

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD PARISH

Established June 7, 1964

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OUR PARISH TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Jan Gogolewski

Administrative Coordinator: David Ellis

Youth Minister: Arianne Hashim

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: Lisa Tomeczek
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	Mariel Bueno
Bereavement Support Group	Linda Wisz
Bible Study / R.C.I.A.	Franklin & Anjali Louis
Caring Ministry	Karen Armstrong
Catholic Cemeteries	416-733-8544
Catholic Family Services	416-921-1163
Catholic Women's League	Donna Capobianco
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Clive Ferrao
Knights of Columbus	Neville Saldanha
Lectors	Leslie Borbas
Legion of Mary	Karen Armstrong
Property/Finance	Peter Matthews
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

DECEMBER 14, 2025

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 14 | 9:00 AM

PARISHIONERS OF NATIVITY
FOR THE SOUL OF JERZY KLUKOWSKI
Offered by her daughter Margaret
FOR THE SOUL OF TED JANICKI
Offered by Marek & Anna Kowalczyk & Family
FOR THE SOUL OF DANIEL CAMELO
Offered by Dorothy & Enclaid Pinto
FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SHERYL MACKEY
Offered by Anita Handrahan
FOR THE SOUL OF PERCY D'SOUZA ON
HIS 25 TH DEATH ANNIVERSARY
Offered by Ken, Derek & Shirley D'Souza
FOR THE SOUL OF NELLA JANNETTA
Offered by the Carpino Family

Sunday, December 14 | 11:30 AM

FOR THE HEALING OF TERESITA BERNARDO
Offered by Jan Jan Bernardo and Family
FOR THE SOUL OF RICKY COELHO
Offered by Gloria Fernandes & Family

Monday, December 15 | 9:30 AM

FOR THE SOUL OF JULIUS CESAR BUENO
Offered by Mariel Bueno
FOR THE SOUL OF ANNA PIERRI
Offered by Denise, Enzo & Milena Pierri
FOR THE SOUL OF PAULA PETRIE ON
HER 4 TH DEATH ANNIVERSARY
Offered by Sheree Hryhor
FOR THE SOUL OF MATE GRANIC
Offered by the Kolic Family

Tuesday, December 16 | 7:00 PM

FOR GLEN & DEIDRE REYS ON THEIR 25 TH
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
Offered by Glen & Deidre Reys

Wednesday, December 17 | 7:00 PM

FOR THE SOUL OF MARINA LAVIGNE
Offered by Maria McEvenue
FOR THE LOVELL FAMILY
Offered by Monica Lovell
FOR THE SOUL OF MARY ELIZABETH VINETT
Offered by the Rosary Apostolate
FOR THE SOUL OF FELIX SIAUCIUNAS
Offered by the Podbielski Family

Thursday, December 18 | 9:30 AM

FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
ROSARY APOSTOLATE
Offered by the Rosary Apostolate of Etobicoke
FOR THE INTENTIONS OF DOREEN SAZUNIC ON
HER BIRTHDAY Offered by Linda Wisz

Friday, December 19 | 9:30 AM

FOR JULIA POWELL
Offered by Maria McEvenue
FOR JACINTA HARRINGTON
Offered by Maria McEvenue
FOR THE SOUL OF ASSUNTA RUSSIELLO
Offered by the Teachers of Michael Power & St. Joseph's

Saturday, December 20 | 5:00PM

IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE REYS FAMILY,
GLEN & DEIDRE REYS
Offered by Glen & Deidre Reys
FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE COLACO &
SEQUEIRA FAMILIES
Offered by Brian Colaco
FOR CRISTINA FIGUEREIDO, LIVING,
IN THANKSGIVING
Offered by a Parishioner
IN THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S UNCONDITIONAL
LOVE FOR US
Offered by the Murree Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Closing Mass for the Year of Jubilee

The Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to extend a warm invitation to the faithful to join with Cardinal Leo for the Closing Mass for the Year of Jubilee on Sunday, December 28, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 5 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available with numerous priests present from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. Each Jubilee Pilgrimage Church will also celebrate a Closing Mass for the Year of the Jubilee on Sunday, December 28, 2025, at a regularly scheduled mass of their own choice.

