

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD PARISH

Established June 7, 1964

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OUR PARISH TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Jan Gogolewski

Parish Secretary: Liliana Fazenda

Youth Minister:

Social Communications Coordinator: Abigail Murree

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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.-12:00 p.m. &
12:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday-Sunday Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

Monday 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday & Wednesday
7:00 p.m.

Friday 9:30 a.m. & 7pm
first Friday of the month

Saturday 5:00 p.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	Caroline D'Souza
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
Lay Carmelite Community	Linda Wisz
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

AUGUST 9, 2026

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 9 | 9:00 AM

PARISHIONERS OF NATIVITY

FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION FOR CARMEN MARTINS ON HER BIRTHDAY

Offered by A Parishioner

FOR THE SOUL OF PATRICIA ANN NIJHUIS

Offered by Julia Nixon

Sunday, August 9 | 11:30 AM

FOR THE SOUL OF CARMELA PRETE SALITURO & FAMILY

Offered by Rita Filippelli

FOR THE SOUL OF MARY FORAN

Offered by Volpe Family

IN THANKSGIVING FOR FLORA AMDOLA

Offered by D'souza Family

Monday, August 10 | 9:30 AM

FOR THE SOUL OF VICTOR & MARIA BRANCATELLA

Offered by Elizabeth Iozzo

Tuesday, August 11 | 7:00 PM

FOR THE SOUL OF ANTONIO & CATERINA IOZZO

Offered by Elizabeth Iozzo

FOR THE SOUL OF CRISTOPHER FERRAO

Offered by Clive & Alba Ferrao

Wednesday, August 12 | 7:00 PM

FOR BUNNY CURA ON HER BIRTHDAY

Offered by Sito Cura

FOR THE SOUL OF DORVALINO BRANDAO

Offered by Turalija Family

Thursday, August 13 | 9:30 AM

FOR THE SOUL OF MERVEN DOMAGALA

Offered by Robert & Zrinka Domagala

FOR THE SOULS OF NELLA JANNETTA &

ANTONIETTA & MARIANO & MICELLI

Offered by Frances Jacques

FOR THE SOUL OF FELICIDAD COMAGON ON HER

27TH DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Offered by Nancy De Guia

Friday, August 14 | 9:30 AM

FOR THE SOUL OF DAVID PIKE

Offered by Dolores Pike

Saturday, August 15 | 5:00 PM

FOR BEATRICE & PATRICK MANUK ON THEIR

56th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

FOR THE SOUL OF JANE RODRIGUES

Offered by Mela & Cassie D'cunha

FOR THE SOUL OF SARAH PINTO

Offered by The Pinto Family

FOR THE SOUL OF GEORGE REMEDIOS MAY HE REST IN PEACE

Offered by Elsa Peralta

IN THANKSGIVING TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Offered by D'souza Family

Vocations - Prayer for Discernment

God, I know You love me and have great plans for me. But sometimes I am overwhelmed by the thought of my future. Show me how to walk forward one day at a time. May I take heart while I search openly, learn about all the choices, listen to others for advice, and pay attention to my own feelings. By doing these things, may I hear your call to a lifestyle and a career that will let me love as only I can, and let me serve others with the special gifts that You have given me. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RCIA & Marriage Preparation Ministry

Our parish is pleased to announce the beginning of this courses at the end of the summer. Please refer to the posters placed at the entrances of the church for details, visit Nativity website or call the office. Secure your spot today.

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed - 2026

Held annually across cemetery locations, this special mass offers an opportunity to gather in prayer, remember loved ones who have gone before us and celebrate the hope and promise of eternal life. Date/Time: August 12 @7pm, more info at www.archtoronto.org

Share Life

Your support for ShareLife helps fund over 40 agencies that care for families, children, seniors, newcomers, and people with special needs. Every gift—big or small—changes lives. Give today. Transform tomorrow.

Fitness Classes

Nativity's fitness is returning September 10th! Drop-in every Monday and Thursday at 1pm. The cost of only 7\$/class. This program is geared for ages 60+ but it is still a moderately lively Aerobic Class, so all are welcome! For more information e-mail dalemm55@yahoo.ca

FEASTS & MEMORIALS OF SAINTS

August 8 - Memorial Of St. Dominic

Founder of the Order of Preachers, devoted his life to preaching the Gospel, encouraged study, prayer, and devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and helped spread the Rosary as a powerful spiritual tool.

"St. Dominic, guide us in truth and charity. Help us proclaim Christ with courage and compassion. Amen."

