NATIVITY OF OUR LORD PARISH

Established June 7, 1964

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OUR PARISH TEAM
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Parish Secretary: Liliana Fazenda
Residence: Fr. Ignacio Pinedo
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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
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
Youth Minister:	Merite Gnonlonfin
Welcoming Ushers	Carol Janssen

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY - 25 OCTOBER - 9:00AM
PARISHIONERS OF NATIVITY
SPECIAL INT - LUIS ERNESTO SAN JUAN
†TED JANICKI

SUNDAY - 25 OCTOBER - 11:30AM
SPECIAL INT - SANTAN & OMEGA D'MELLO
†ZYGMUND BEKUS & FAMILY
†LESZEK CIESLUKOWSKI
†CELESTINE & JOHN D'SOUZA
SPECIAL INT - LILIANA FAZENDA & FAMILY

MONDAY - 26 OCTOBER - 9:30AM
SPECIAL INT - GLYN YABUT

TUESDAY - 27 OCTOBER - 7:00PM
SPECIAL INT - JOHN BULLOCK
†ROSALIA ESCOBEDO DE PRIETO

WEDNESDAY - 28 OCTOBER - 7:00PM
†JOE DIAS

THURSDAY - 29 OCTOBER - 9:30AM
†GEORGE XUEREB

FRIDAY - 30 OCTOBER - 9:30AM
† ERIC PENNY

SATURDAY - 31 OCTOBER - 5:00PM
† CARMELA & MICHAEL VALENTE
† LUCY SOUZA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Boiler replacement
The comfort of our parishioners is a priority at Nativity and, unfortunately, the regular Fall Maintenance Inspection revealed the need to replace several parts of the Church's Boiler in order to properly maintain comfort temperatures year round. The labour, replacement parts and corresponding Inspection represent alone a cost of approximately 10 000 dollars. We are accepting donations to help us support this costs. If you are able to help, drop off your donation at the Church Office, in an identified envelope during Mass collections, or speak with Fr. Jan after the Mass. Your help is appreciated.

Municipal Election 2026
All Catholics are strongly encouraged to exercise their democratic right to vote on the October 26 election. We hope you take time to know the candidates, especially the Catholic School Board Trustees. To ensure you are given a ballot to vote for the Catholic school Board, make sure you are registered as a separate school supporter. If your support status is not up do date, ask for an Application to Amend Voter's List. This form may be completed and submitted at the polling station. Save the date, plan ahead and help our schools remain rooted in Faith!

Church Bulletin Advertising
Church Bulletin Advertising Advertisements are being set for the church bulletin and will begin on December 2026. Please remember the bulletin is an important way in which we keep parishioners informed about what is happening in the church. We strongly encourage you to publicize your product or service here. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

Christmas Poinsettia Garden
Parishioners can purchase 8 inch potted poinsettias that will be placed around the altar for Christmas. Each one is 25$ and Special envelopes will be available for parishioners to place their donation, along with an intention. That intention will later be placed on the pot in the altar, once the flowers arrive. Kindly place your order by November 1st at the office or leave it at the Offertory Baskets at Mass.

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.



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.

PARISH LIFE

Nativity of Our Lord CWL 2026
Save the Date! CWL Annual Christmas Bazaar, Saturday November 14th , 9:00 am to 2:00pm. More details to follow 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. Back by popular demand- Nativity CWL Annual Fundraiser. Fruitcake,Shortbread Cookies and Chocolate Covered Almonds. Preordering is recommended as supply is limited. See the flyers at all church entrances for more information. Or you can contact us at nativitycwl@gmail.com.

Our Lady of Nativity-Legion of Mary
Once again, the Legion of Mary will lead the Recitation of the Rosary at the Crowning of Mary on Saturday October 31st. This will take place right after the 5pm Mass in the Church. All parishioners are welcome to join us in this special Marian Devotion. Moreover, if you are interested in spiritual growth and apostolic work, like visiting the sick and nursing homes, teaching the rosary in schools and domiciliary visits of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue, consider joining us! We meet on Saturdays at 10am for prayers, call the Parish Office for registration.

Nativity of Our Lord Bereavement Group
Join us starting on Tuesday/October 27 at 7:00 pm, in Room #1 for the next 6-week small group session. Following dates: November 3, November 10, November 17, November 24, December 1. 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 parish office.

First Holy Communion/Reconciliation Program
For students in Grade 2 or higher. Information package is now available, and registration is open at the Nativity Website/Parish Life/Sacraments. You will need an English copy of the child Baptismal Certificate, and the cost is 60$. For questions email miriam.fhc.rec@gmail.com or call the Parish Office.