"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire..."
- Pope Francis

Totus Tuus Toronto 2026

Totus Tuus ("Totally Yours") is a dynamic Catholic summer program that brings faith, fun, and renewal to parishes across the Archdiocese of Toronto. Designed as a week-long "parish mission" for youth in Grades 1–12, Totus Tuus helps parishes proclaim the Gospel and ignite a deeper love for Jesus, Mary, and the Church among young people. The Office of Vocations hires, forms and sends out teams of 4 university-aged missionaries—young Catholic leaders who are discerning their vocation and dedicated to serving the Church. These missionaries bring energy, witness, and authentic joy as they lead faith-filled activities, catechesis, and prayer throughout the week. If you know young adults (ages 18–30) interested in serving as Totus Tuus missionaries, please encourage them to apply.

Missionary Application: <https://forms.gle/9oU7KqvY-s4w6DrPbA>. CONTACT: Office of Vocations EMAIL: totustuus@archtoronto.org PHONE: 416-934-6812 WEBSITE: www.totustuustoronto.ca

Advent Prayer

God of power and mercy open our hearts in welcome.
Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

PARISH LIFE

Nativity of Our Lord CWL

2026 CWL MEMBERSHIP

It is time to renew your CWL Membership for 2026. The annual fee is \$40. If paying by cheque, please make it payable to The Catholic Women's League of Canada. You can place your cheque or cash in a sealed envelope marked CWL Membership and drop it off at the church office. Or you can pay by e-transfer to nativitycwl@gmail.com. Be sure to check your emails and/or visit the CWL bulletin board outside the parish hall for CWL News and updates.

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

Our Society helps many families in need in our immediate area. Our annual collection will take place on December 13th & 14th. Our annual report will be available soon. Donation envelopes are found in your Parish donation boxes and will be placed at the Parish entrances. Donations may be made in the weekend mass collections or by mailing or dropping an SSVP envelope at the parish office (with donation designated for SSVP, your name, address, parish envelope number and donation amount indicated). Donations may also be made by e-transfer to SSVPNativity480@gmail.com. Tax receipts will be mailed in February 2026 for donations over \$20 received up to December 31st, 2025. Thank you for your generosity.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Nativity of Our Lord Youth Ministry

2-3 hours doesn't always feel like much, but it's enough time to make a meaningful impact in someone's life. Do you have 2-3 hours of time to give every other week? Would you like to make an impact building up your parish community? Nativity Youth Ministry is looking for adult volunteers to join our core team—maybe that's you! We're calling out all young adults, adults, parents, teachers, aunts, uncles, ministers, grandparents, friends who have a heart for Jesus to reach out and learn more about what we do at Youth Ministry! Email Arianne@youthminister@nativityym.com for more info!

EVENTS & MORE

Friars Student Writing Contest 2026 (November 3, 2025, to January 12, 2026)

Theme: "The gifts he gave were for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." (cf. Eph 4:13) High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to submit a 450–500-word essay and should consult the resources of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026 at <https://bit.ly/WPCU2026>. Entries can be submitted at: <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>.

Advent Lessons and Carols

Tuesday, December 09, 2025 07:00 PM - Tuesday, December 09, 2025 08:00 PM. St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Parish, 1148 Finch Ave. The Youth and Parish Choirs of St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Pickering, invite you to an evening of Lessons and Carols. Use this time for contemplation and for preparing our hearts for the mystery of Christ's incarnation and His promised future.

Men Silent Retreat: Pilgrims of Hope: Guided by the Past, Inspired by the Future.

Friday, January 23, 2026 06:30 PM - Sunday, January 25, 2026 01:30 PM

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre

Men Ignatian Retreat: As people of faith, we journey together as pilgrims—rooted in God's faithfulness, strengthened by hope, and called to witness in love. This year's theme, "Pilgrims of Hope: Guided by the Past, Inspired by the Future," invites us to reflect on where we have come from, where God is leading us, and how we are called to live today. Through three moments of reflection, we will: Remember the Past: Celebrating God's enduring faithfulness throughout history. Walk in Hope: Entrusting our future into God's hands with courage and confidence. Live the Present: Bearing witness through love, compassion, and service in our world today.

Come and journey with us as we discover anew what it means to be pilgrims of hope—grateful for the past, trusting for the future, and faithful in the present.

This SILENT retreat begins on Friday evening and runs to Sunday with lunch. The suggested offering is \$270 per person which includes two nights' accommodation, meals, spiritual direction and retreat program. Facilitated by: Fr. Dexter Gray, SJ

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