

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD PARISH

Established June 7, 1964

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OUR PARISH TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Jan Gogolewski
 In Residence: Rev. John Mullins
 Permanent Deacon: Mr. Gerry Almeida
 Administrative Coordinator: David Ellis
 Youth Minister: Renee Sieczka
 Social Communications Coordinator: Abigail Murree
 Property Manager - Custodian: 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 - 4:45 p.m.
 Sundays and all other days of the week, half hour before each mass.

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 after 9:30 a.m. Mass.
 Tuesdays Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena @ 6:30 p.m. before the 7:00 p.m. Mass.
 Wednesdays Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena @ 6:30 p.m. before the 7:00 p.m. Mass.
 FIRST FRIDAYS Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Silent Adoration. 6:00 - 6:50 p.m.
 Holy Hour & Benediction 6:50 p.m.- 7:30 p.m., Mass at 7:30 p.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 - Thursday
 9:00 a.m. - noon &
 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Friday - Sunday: closed

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
 Principal: Colleen Muzzatti
 35 Saffron Crescent
 416-393-5288

MOTHER CABRINI
 Principal: Michael Femia
 720 Renforth Drive
 416-393-5340

MICHAEL POWER /
 ST. JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL
 Principal: Martin Clough
 105 Eringate Drive
 416-393-5529

YOUTH MINISTRY

Email youthminister@nativityym.com
 Website 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 Servers	Deacon Gerry Almeida
Bereavement Support Group	Sheree Hryhor
Bible Study	Franklin & Anjali Louis
Caring Ministry	
Catholic Cemeteries	416-733-8544
Catholic Family Services	416-921-1163
Catholic Women's League	Donna Capobianco
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Deacon Gerry & Stella Almeida
Friendly Visitors	Kathleen Haugh
Knights of Columbus	Neville Saldanha
Lectors	Leslie Borbas
Legion of Mary	Karen Armstrong
Property/Finance	Peter Matthews
R.C.I.A.	Deacon Gerry & Stella Almeida
Rosary Apostolate	Frances Caulfield
Sacristans	Clive Ferrao
Social Committee	Maria Del Rizzo
St. Vincent de Paul	John Neander
St. Vincent de Paul Society (requests for assistance)	416-695-0169
Welcoming Ushers	Carol Janssen
Youth Ministry	Renee Sieczka

APRIL 6, 2025

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 6 | 9:00 AM

- + PARISHIONERS OF NATIVITY
- + FOR THE SOUL OF TED JANICKI
Offered by the Piatek Family
- + FOR THE SOULS OF CLARE & EDWIN
MARTYRES Offered by Josepha Martyres
- + FOR THE SOUL OF JORGE GUSTAVO
CASSANI SANCHEZ Offered by Laura Cassani

Sunday, April 6 | 11:30 AM

- + FOR THE SOULS OF ROSE & ALEC PEREIRA
AND FRANCIS AND HELEN ROACH
Offered by Len Roach
- + FOR THE SOUL OF RITA LEMOS
Offered by Andrew Lemos & Family
- + FOR THE SOULS OF ERNESTO & NATIVIDAD
PAYONGAYONG Offered by Leticia Payongayong
- + FOR THE SOUL OF CATALINA SAPONG ON
HER BIRTHDAY Offered by the Alforque Family

Monday, April 7 | 9:30 AM

- + FOR THE SOUL OF VINCENZO LUCREZIANO
Offered by Lina Lucreziano
- + FOR THE SOUL OF PHILOMENA SEQUEIRA
Offered by Alba & Clive Ferrao

Tuesday, April 8 | 7:00 PM

- + FOR DANTE CURA ON HIS DEATH ANNIVERSARY
Offered by Sito Cura
- + IN THANKSGIVING FOR BABY HENRY PINTO
ON HIS FIRST BIRTHDAY Offered by Thaddeus
and Virginia Pinto
- + FOR THE SOUL OF ANNA MARIA MAZZA
Offered by Salvatore Mazza
- + FOR THE EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS OF MYANMAR
Offered by Ivan & Angela Guest

Wednesday, April 9 | 7:00 PM

- + FOR THE SOUL OF OSCAR BALAGOT
- + THANKSGIVING FOR FAVOURS RECEIVED

Thursday, April 10 | 9:30 AM

- + FOR LES BORBAS & WINGELL & FAMILY

Friday, April 11 | 9:30 AM

- + FOR MARY JO REGAN & FAMILY
Offered by Joan Rollison-Lorimer.
- + FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
READER AND ROLLISON FAMILIES
Offered by Joan Rollison-Lorimer.

