

Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus

Catholic Churches



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Mass Times

Our Lady of the Pines, Nevis

Tuesdays: 12 Noon
 Wednesdays-Fridays 9:00 AM
 Saturdays: 5:00 PM
 Sundays: 10:30 AM

St. Theodore's Church, Laporte

Sundays 8:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration at OLP

Fridays: 9:30-10:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:15-4:45 PM at OLP
 Sundays 8:00 AM at St. Theodore's

December 09, 2018

2nd Sunday of Advent

Advent Reconciliation

On the Second Sunday of Advent, we hear John the Baptist calling us to "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near". John's message cuts into our hearts. It invites us to change our minds and hearts.

Repentance involves turning around – facing in a new direction - with a change of heart and a new commitment. The repentant person comes before God saying, "I can't do it myself, God. I need your assistance. You buried me in Baptism. Bury me again today. Raise me to a new life".

Repentance for us is not a one-time action but must take place as often as possible. It is a good time for turning to God and recognize our need for Him. Let us prepare our hearts and let Him come into our lives, by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Here are some of the opportunities for celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the season of Advent in our parishes.

Advent Reconciliation for Faith Formation Students

- ❖ **Wed. 11/28/18:** For OLP Release Time Students Grade 5
- ❖ **Wed. 12/05/18:** For OLP Release Time Students Grade 3, 4 & 6
- ❖ **Wed. 12/12/18:** For STC Release Time Students Grade 3 - 6
- ❖ **Wed. 12/12/18:** For OLP Confirmation Students at 6:30 PM

Individual Reconciliation at Nevis & Laporte

- ❖ **Tuesday, 12/18/18** after the Noon Mass at 12:30 PM, OLP, Nevis
- ❖ **And Every Weekend**, half an hour before the Mass at OLP and STC

New Parishioners

Welcome to Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis and St. Theodore Church, Laporte, MN. We are happy to have you worshipping with us! If you consider becoming a member of either of our parishes, please stop by the Parish Office or call us at 218-652-4005 to send you a registration form.

Information on Reception of Sacraments

Baptism: We are delighted to welcome you or your children into our faith community. Please call the Pastor at 218-652-4022 for Baptism preparation and for scheduling a date of your child's Baptism.

Marriage: Congratulations! We are happy to assist you in preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Do call the Pastor at 218-652-4022 as early as 6 months in advance.

Pastoral Visitation: We want to be a part of your life. If you desire a home visit with Holy Communion for the sick and homebound or would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick, or just a pastoral visit, please call the Pastor at 218-652-4022.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

<p>Saturday, 12/08</p> <p>2nd Collection for: Retired Religious</p>	<p>7:00 AM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p>Haiti Mission Committee Fundraiser at Nevis: Lefse Sale Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP, Nevis: Birthday Remembrance of + Kurt Blumberg by Gene & Joan Blumberg</p>
<p>Sunday, 12/09</p> <p>2nd Sunday of Advent</p> <p>2nd Collection for: Retired Religious CLOW</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Jerry Amundson by Colleen Curran RCIA Program at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes CLOW Leaders: Karie Lindow & Addison Lindow Christmas Centerpiece Sale by Haiti Mission Committee, following the Mass</p>
<p>Monday, 12/10</p> <p>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>11:00 AM</p>	<p>Funeral Mass for + Brenda Nulliner at Our Lady of the Pines, Nevis</p>
<p>Tuesday, 12/11</p>	<p>10:15 AM</p>	<p>NO Mass at OLP, Nevis due to Priest Council Meeting Money Counters: Connie Walz, Sue Joerger & Mary Schiebe</p>
<p>Wednesday, 12/12</p>	<p>9:00 AM 12 Noon 12 Noon 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP, Nevis: For + Louie Kulas by Mary Kempf Release Time Students Faith Formation Class at STC, Laporte Advent Reconciliation for Grade 3 - 6 at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Release Time Students Faith Formation Class at OLP, Nevis Advent Reconciliation for Confirmation Students at OLP, Nevis</p>
<p>Thursday, 12/13</p>	<p>9:00 AM 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP, Nevis: For the Intentions of Lee Johnson by Walter & Renee Johnson OLP Christmas Choir Practice in Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</p>
<p>Friday, 12/14</p> <p>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP, Nevis: Birthday Remembrance of + James Geisen by Jill and Jesse Clack Eucharistic Adoration</p>
<p>Saturday, 12/15</p>	<p>4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP, Nevis: For +John Mondry by Bob & Donna Lindow Birthday and Anniversary Celebrations at OLP, following the Mass</p>
<p>Sunday, 12/16</p> <p>3rd Sunday of Advent</p> <p>CLOW</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Ray Copa by Karen Copa RCIA Program at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes CLOW Leaders: Jen McNamee & Luke McNamee Birthday and Anniversary Celebrations at OLP, following the Mass Pie Sale Fundraiser by OLP Faith Formation Fundraiser Committee, Nevis</p>
<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<p>December 18 December 19 December 19 December 19 December 20 December 20 December 23 December 24 December 24 December 25 December 25 December 26</p>	<p>KC General Meeting at 7:00 PM Release Time Students Faith Formation Class at OLP, Nevis at 12 Noon Faith Formation Classes for Confirmation Students in OLP at 6:30 PM Advent Reconciliation at St. Peter's Church, Park Rapids at 7:00 PM Deanery Priests Meeting in St. Philip's Church, Bemidji at 12 Noon Christmas Choir Practice in Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 6:30 PM Christmas Church Decorations done soon after the Mass Lessons and Carols at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 4:30 PM Christmas Eve Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 5:00 PM Christmas Day Mass at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 8:30 AM Christmas Day Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 10:30 AM Christmas Break: NO Faith Formation Classes</p>

