

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

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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	Marriel Bueno
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	Clive Ferrao
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.	
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

AUGUST 31, 2025

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 31 | 9:00 AM
PARISHIONERS OF NATIVITY
FOR THE SOUL OF MARIE COUTINHO
Offered by Josepha Martyre

Sunday, August 31 | 11:30 AM
FOR THE SOUL OF JOSEPH CURTIS
Offered by Frances Whelan
FOR THE SOUL OF SANTO FILIPPELLI
Offered by Rita Filippelli
FOR LINDA WISZ ON HER BIRTHDAY
Offered by Mary Mother of Carmel Community
FOR THE SOUL LESZEK CIESLUKOWSKI
Offered by Helen Cieslukowski
FOR THE SOUL OF JAN BEKUS & FAMILY
Offered by Roman Bekus & Dannie Mirecki

Monday, September 1 | 9:30 AM
FOR THE SOUL ANTON CURA ON HIS DEATH
ANNIVERSARY
Offered by Situ Cura

Tuesday, September 2 | 7:00 PM
FOR THE SOUL OF JUDIT RODRIGUES
Offered by a parishioner
FOR THE SOUL OF DAVID PERALTA
Offered by Elsa Peralta

Wednesday, September 3 | 7:00 PM
FOR THE SOUL OF IVO MIRANDA
Offered by a parishioner

Thursday, September 4 | 9:30 AM
FOR THE SOUL OF BABY EMILIA D'SOUZA
Offered by Clotilda & Louis D'Souza
FOR THE SOUL OF SALOME BRANDAO
Offered by Dorvalino Brandao
FOR THE SOUL OF IDA CARNIEL
Offered by John & Arlene Vale
FOR THE SOUL OF ANNE SCHWAB
Offered by John & Arlene Vale

Friday, September 5 | 9:30 AM
SOUL OF MARIO PASQUARELLI
Offered by Helen Peralta

Saturday, September 6 | 5:00 PM
FOR JOE & INGRID HANCOK AND JOE &
INA REYS
Offered by Glenn & Deidre Reys
FOR THE SOUL OF CONRAD REBEIRO
Offered by The Manuk Family
FOR ALL THE SOUL OF PURGATORY
Offered by Thaddeus & Virginia Pinto
FOR THE SOULS OF ALBERTA ROTONDO &
DOMENICA GALARDO
Offered by Mr. & Mrs. E. D'Carlo

"Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you, all
things pass away: God never changes"

— St. Teresa of Avila.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Friday Devotion

Please join us for Adoration this week! Friday, September 5th, 2025. Exposition will be at 6:00 p.m. Prayers at 6:30 p.m. and Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.

All are invited to join!

Nativity Of Our Lord Bereavement Support Group

480 Rathburn Road, Etobicoke

We invite you to join us starting on Thursday, September 25, 2025, at 7:00pm, in Upper Room #2 for the next 6-week small group session. September 25, October 2, October 9, October 16 and October 30 (7:00 to 9:00PM) Working through grief can be one of the most difficult times in our life.

We offer support and important information to assist you in reconciling your loss and to companion you on your grief journey. There is no cost to participants. All are welcome. To register and for more information, contact the parish office at: 416-621-2732

Join Us for Our Annual Ministry Fair! Save the date – Sunday, September 28, 2025

We warmly invite you to our Annual Ministry Fair on Sunday, September 28, in the Parish Hall following the 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Masses. All our Ministry members will be there to chat with you, share information about the good work they do, and answer any questions you may have. You can also find a list of our parish Ministries on the front page of the parish bulletin.

We sincerely hope you'll join Fr. Jan and your fellow parishioners for coffee, conversation, and a wonderful opportunity to get involved in the life of our parish.

1 Peter 4:10: "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

PARISH LIFE

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The R.C.I.A. course in our parish is set to begin Wednesday October 15th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 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](mailto: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.

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 council12735@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.

ShareLife Food Security Grants

As food insecurity worsens across the Archdiocese of Toronto, our Catholic community is responding with its largest-ever contribution to fight hunger. ShareLife, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto (CCAT), and two generous anonymous donors, have pledged a combined \$800,000 in Food Security Grants for 2025

Frank Cardinal Leo spoke about the call to compassion and action: "We cannot turn away from the suffering around us, especially when so many struggle just to eat. Our Catholic family is called not only to witness God's love but to live it boldly: feed the hungry, restore dignity, and stand shoulder to shoulder with those in need. As Scripture reminds us in Isaiah 58:10, 'If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness.' Together, through these grants and our generous hearts, we bring hope where despair threatens to take hold."

EVENTS

Men & Women Silent Retreat: Called to love as God Loves

Friday, September 19, 2025 06:30 PM - Sunday, September 21, 2025 01:00 PM. Men & Women Ignatian Retreat: Jesus Christ loves us in a certain way and we are sent to go and do likewise. To love with a love that is self-giving and self-forgetting. This SILENT retreat begins on Friday evening and runs to Sunday with lunch. The suggested offering is \$270 per person which includes two night's accommodation, meals, spiritual direction and retreat program. Facilitated by: Fr. John Sullivan, SJ. REGISTER: Via email at manre-saregistration@outlook.com

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