

## **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**1 Kings 19:16, 19:21 Elisha answered the call to follow Elijah.**

**Galatians 5:1, 13:18 We are called for freedom.**

**Luke 9:51-62 Follow Jesus and do not look back.**

**Today's readings speak of discipleship. When a person accepts the call to discipleship, change occurs in that person's life. In Elisha in the first reading and the three persons invited to follow Jesus (in today's Gospel reading), there is a remarkable change in life as soon as they agreed to be disciples. These changes are necessary to enable a disciple to focus on the goal of proclaiming the reign of God.**

**The call to discipleship is a call directed to all Christians by virtue of our Baptism. In Baptism, we are bound to proclaim God's presence in our lives. In the Eucharist, we are reminded of this vocation and receive the Bread of Life which strengthens us to be the hands, the feet, the eyes and the mouth of God – the essence of Christian discipleship.**

### ***Ushers .... Looking for a ministry?***

In this ministry, Ushers serve the Liturgy by helping to establish the climate of welcome, helpfulness and order among those gathered so that the Liturgy and Sacred Rites can be celebrated with ease and grace. They help seat late arrivals and physically challenged persons. They collect offerings and arrange the Offertory Procession. They also assist in the movement of the assembly such as during Holy Communion, and they hand out materials as the faithful leave the church.

We need new volunteers to assist and perpetuate the warmth and welcome of our parish to all who come and worship at Nativity of Our Lord. The assignments are handed out according to the time that you come to celebrate Mass. Are you available? If you are interested, please call the Parish Office at 416 621 2732.

### ***From the Pastor's Desk***

Dear Friends,

With the parish picnic this Sunday, we are coming to the conclusion of another successful year in the life of our parish. I would like to thank all of you for your support and cooperation. During the summer months, I am sure all of you will have more leisurely time with your family and friends. I wish all of you a great summer!

With regards to our renovation work, we are planning to renovate the kitchen in the rectory during the summer months. This is the only section of the rectory that has not been renovated at all. As most of you know, the building is about 46 years old. We have been planning and discussing this project for some time. Finally, with the approval of the Archdiocese and the Finance Committee, we have finalized the plans. We are hoping to complete it by the end of summer. In addition to the Finance Committee, Peter Matthews, Mary Capobianco and Theresa Smith worked as a sub-committee to finalize the plans. A special thanks to them!

There is not much demand for use of the hall during the summer months. While the rectory kitchen is under construction, we will be using the hall kitchen as rectory kitchen. Because of this, there will be some restrictions in the use of the hall and hall kitchen.

The Year of the Priests is now concluded. On behalf of Fr. Sean and Fr. Basil, I thank all of you for your prayers for us. I ask that you continue to pray for us even if the Year of the Priests has ended.

*Once again, I wish all of you and your families God's blessings and a great summer!*

Sincerely,

FR. THOMAS

### **Seniors Social Club**

Date: September 10, 2010

Time: 10:15 am

Activity: Movie/Bingo or A Talk  
Light Lunch

*Both men and women are welcome!*

### **Children's Liturgy**

The Children's Liturgy will take a break for the summer months. It will resume in September. See you then!

### **Catholic Women's League**

July 11 – CWL Mass 9:30 am

August 8 – CWL Mass 9:30 am

Sept 12 – CWL Mass 9:30 am Celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary of Nativity Council Details to follow

### **Rosary Sunday...September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

The Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus are pleased to announce that a coach has been booked for a trip to the **Martyrs' Shrine in Midland for "Rosary Sunday"** on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Look for details on the Church notice boards. As this is the last Church Bulletin until September, your response is requested as soon as possible to reserve your seat on the coach. Tickets at \$20.00 per person are available from:

Edmund Athaide	905-624-4751
Mary Capobianco	416-626-1898

### **Faith Enrichment Programme**

The Consolata Missionaries' Faith Enrichment Program is pleased to offer a

*Bible Study for Adults and Young People over 16*

*On "The Theology of St. Paul",*

*presented by Fr. Michael Brizio, IMC.*

*Tuesdays, July 6 to August 10 at 7:30 pm,*

*at Consolata Missionaries, 2161 Islington Avenue,*

*Etobicoke, ON, M9V 2X6,*

*Telephone Number 416 749 8907.*

### **Youth Ministry...call Youth Office 416 626 5282**

*Ultimate Frisbee* - Thursday evenings, Wellesworth Park *Meeting* time 6:45 at the Church. This will be a weekly youth event throughout the summer days. These are opportunities to meet new friends, get fit and prepare for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lifeteen Frisbee Tournament on August 15<sup>th</sup> 2010. Come out and have fun.

The EDGE Program

For students in Grades 7 & 8

Fridays from 7:00pm- 9:00pm



The LifeTeen Program

For high school students

Sundays, after the 11:30am Youth Mass,

From 1:00pm- 3:00pm



### **Religious Education Programmes**

Nativity of Our Lord Parish offers the following religious education programmes beginning September 2010:

#### **First Communion Programme**

Sacramental preparation for First Communion is held for children in our parish who are enrolled in Grade 2.

#### **Confirmation Programme**

Sacramental preparation for Confirmation will be held for children enrolled in Grade 8.

#### **Public School Religious Education Programme**

Parents whose children are enrolled in the public schools are invited to register their children in this programme.

#### **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

RCIA is the process in the Catholic Church for those seeking: *Baptism, Reception into the Catholic Church, Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation*. It is also a process available to practicing Catholics who seek a deeper understanding of their faith.

#### **RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children)**

RCIC is a process for students up to 16 years of age who desire to receive the sacrament of Baptism or who would like to be received into the Catholic Church.

For details, please call the Parish Office 416 621 2732.