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, December 15, 2018	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantors	Jeanette Goehring
Lectors	Jesse Clack, Loren Kramer & Dustin Wroolie
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Ed Dvorak & Don Dierkhising
Greeters	Sue Joerger & Dee Dvorak
Eucharistic Ministers	Theora Goodrich (C), Bob Lindow & Pat Dietenberger

Sunday: December 16, 2018	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Jeanne Thompson, Anna Hudson & Mary Schiebe
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Stephen Lindow, Ed DeLaHunt, Bob DeCrans & Jason Funk
Greeters	Cheryl Van Guilder & Carol Lindow
Eucharistic Ministers	John Lindow (C), Carol Lindow, Doug Scraper, Kevin Lindow & Sheldon Schiebe

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday: December 16, 2018	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Sandy Roerick, Charlotte Rauch & Kevin Warne
Altar Servers	Calli Watson, Blake Watson & Lily Richardson
Ushers	Darin Katzenmeyer & Gary Roerick
Greeters	Lisa Katzenmeyer & Irene Fehn
Eucharistic Ministers	Dee Warne (C), Ruth Grandy & Charlotte Rauch

Reminder for Liturgical Ministers

If you are not able to serve when you are scheduled, please email the Parish Office at parishofficenevis@gmail.com.

Stewardship Report For the Week of 12/02/2018	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$2852.00	\$554.00
Lapore Food Shelf Collection	--	\$239.00
Christmas Flower Envelopes	\$230.00	\$10.00
St. Mary's Red Lake Mission	\$50.00	--
Candle Envelopes	\$13.00	--
Building Maintenance Envelopes	\$75.00	

Lefse Sale at OLP

The Haiti Mission Committee is making lefse for you! Stop by from 10:00-12:30 AM in the OLP dining room on **Saturday, December 8th**. It will also be available after masses that weekend, if supplies last. All proceeds will help fund school lunches for the students in Baudin, Haiti. ~ Julie Pidde

Meals on Wheels Fundraiser Dinner

Taste of Christmas, will be held on **Saturday, December 15th, 2018**, at the American Legion in Park Rapids. The Bake Sale will start at 4 p.m. Dinner with Swedish Meatballs, Ham, Cabbage, Scalloped Potatoes, etc. will be served from 4:30 until 6:30 p.m. Please join us for this fundraiser that benefits the elderly when meals are brought to them in their homes, or served to them at the dining sights in (Hubbard County) Park Rapids, Nevis, Akeley, and Lake George. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 218-732-5533. ~ Rose Williams

CHI St. Joseph's Health Fundraiser

The 2018 Sweets, Treats & Treasures will be held on **Saturday, December 8th, from 9.00 AM – 1.00 PM** at Calvary Lutheran Church in Park Rapids. This event features 10,000 holiday cookies and treats (lefsa, krumkaka, rosettes) and a gift boutique. Sponsored by the hospital auxiliary, all event proceeds will benefit patient comfort and care at CHI St. Joseph's Health. See you there! ~ Betsy Meyer

Christian Movie Nite at St. John's Akeley

St. John's Lutheran Church, Akeley is screening the movie, "The Star" on **Friday, December 21**. It will be shown at 2:00 PM and at 7:00 PM. It's a free movie with free popcorn, pop and water. Come and enjoy the movie. ~ Joanne Mueller

OLP Monthly Assignments: December 2018

Hospitality Ministers	Sue Joerger (C) The Families of: Angie Lindow, Jody Karl, Judy Karl Duclos, Donna Lindow, Karrin Lindow & Marsha Karam
Altar Linen	Anna Hudson

Prayer Requests

Curt Honer, Rick Moen, Terry Moen, Fred Tomas, Michael Jay, Peg Koktavy, Willy Patterson, Jim McAllister, Rudy Walz, Bob Gatz, Joan Blumberg, Robin Lundsten, Dawn McCarty, Ralph Puestow, Carol Anderson, Marie Hassler, Jack and Kathy Roberts, Shawn Karl, Dennis Schafer, Barbara Dietenberger, Dorothy Goeden, Priscilla Dietenberger & Harold Dietenberger.

