

# NATIVITY OF OUR LORD PARISH

*Established June 7, 1964*

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## OUR PARISH TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Jan Gogolewski

Parish Secretary: Liliana Fazenda

Residence: Fr. Ignacio Pinedo

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.-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.

Thursday & Friday

9:30 a.m.

First Friday of the month

7:00 p.m.

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

Chris D'Souza

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Linda Wisz

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Leslie Borbas

Legion of Mary

Karen Armstrong

Property/Finance

Peter Matthews

Rosary Apostolate

Frances Caulfield

Sacristans

Clive Ferrao

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Maria Del Rizzo

St. Vincent de Paul

John Neander

St. Vincent de Paul Society (requests for assistance)

416-695-0169

Youth Minister:

Merite Gnonlonfin

Welcoming Ushers

Carol Janssen

# SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, September 20 | 9:00 AM**

PARISHIONERS OF NATIVITY

SPECIAL INTENTION FOR MARIA LOURDES BUENO MARCIAL  
IN THANKSGIVING TO GOD

Offered by Mariel Bueno

FOR THE SOUL OF MA LUISA MUNOZ RAMIREZ

Offered by Laura Cassani

FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THERESA, ANTHONY AND  
CLAYTON D'SOUZA

Offered by D'souza Family

TEDDY JANICKI ON THE 2ND DEATH ANNIVERSARY  
AND FOR HIS BIRTHDAY

Offered by Ewa Janicki And Family, With Love

**Sunday, September 20 | 11:30 AM**

FOR THE SOUL OF FREDERICO FRANCISCO DIAS  
AND BABY FREDDIE

Offered by Ella Dias

FOR THE SOUL OF GINA STRANGES

Offered by Her Sister Teresa Stranges

FOR THE SOUL OF STEFANIA BURES AND FAMILY

Offered by Daniel Roman

FOR THE SOULS OF LEAH & ELPIDIO ARAWIRAN  
AND LORETO ANICETE

Offered by Lovellea Arawiran-Bernardo

**Monday September 21 | 9:30 AM**

FOR THE SOUL OF FREDERICO FRANCISCO DIAS

Offered by Ella Dias & Family

**Tuesday, September 22 | 7:00 PM**

FOR THE SOUL OF ANTHONY MCEVENUE

Offered by Maria Mcevenue

**Wednesday, September 23 | 7:00 PM**

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY INTENTION FOR DANIELLE GROGAN

Offered by Maria Mcevenue

**Thursday, September 24 | 9:30 AM**

FOR THE SOUL OF ANTONIO DIAS

Offered by The Dias Family

**Friday, September 25 | 9:30 AM**

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY INTENTION FOR ERIK MADDEAUX

Offered by Maria Mcevenue

**Saturday, September 26 | 5:00 PM**

FOR TED WISZ, MAY HIS SOUL REST IN PEACE

Offered by Doreen Remedios

FOR THE SOUL OF DORVALINO BRANDAO

Offered by Patricia Dyson

IN THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSINGS AND GRACES RECEIVED

Offered by Denzil And Rita Fernandez

### Vocations – To know One's Vocation

Lord, my God and my loving Father, You have made me to know You, to love You, to serve You, and thereby to find and to fulfill myself. I know that You are in all things, and that every path can lead me to You. But of them all, there is one especially by which You want me to come to You. Since I will do what You want of me, I pray You send your Holy Spirit into my mind, to show me what You want of me, into my heart, to give me the determination to do it, and to do so with all my love, all my mind, and all my strength right to the end. Amen

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Thanksgiving Food Drive

From now to October 12 we will be collecting non-perishable food donations for the Good Shepherd Ministries, to help families and individuals experiencing hardship. As we prepare to give thanks, let's also share our blessings with those in need. Look for the designated area by the altar for you to drop off your items.

### Life Chain 2026

On October 4, stand with thousands of pro-life individuals across USA and Canada in honor of millions of babies whose lives have been lost to abortion. Save the date and participate in this peaceful and prayerful event for the protection of preborn children.

### Christmas Cards

Christmas is just around the corner, and the Nativity Christmas Cards have arrived! Get yours today at the Parish Office and send your Christmas wishes in style this year! Price is 2\$ each or 15\$ for a bundle of ten.

### Altar Servers

Nativity is welcoming new Altar Servers. We invite all children/youth, who received their First Communion, to consider becoming part of our team. Please speak with Fr Jan after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

### RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is starting October 7. If you or anyone you know wants to become a catholic, or was baptized catholic but did not receive the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation, we invite you to participate. Full details and registration at the parish website <https://nativityof-fourlordet.archtoronto.org>

### Donations for victims of Natural Catastrophes

We are accepting donations for the victims of the August 26th flash floodings and mudslides in Nepal, and the August 10th earthquake in Colombia. If you are able, consider making a donation for this causes.

### Novena to St. Michael the Archangel

His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, invites us to join him in praying a Novena to St. Michael, from September 18 to September 26, in anticipation to the Solemnity of St. Michael the Archangel, the patron Saint of the Archdiocese of Toronto, on September 27.