Nativity Seniors Connection
A monthly gathering designed to bring our parish seniors together for fellowship and connection. We meet in the church Hall on the first Friday of each month, following the 9.30am Mass. 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 3

Funeral Services Planning
Planning ahead is one of the most thoughtful and compassionate decisions you can make for your family. Join us on November 14 @ 9am for an informative session designed to help you understand your options and make confident, faith informed decisions. Seminar will be held in the funeral home of Assumption Catholic Cemetery in Mississauga. Register by calling 905-670-8801 ext 2410.

Social Committee
Join Fr. Jan and your fellow parishioners for a warm coffee and take the opportunity to get involved in our lively parish! Our upcoming Coffee Sundays will be held after each morning Mass on Sunday, October 25 and Sunday, November 29. Come for the coffee, stay for the community. See you there!

Knights of Columbus
KOC Dinner Dance, Saturday, November 7, 2026 at 6pm
Dinner, music, dancing, fellowship and prizes, while supporting the charitable work of the KOC. Dinner includes Beef Steak, Chicken, Fish,Veggie Rice, Garden Salad, Parisienne Potatoes, Vegetables, Dinner Rolls & Butter. We kindly welcome donations of gifts or prizes for our raffle. Thank You to all who have donated or promised to bring a donation. Tickets will be sold at the weekend masses or at the parish office on weekdays.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul
The next Bundle Up Weekend will be held on Saturday November 7 and Sunday November 8. The Society will be collecting gently used clothing, footwear, bedding, drapes, towels, and children's toys (new toys only). Please, no mattresses, dishes, video/audio cassettes, baby cribs, car seats, strollers, and any other baby furniture, books, construction material, and furniture, with the exception of small dressers. Please bring your donations to the Society's container at the rear parking lot. Volunteers will be available to assist you during each of the three weekend masses on Saturday Nov. 7 (5PM), and on Sunday Nov. 8 (9 and 11:30AM), from a half hour before, during, and after each mass. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Secondary students are welcome to volunteer for hours required for community involvement.

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

Nativity Youth Ministry
Our Youth Initiatives EDGE (Gr 6–8) and LIFETEEN (High School) are up and running, offering our youngsters a place to grow in faith, build community, and explore their relationship with Christ. Also, the Confirmation package is now available. All youth programs and Confirmation details, as well as online registration can be found at the Nativity Youth Ministry website at nativityym.com. Come join us, make new friends and ask questions, we hope to see you soon!

HALLOWEEN AND THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Halloween has often been misunderstood as a "pagan celebration," but historical research and Catholic teaching show that this belief is not supported by evidence. The term Halloween comes from All Hallows' Eve, the vigil of All Saints' Day on November 1, a solemnity established by the Church to honour all saints in heaven. Together with All Souls' Day on November 2, these observances form All Hallowtide, a period in which Catholics pray for the faithful departed and reflect on the communion of saints. While Halloween occurs near the old Celtic seasonal marker called Samhain, historians note that there is no reliable evidence that Samhain was a religious festival of the dead or that the Church adopted pagan rituals. Many familiar customs, such as going door-to-door for treats, developed from medieval Christian practices like "souling," where people offered prayers for the deceased in exchange for small cakes. The Church affirms that Catholic families may celebrate Halloween in a wholesome and faith-aligned way. Enjoying costumes, community events, and trick-or-treating is acceptable when approached with moderation and Christian values. Guidance from Catholic educators and clergy encourages families to avoid costumes or themes that glorify violence, evil, or the occult. Positive, creative, or saint-themed costumes are encouraged, especially for children. All Nativity parents can feel confident that celebrating Halloween does not compromise their faith. When kept rooted in joy, charity, and respect for Christian teaching, this date becomes an opportunity to strengthen community life and to remind children of the hope we share in Christ, all the saints, and souls who have gone before us. We cannot wait to see all Nativity children in their costumes this year, and happy trick or treating everyone!



HOLY PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

Our Pumpkin Carving Contest is still going! Submit a picture of the participant holding the pumpkin by October 31st and show us your creations! The pictures will be exhibited to all parishioners to see until the end of the contest and there are two 25$ gift cards up for grabs.The winners will be Announced on Sunday November 1st at the 11.30am Mass and also in the Church Bulletin along with a picture of the winning creations! Please remember to keep your creations positive, holy or faith centered!Hurry up, get a pumpkin and start carving! Pictures can be dropped off at the Church Office during office hours, left in the Church Office mail-box or handed directly to Fr Jan after the Masses. Good luck everyone! Pictures can also be emailed at nativity@myparish.org

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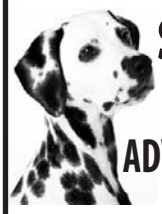
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