August 9 - Feast Of

St. Teresa Benedicta Of The Cross

Carmelite, Martyr, a leading philosopher before converting to Catholicism, entered the Carmelite Order and was martyred at Auschwitz, honored as a witness to human dignity and sacrificial love. "St. Teresa Benedicta, strengthen us in truth and hope. May your witness inspire peace and compassion. Amen."

August 10 - Feast Of St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

Roman Deacon and Defender of the Poor, served the Church's poor with joy, presented the poor themselves when ordered to surrender the Church's treasures, model of courage and charity. "St. Lawrence, teach us joyful generosity. Help us see Christ in those in need. Amen."

August 14 - Memorial Of St. Maximilian Kolbe

Martyr of Charity, devoted to the Virgin Mary, founded media apostolates and missionary centers, offered his life for a prisoner in Auschwitz, John Paul II declared him "the patron of our difficult century", the church venerates him as patron of amateur radio operators, drug addicts, political prisoners, families, journalists, and prisoners and he is known as the "apostle of consecration to Mary". "St. Maximilian Kolbe, inspire us to love without counting the cost. Help us trust in Mary's protection. Amen."

August 15 - Solemnity Of The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

The Church celebrates Mary being taken body and soul into heaven, affirms her purity, her role as Mother of God and the hope of resurrection promised to all the faithful. Although May is considered the month of Mary, August is dedicated to her Immaculate Heart. "Mary, assumed into heaven, lead us closer to your Son. Strengthen our hope in eternal life. Amen."

The Feast of the Assumption Prayer

"Almighty and everlasting God, You have taken up body and soul into the heavenly glory the Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of Your Son. Grant, we beseech You, that, ever intent upon heavenly things, we may be worthy to be partakers of her glory. Through Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen."

PARISH LIFE

Nativity of Our Lord CWL 2026

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday Sept 24 th 2026, 7:00 pm. Presentation/Information Night on "Fraud Awareness and Protection", hosted by Nativity CWL. This will be held in the parish hall and will be open to everyone. More details to follow.

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.

Knights Of Columbus

Knights of Columbus are always looking for new members and welcome Catholic men 18 yrs and over to join our fraternity. We can be reached at by email council12735@outlook.com or call Br. Neville 416 620 5976.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul provides support to those in need. Our diverse outreach addresses food insecurity in local communities, and includes professionally run shelters, recovery programs, summer camps and much more. The Nativity Conference, part of an international organization, helps more than 100 families in the immediate area to cope with financial insecurity. This includes providing families or individuals with food and clothing vouchers and basic furniture. To request assistance, the phone number is (416) 695-0169. For more information about the organization, please see ssvptoronto.ca. Donations can be made via our poor boxes in the parish or by e-transfer to [SSVPNativity480@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpNativity480@gmail.com).

Nativity Seniors Connection

Nativity Seniors Connections thanks all participants who came out to enjoy fellowship and activities at our monthly gatherings. It was fun and we appreciate your presence. We will reconvene on Friday, September 4 after the summer. NSC is a monthly gathering designed to bring our parish seniors together for fellowship and connection. We meet on the first Friday of each month, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. Mass, in the church hall. Upcoming dates are September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4. The goal for this group is to support and appreciate our parish seniors by providing a welcoming space to enjoy conversation, coffee, and cookies. All seniors are invited and warmly encouraged to join us! See you Friday, September 4 for coffee, chat and some line dancing. The Social Committee

Our Lady of Nativity – Legion of Mary

The Blessed Virgin Mary's Assumption: A Sign of Hope. The Church celebrates the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15, honouring Mary's unique place in salvation history and the hope promised to all who remain faithful to Christ. The Assumption proclaims that Mary, at the end of her earthly life, was taken body and soul into heavenly glory. As the first fruits of Christ's victory over sin and death, she points to the destiny God desires for His people. Mary's greatness came not from earthly power or fame, but from her humble "yes" to God. Her life teaches us to trust Him, serve with love, and remain faithful in sorrow and difficulty. As we celebrate this feast, let us ask Mary to intercede for our parish and families, inspiring us to live with hope, deepen our faith, and trust in Christ's promise of eternal joy. Pilgrim Virgin Statue Visit – Continue honouring Our Blessed Mother by welcoming the Legion of Mary Pilgrim Virgin Statue into your home for family prayer, especially the Rosary. To arrange a visit, contact the parish office or speak with a member of Our Lady of Nativity's Legion of Mary.

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