### Nativity Memorial Mass for All Souls Departed

Brothers and sisters, This coming November 11th at 7:00 PM, we will gather for a special Mass for All Souls Departed in our Parish. On this day, we remember and pray for all our loved ones who have gone before us in faith. We warmly invite everyone to attend in memory of the family members and friends you wish to commend to God's mercy. Let us come together as a parish community to lift them up in prayer and to find comfort in the hope of the Resurrection. Please mark your calendars and join us for this beautiful and meaningful celebration.

## LIVES OF SAINTS

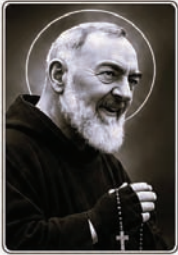
"What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword... No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Cf. Romans 8:35-39) Let us thank God for His love and for all the graces we receive daily, by thinking and acting more in Jesus' image and learning from the examples of those who spent their lives doing so.

**September 20: Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions**

103 Korean martyrs (priests and lay faithful) gave their lives for Christ during persecutions in the 19th century. Their witness shows the strength of faith lived with courage. "Lord, through the courage of the Korean Martyrs, strengthen our faith and help us remain steadfast in Your love. Amen"

**September 21: Saint Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**

A tax collector called by Jesus, Matthew became an Apostle and author of the first Gospel. His conversion reveals the power of Christ's mercy. "God of mercy, through Saint Matthew's conversion, draw us closer to You and make us faithful witnesses of the Gospel. Amen"



**SEPTEMBER 23**

**SAINT PIUS**

**OF PIETRELCINA**

**• FUN FACTS & CURIOSITIES •**

**THE STIGMATA**  
Saint Pius received the stigmata (the wounds of Christ) in 1918, which remained visible on his hands, feet, and side for 50 years.

**A MAN OF PRAYER**  
He spent long hours in prayer before the tabernacle, often saying, "Prayer is the best weapon we have; it is the key to God's heart."

**APOSTLE OF CONFESSION**  
He heard confessions for up to 10-12 hours a day. People traveled from all over the world to seek his spiritual guidance.

**HUMBLE & OBEDIENT**  
Despite his many gifts, he remained incredibly humble and deeply obedient to his Franciscan vocation and his superiors.

**A HEART FOR SOULS**  
He had a special compassion for the suffering and the poor, and founded the Home for the Relief of Suffering.

**A PRAYER TO SAINT PIO**  
Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, you loved God with all your heart and served others with deep compassion. Pray for us, that we may grow in faith, hope, and love, and always trust in the mercy of God. *Amen.*



**PARISH LIFE**

**Nativity of Our Lord CWL 2026**

**September 24 (7:00pm - 8:30pm)** - "Fraud Awareness and Protection" presentation at the Parish Hall

**October 4 (11:30am - 3pm)** - 55th Anniversary Luncheon at Markland Woods. Cost \$70, tickets at

NativityCWL@gmail.com

**Saint Vincent de Paul**

Helping those in need with food assistance, shelter, recovery programs, summer camps and more. The Nativity Conference assists over 100 local families with food and clothing vouchers and basic furniture. If you need help call: 416-695-0169, learn more: ssvptoronto.ca or donate: parish poor boxes or e-transfer ssvpnativity480@gmail.com

**Our Lady of Nativity-Legion of Mary**

Focused on spiritual growth, and apostolic work: visiting the sick and nursing homes, teaching the rosary in schools and domiciliary visits of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. We meet on Saturdays at 10 am for prayers, if you are interested in joining us, call the Parish Office

**Fitness Classes**

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

**First Holy Communion/Reconciliation Program**

For students in Grade 2 or higher is about to start and the Information package is now available. Registration will run online from September 14th to December 18th at Nativity of Our Lord Website/Parish Life/Sacraments. You will need an English copy of the child Baptismal Certificate and the cost is 60\$. If your child needs baptism, please contact the parish office. For specific questions email the program coordinator miriam.fhc.rec@gmail.com or call the Parish Office and request a call back.

**Nativity Seniors Connection**

Nativity Seniors Connections 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. Our next session is on Friday, October 2 following the 9:30am mass in the church hall. We have a guest speaker from the Archdiocese of Toronto visiting to speak about Technology Scam Prevention. The goal of this initiative is to support and appreciate our parish seniors by providing a welcoming space to enjoy conversation, coffee, and cookies together. Gatherings to follow on November 6 and December 4.

**Nativity of Our Lord Bereavement Group**

480 Rathburn Road, Etobicoke. We invite you to join us starting on Tuesday, October 27, at 7:00 pm, in Upper Room #1 for the next 6-week small group session. October 27, November 3, November 10, November 17, November 24, December 1 (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 Caroline D'Souza 416 200 0774 or the parish office at: 416-621-2732

**Join Us for Our Annual Ministry Fair!**

Save the date – We warmly invite you to our Annual Ministry Fair on Sunday, September 27, 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. 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." Dates for following Coffee Sundays are October 25 and November 29. See you there!

**Knights of Columbus**

We are looking for new members and volunteers! It's a great opportunity to meet new people, get involved in our parish/community, and make a difference. Volunteering with the Knights can also help you develop valuable skills, including Customer service, communication, Planning, Teamwork, Event planning, public speaking and networking. We would love to have you join us, come meet us! Email Chris at council12735@outlook.com or call our Church office.

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