USCCB Pastoral Letter on Racism

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops released a Pastoral Letter on Racism approved during the fall general meeting at Baltimore. The letter, titled "Open wide our hearts: the enduring call to love – a pastoral letter against racism," passed by a vote of 243 to 3, with one abstention, during the bishops' assembly. The letter intends to combat the scourge of racism in the hearts and minds of the faithful.

Bishop Shelton J. Fabre of Houma-Thibodaux, Louisiana, KPC National Chaplain and chairman of the U.S. bishops' Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism, was instrumental in the overwhelming support for the letter by his fellow bishops. Bishop Fabre said the letter encourages "honest self-reflection" by individuals and the Church and addresses racism "in a broad sense" as it affects various races and ethnicities, including Native Americans, African Americans, Hispanics, and immigrant groups.

OLP Faith Formation Pie Sale Fundraiser

Why you ask? To help raise funds for students to attend the Steubenville Youth Conference in St. Paul this summer.

What can you do to help? Please consider making a pie or two to donate to this sale.

When will it take place? During fellowship after *Sunday, December 16th* mass.

Donations can be dropped off in the kitchen of the church Friday, December 14, before or after 9.00 AM Mass, Saturday, December 15 before or after mass, and Sunday, December 16 before mass. We are grateful for your support of our youth's faith journey!

~ Faith Formation Fundraising Committee

2019 Church Calendars

The 2018 Church Calendars have arrived and are available on the tables in the Gathering Space.

Christmas Flower Memorials

If you wish to make a memorial for a deceased loved one or honor a living person during the season of Christmas, you may use the Christmas Flower Envelope in your offering box or use this Bulletin cut-out box. Your contributions will be used for flowers and decorations during Christmas and all memorials will be published in our parish bulletin.

Your Name: _____

In Memory of : + _____

or

In Honor of: _____

Amount: _____ Thank You.

Catholics at the Capitol 2019

Are you tired of divisive angry politics? As Minnesota Catholics we can begin to transform politics in our state. You are invited to join your fellow parishioners and thousands more Catholics from across the state for a day of prayer and advocacy in St. Paul that will inspire you and teach you how to put your faith into action! On Tuesday, February 19th, 2019 we're coming together for life and dignity. Visit www.CatholicsAtTheCapitol.org for details and to register! Space is limited so don't delay. Transportation options are available.

The day begins with Mass celebrated by all seven of Minnesota's Bishops, followed by inspirational music from Danielle Rose, and talks from Archbishop Charles Chaput of Philadelphia, Gloria Purvis of EWTN, and a soon-to-be unveiled V.I.P. speaker.

This prayer-filled day of inspiration will also teach you about important political issues and how to be an effective advocate for life and human dignity. In the afternoon you and your neighbors will meet with your local legislators to talk about the issues that impact life and dignity, and you'll have opportunities to pray the rosary with thousands of Catholics in the Capitol Rotunda.

Sympathy

Our Lady of the Pines Parish community extends its sympathy and prayerful support to Craig Nulliner and his family at the death of his wife + Brenda Nulliner. + Brenda's funeral services will be at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis on **Monday, December 10th at 11:00 AM.** May she rest in Peace!

Update on St. Lawrence Cemetery, Guthrie

The members of St. Theodore's Cemetery Committee wish to share an update on improvements underway at St. Lawrence's Catholic Cemetery in Guthrie. Recently a new sign was installed at the cemetery, reflecting the original name of the cemetery as 'St. Lawrence's Catholic Cemetery', Guthrie. A phone number was also added to the sign to make inquiries easier. Special thanks go to John Duff for his generous gift of time designing and building the new sign and to Roger Rudbeck and Kevin Warne for helping him to install the sign.

In addition, work on a new fence has begun at the cemetery. The current fence frames only a small used portion of the cemetery land. With the conclusion of a new land survey done last spring the new fence will enclose the entire acreage. Work completed includes the removal of brush and trees to make room for the new fence. The corner posts have also been installed. Next spring the work will continue with the goal of completing the fence by Memorial Day weekend. We wish to express a sincere thanks to all who have generously contributed to the cemetery fund making these improvements possible.

~ Kevin Warne