Saturday, April 12 | 5:00 PM

- + FOR JOSEPHINE YABUT IN THANKSGIVING TO
GOD Offered by Mariel Bueno
- + FOR THE SOUL OF JULIO ABREU
Offered by Conrad Abreu
- + FOR THE SOUL OF THEODORE MANUK
Offered by the Manuk Family
- + FOR THE SOULS OF SARAH PINTO AND DOMINIC
PINTO Offered by Thaddeus and Virginia Pinto
- + FOR THE CARING MINISTRY'S HOMEBOUND
PARISHIONERS Offered by the members of the
Caring Ministry at Nativity
- + IN MEMORY OF MICKEY HAMILL
Offered by Trish Martin & Family
- + Souls of Joe & Ingrid Hancock and Joe &
Ina Reys – offered by Glenn & Deidre Reys

Season of Lent

“Jesus loves hidden souls. A hidden flower is the most fragrant. I must strive to make the interior of my soul a resting place for the Heart of Jesus.”

- St. Faustina

Prayer for vocations

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and divine love, impart Your knowledge, understanding, and counsel to youth that they may know the vocation they can best serve God. Give them courage and strength to follow God's holy will. Guide their uncertain steps, strengthen their resolutions, shield their chastity, fashion their minds, conquer their hearts, and lead them to the vineyards where they will labor in God's holy service. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Year of Prayer

The Year of Prayer, the Holy Father explained, is dedicated “to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world.” In advance of the Jubilee Year, the Archdiocese of Toronto created a video series which highlights the importance of prayer in our lives. The series focuses on the petitions of the Lord's Prayer as found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The first video is an introduction to the Year of Prayer by Archbishop Francis Leo. To watch visit: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/year-of-prayer/home/video-reflections/>

ShareLife

You open the door to safety from abuse. Your support of ShareLife-funded agencies is a saving grace for victims of domestic abuse. Maria was trapped in an abusive relationship, isolated from family and friends. A mother of three, pregnant with her fourth, she needed to escape for her safety and theirs. At Safe Centre of Peel, led by Catholic Family Services Peel-Dufferin, 17 partner agencies unite to care for families. They provide legal assistance, safe housing, and financial aid. Through your solidarity, Maria and her young children were able to secure the freedom they deserve. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

PARISH LIFE

Nativity of Our Lord CWL

CWL GENERAL MEETING ,Tuesday April 8 th

The meeting will begin with “Mary’s Way of the Cross” in the church, immediately following the 7:00 pm Mass. A short business meeting will follow in the Parish Hall.

SAVE THE DATE SATURDAY MAY 10th.

The CWL Annual Spring Market Café, from 9 am to 2 pm. There will be vendors with variety of crafts and handmade items. More details to follow.

Calling all ladies of the parish, if you are interested in joining this group of like-minded Catholic women, you can contact us at nativitycwl@gmail.com.

2025 Knights of Columbus Membership

The Knights of Columbus are always looking for new members, and we welcome all Catholic Men, 18 and over to join our Fraternity. We can be reached by email :- council12735@outlook.com

Nativity of Our Lord Friendly Visiting Ministry

If you are interested in being visited by the Nativity Friendly Visiting Ministry, please contact the parish office and give your name and phone number. A Friendly Visiting representative will reach out to you to answer your questions and discuss your needs. We look forward to meeting you!

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Nativity of Our Lord Conference

Our Society continues to help over 100 families coping with financial insecurity in our immediate area. Your generous financial support in the Poor Boxes makes this possible. Donations can also be made by e-transfer to SSVPNativity480@gmail.com. Please call (416) 695-0169 or speak with the Pastor if you require assistance. For more information on SSVP, please visit ssvptoronto.ca.

Our Lady of Nativity - Legion of Mary

Do you seek to enrich your prayer life and deepen your Catholic faith? Do you feel a calling to grow closer to Jesus and Mary? The Legion of Mary, founded in 1921, is a global ministry focused on the spiritual growth of its members and the parish community. Members gather weekly for prayer, spiritual reflections, and to plan apostolic activities such as visiting the sick, spreading devotion to Mary and teaching the Rosary. Through their commitment, Legion members foster a deeper relationship with God while promoting charity and service within our parish. **Join us as a guest at our weekly meeting on Saturday mornings at 10 a.m. —no obligation required**

EVENTS

Michael Power / St. Joseph’s

Graduation Class of 1975 High School Reunion (50 years since graduation!)

Location: Islington Golf Club

Date: Thursday, June 5, 2025

For more information: Contact Mike Cachia

Email: mcachia75@gmail.com

Wounded Healer

Saturday, April 12, 2025 09:00 AM - Saturday, April 12, 2025 02:30 PM. The Royalton Hospitality, 8201 Weston Rd., Vaughan

Women of the Word Toronto celebrates it’s 16th Annual Conference with Dr. Carol Razza, Dr. Josephine Lombardi, Mary Filangi and the WOW-T Team. For tickets and more information visit our website at www.wowblessingstoronto.com.

CONTACT: Women of the Word Toronto

WEB: www.wowblessingstoronto.com

POSTER: <https://bit.ly/40QLKzm>

104th Annual Convention of the Toronto Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women’s League

Monday, April 28, 2025 10:00 AM - Tuesday, April 29, 2025 09:00 PM. Ajax Convention Centre, 550 Beck Cres., Ajax, Ont.

All information is on our website: <https://cwltoronto.ca>

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