure to the cold.

2021 First Communion/Confession

Here at Nativity of Our Lord parish we are in the process of finalizing the preparation for the sacrament of First Communion/Confession in 2021. Please stay tuned as details will be available in the next few weeks in our church bulletin and on our parish website.

Liturgy of the Word with Children

Below is a link to the **online version** called <u>KidsWord.</u> We invite you to join Alicia from Our Lady of Sorrows Church in this weekly series of short videos as she explains the Gospel message in a simplified way to encourage our young people grow their faith

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL1Ay3R s7D6K0_187SR7To6v9G2s1ew4-J

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. Due to COVID restrictions the RCIA programme this year will be done online, starting at the beginning of December.

For further information or registration please contact Fr. Michael at fr.michael@live.ca

Shepherds' Trust

Important message about the Shepherd's Trust this year

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there will not be a fundraising campaign for The Shepherds' Trust this year. Instead, we encourage parishioners who can give during these difficult times to focus on supporting their parish. However, if you wish to support your parish and our retired priests, The Shepherd's Trust would welcome your gift via the special collection envelope in your Sunday offering box or at www.shepherdstrust.org/.

2020-2021 Sunday Missals

Personal copies of the Sunday missals for **2020-2021** are available in the Parish Office for \$5 each.

Please call 416 621 2732 to make arrangements to come to the office to purchase your personal copy.

Remembrance Month Books of Remembrance

Due to COVID restrictions, this year we invite you to write down the name of your deceased loved ones on a sheet, completing it at home. Then leave this sheet in the basket which will be placed on top of the table that is located on the right side of the sanctuary. The parish staff each day will collect these pages and place them safely in our Books of Life. Our prayers will be offered especially for all these faithful departed throughout the month of November.

All Souls Remembrance Envelopes

It is a tradition in our parish that parishioners use *All Souls Remembrance Envelopes* to write the names of their dearly departed ones. The envelopes are available at the church entrances and exits and we ask you to complete them at home. Please place these envelopes in the designated basket which will be placed on top of the table, located on the right side of the sanctuary or in the Sunday collection baskets.

Annual Memorial Mass

On Saturday, November 21st, at 1:30 pm, we will celebrate our *Annual Memorial Mass* in remembrance of all our parishioners, who passed away this year. During the Mass, their names will be announced and they will be honoured in our own special way.

Because of the pandemic, we need to limit numbers due to our reduced capacity. Unfortunately we had to restrict the numbers to 4 per parishioner who lost a loved one. Invitations were sent out this week and we are unable to open the mass up to others at this time. Please pray for the families of those that have lost a loved one this past year.

For those who would like to be part of our annual mass but are unable to attend we will be livestreaming the mass at 1:30pm. https://youtu.be/V7MJ0pXOfZw

Nativity of Our Lord YOUTH MINISTRY





Grade 9 – 12 LIFE TEEN: Nov. 27th Grade 6 – 8 EDGE: Nov. 20th

In the Parish Hall or Church Sanctury Seating is distanced & masks required

Registration is necessary for permitted numbers.

Follow us on Instagram @nativityym
For registration information email Courtney
at youthminister@nativityym.com

Youth Ministry Snack Donations

Our Youth Ministry is accepting donations of extra Halloween candy and individually wrapped & peanut free snacks to be able to distribute at EDGE & LifeTeen this year. You can call the office or email Courtney to arrange a drop-off time. Your generosity is very much appreciated! If you have any questions, you can contact Courtney. Thank you!

Word Day of The Poor

Stretch forth your hand to the poor (Sir 7:32)

Age-old wisdom has proposed these words as a sacred rule to be followed in life. Today these words remain as timely as ever. They help us fix our gaze on what is essential and overcome the barriers of indifference. Poverty always appears in a variety of guises, and calls for attention to each particular situation. In all of these, we have an opportunity to encounter the Lord Jesus, who has revealed himself as present in the least of his brothers and sisters (cf. Mt 25:40). Your Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invites you to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters, especially at this uncertain time. The Nativity SSVP annual collection is December 12/13.

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