### **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 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 at 6:00 p.m., prayers at 6:30 p.m. and Holy Mass at 7:00 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**

Welcoming Ushers

Youth Ministry

Altar Servers	Mariel Bueno
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Catholic Cemeteries	416-733-8544
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of Holy Communion	Clive Ferrao
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Legion of Mary	Karen Armstrong
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R.C.I.A.	
Rosary Apostolate	Frances Caulfield
Sacristans	Clive Ferrao
Social Committee	Maria Del Rizzo
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St. Vincent de Paul Society	(requests for assistance)
	416-695-0169

Carol Janssen

Renee Sieczka

## AUGUST 17, 2025 WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 17 | 9:00 AM
PARISHIONERS OF NATIVITY
FOR THE SOUL OF ANTHONY PEDATELLA
Offered by Mary & Nick Pedatella
FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ANTHONY, THERESA &
CLAYTON D'SOUZA
Offered by Anthony D'Souza

Sunday, August 17 | 11:30 AM FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY Offered by Wendy Amaral

Monday, August 18 | 9:30 AM
FOR THE SOULS OF CHARLES &
GEORGETTE REEDER
Offered by Joan Rollinson-Reeder
FOR THE INTENTIONS OF GENUINO FAMILY
Offered by Evelyn Genuino

Tuesday, August 19 | 7:00 PM FOR THE INTENTIONS OF GERARD & JO-ANNE DOMET Offered by Chris & Sharon Bullock

Wednesday, August 20 | 7:00 PM
FOR MARIA LOURDES & GERALD MARCIAL
INTHANSGIVING TO GOD
Offered by a Mariel Bueno
FOR THE SOUL OF ROSY & ANTHONY D'SOUZA
Offered by Anthony D'Souza

Thursday, August 21 | 9:30 AM FOR THE SOULS OF CHARLES & GEORGETTE REEDER Offered by Joan Rollinson-Reeder

Friday, August 22 | 9:30 AM
FOR THE SOUL TONY MARIASELVANAYAGAM &
RONALD MARIASELVANAYAGAM FAMILY, LIVING
Offered by Anthony & Elizabeth Mariaselvanayagam

Saturday, August 23 | 5:00 PM FOR THE SOUL HELEN WISZ Offered by Ted Wisz

**Prayer For Vocations** 

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Amen

"We never give more honour to Jesus than when we honour his Mother, and we honour her simply and solely to honour him all the more perfectly. We go to her only as a way leading to the goal we seek — Jesus, her Son."

- ST. LOUIS DE MONTFORT

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### "That Blessed Upper Room"

Pastoral Letter from Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto

Cardinal Leo has released a comprehensive pastoral letter, inviting the faithful of the archdiocese to reflect together on the significance of The Upper Room in our lives, our families and in our communities of faith as this story is so directly connected to pivotal events in the life of Jesus and of the early Church. The letter is divided into nine chapters, dimensions of our Catholic Christian life.

We pray that this pastoral letter will be a useful and thoughtful spiritual reflection that will accompany you in the weeks and months to come. Please feel free to share with family and friends. Read more: https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/subsites/that-blessed-upper-room/home/

#### Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine Sunday, August 24, 2025 (16163 Highway 12 West, Midland, Ontario)

During this Jubilee Year, please consider joining Cardinal Leo and the bishops, priests and deacons of the Archdiocese for a pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine, a national holy and historic space honoring the lives of the Canadian Martyrs and a designated Archdiocesan Jubilee Site (for pilgrimage and plenary indulgence).

The program for the day will be as follows:

- 9:00 10:45 a.m. Arrival and personal time to explore and discover the grounds; Sacrament of Reconciliation offered
- 11:00 a.m. Holy Mass with Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch (you are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch limited catering available onsite)
- 1:30 p.m. Rosary Procession
- 2:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
- 2:45 p.m. Benediction
- 3:00 p.m. Fellowship and departure at leisure

Entrance Fee (payable on arrival) Adults: \$10 / Youth (0-18): Free. Please bring your own lawn chair for seating at Mass (and sunscreen and hat) You may wish to drive yourself or arrange with a parish or group to charter a bus. To register as an individual pilgrim or group or for more information, please visit: https://bit.ly/JubileePilgrimagetoMartyrsShrine

#### **PARISH LIFE**

#### R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christion Initiation of Adults)

We are planning to open the R.C.I.A. course in our parish. If you know of anyone who wants to become Catholic and would like to enroll in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults course, please ask them to call the parish office.

#### 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 ssyptoronto.ca.

#### **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 Knights Of Columbus

The Nativity Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization with the mission to empower Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community. They volunteer their time in service to Nativity Church, Families and the Community. The KOC are always looking for new members, Catholic Men, 18 and over are eligible to join. Please contact council 12735@outlook.com

#### The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is a Lay apostolate of the church. Here at Nativity of Our Lord we meet weekly on Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. We need new members to join us in our work of Evangelization. Please contact the Parish office to join and be part of our group. Pilgrim Virgin Statue is taken to homes and Enthronement of the Sacred Heart is done. All to the glory of God through Mary.

#### **Nativity of Our Lord CWL**

**To all Nativity Parishioners,** wishing everyone a safe and happy summer, from the members of the Nativity Catholic Women's League.

**Reminder** to all CWL members that our next general meeting will be in September. Date TBD.

#### Faith - Fun - Fulfillment

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.

#### **EVENTS**

Martyrs' Shrine Fall Gala 2025 Saturday, September 20, 2025 05:30 PM - Saturday, September 20, 2025 08:00 PM

Join us for the Martyrs' Shrine Fall Gala in Midland! We're inviting friends and supporters from across Simcoe County and Northern Ontario — and everyone else who has been touched by the Shrine — to gather for an unforgettable evening of fine dining, live entertainment, and community spirit, all in support of the Shrine's mission as we prepare for the Centennial.

Date: Saturday September 20, 2025

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Brooklea Golf and Country Club - 85767

Hwy 93, Midland, ON Admission: \$200 per ticket

Get your tickets now: https://martyrs-shrine.com/

fall-gala/

#### **ACTS Women's Retreat**

Thursday, September 25, 2025 06:30 PM - Sunday, September 28, 2025 12:00 PM

#### **Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre**

ACTS retreats are three-day retreat led by Catholic clergy, certified spiritual companions, and prior ACTS attendees. Men present men's retreats and women present women's retreats. The goal is to inspire spiritual renewal and strengthened faith while creating lasting friendships. Participants return to their communities with a deeper sense of connection to God and to each other, and a desire to live their faith more fully every day.

Please register at https://actscanada.org/



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