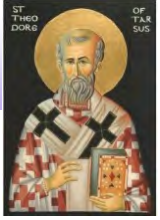


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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Parish Office Hours	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Parish Secretary	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Faith Formation Coordinator	--	12:00 - 8:00 PM	--

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December 16, 2018

3rd Sunday of Advent

Come Home for Christmas

During these days before Christmas, people are planning to travel home for the holidays. Sometimes the most important trip we can take is the one inside our heart... A return to CHURCH – we once called HOME, or to the people we once called FAMILY and FRIENDS.

This Christmas Season, you can take that trip. You don't need a ticket or a reservation – just a willing and sometimes forgiving heart. You just need to open your heart to the open arms and COME HOME for Christmas! Here are the Christmas and New Year Program in our Parishes:

Christmas Eve

Monday, December 24, 2018

Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

4:30 PM: Lessons and Carols

5:00 PM: Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25, 2018

St. Theodore's Church, Laporte

8:00 AM: Lessons and Carols

8:30 AM: Christmas Day Mass

Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

10:30 AM: Christmas Day Mass

New Year Day

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

Holy Day of Obligation: Feast of Mary, Mother of God

St. Theodore's Church, Laporte

8:30 AM: Holy Day of Obligation New Year Mass

Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

5:00 PM: Holy Day of Obligation New Year Mass

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

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

Saturday, 12/15	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	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
Sunday, 12/16 3rd Sunday of Advent CLOW	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Ray Copa by Karen Copa 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
Monday, 12/17 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED		Pastor's Day Off NO Mass
Tuesday, 12/18	12 Noon 10:15 AM 7:00 PM	Mass at OLP, Nevis: For + Jerry Amundson by Colleen Curran Money Counters: Donna Lindow, Loren Kramer & Greg Kalinoski KC General Meeting
Wednesday, 12/19	9:00 AM 12 Noon 6:30 PM	Mass at OLP, Nevis: For Good Health of Ralph Puestow by Pat Dietenberger Release Time Students Faith Formation Classes at OLP, Nevis Faith Formation Classes for Confirmation Students at OLP, Nevis
Thursday, 12/20	9:00 AM 6:30 PM	Mass at OLP, Nevis: For the Intentions of John and Jennifer Emmel family by Walter & Renee Johnson OLP Christmas Choir Practice in Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
Friday, 12/21 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM	Mass at OLP, Nevis: For +Lourie Kulas by Mary Kempf Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday, 12/22	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP, Nevis: For +Dennis Boll by Walter & Renee Johnson
Sunday, 12/23 4th Sunday of Advent CLOW	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Jo-Ann O' Connell by John & Jackie Duff Christmas Church Decorations begins soon after the Mass Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes CLOW Leaders: Lisa Kriens & Mallory Kowalke Christmas Church Decorations begins soon after the Mass
Upcoming Events	December 24 December 24 December 25 December 25 December 25 December 26 January 01 January 01 January 02 January 05 January 06 January 09 January 09 January 09 January 09 January 15 January 16 January 16	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 Lessons and Carols at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 8:00 AM 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 New Year Mass at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 8:30 AM New Year Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 5:00 PM Faith Formation Classes Resumes at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis OLP & STC Altar Servers Appreciation Day, organized by KC Council 2nd Collection at STC: For Laporte Food Shelf Parish Convocation Leaders Follow up Meeting in Nevis at 9:45 AM Faith Formation Classes for Laporte School Release Time Students at 12 Noon Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students at 12 Noon Faith Formation Classes for Confirmation Students in Nevis at 6:30 PM KC General Meeting at 7:00 PM Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students at 12 Noon Faith Formation Classes for Confirmation Students in Nevis at 6:30 PM

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, December 22, 2018	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantors	Jeanette Goehring
Lectors	Jesse Clack, Loren Kramer & Help Needed
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Frank Adrian & Dan Carlson
Greeters	Florence Kramer & Judy Karl-Declos
Eucharistic Ministers	Theora Goodrich (C), Rita Schuldt & Pat Dietenberger

Sunday: December 23, 2018	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	John Lindow, Carol Lindow & Anna Hudson
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Ed DeLaHunt, Jim Warner, Fritz Yamry & Bob DeCrans
Greeters	Sylvia McCarthy & Diane Yamry
Eucharistic Ministers	Kevin Lindow (C), Michael Van Guilder, Pat Hrubes, Mary Jo Masloski & Jeanne Thompson

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday: December 23, 2018	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Angie Jobe
Cantor	Sharon Lembke
Lectors	Carol Wellen , Bonnie Conrad & Joe Eisterhold
Altar Servers	Gabby Nelson, Annabelle Nelson & Abree Katzenmeyer
Ushers	Roger Rudbeck & John Duff
Greeters	Donna Minikus & Irene Fehn
Eucharistic Ministers	Kevin Warne (C), Dee Warne & Marcel Noyes

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 12/09/2018	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$4952.00	\$456.00
2nd Collection for:		
Retired Religious	\$766.65	\$168.00
Christmas Flower Envelopes	\$60.00	- -
Candle Envelopes	\$18.00	- -
Building Maintenance Envelopes	\$100.00	- -
Christmas Envelopes Mailed in	\$10.00	- -

OLP Faith Formation Pie Sale Fundraiser
Come and support our Pie Sale this Sunday held at Nevis soon after 10.30 AM Mass. Your generosity will assist the faith journey of our youth who intend to attend the Steubenville Youth Conference in St. Paul this summer.

Christmas and Year End Giving
Christmas and Year end giving is a Catholic tradition that recalls to mind the gifts of three magi to Jesus, the newborn king. During this season we have a spiritual opportunity to make a return to God of His many blessings. Please consider your parish and its ministry when you make a yearend giving and get a tax benefit.

St. Joseph's Hospice Care: Light Up A Life
During this holiday season, CHI St. Joseph's Health Hospice Care invites you to join them in a celebration of life and memories by giving a gift in honor or in memory of loved ones. Your gift to the 'Light up a Life' program will help bring individualized care to those in need of pain and symptom management, counseling and respite services. Envelopes are made available at the Gathering place for your use.

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.

Altar Server Appreciation Day

All Altar servers of Our Lady of the Pines and St Theodore Churches are invited for Altar Servers Appreciation Party organized by the Knight of Columbus Council of St. Mother Teresa, Nevis. We ask the parents of our Altar Servers to bring your children to Lori Lea Lanes in Park Rapids for a Bowling and Pizza party on **Saturday, January 5th** starting at 10:00 AM. The Knights of Columbus will pay for the cost of the Altar Server's Bowling and pizza. Parents are invited to join in the pizza party. Please call or text Dan DeCrans at 218-255-1125 so that your child can be listed for this Event.

Convocation of Parish Leaders Report

We thank all who prayed for the success of the Convocation of Parish Leaders held in Fargo on Nov. 30 – Dec. 1, 2018. Six parishioners participated from Nevis and Laporte and 175 represented our Diocese and 575 more came from the parishes throughout the Diocese of Fargo. The days were packed with prayer, presentations, discussion and sharing about Evangelization in our parishes, families and community. Please read the news released which was inserted in last week's bulletin and also published in Our Northland Diocese newspaper.

After our follow up meeting the first week of January, our parish representatives will share more with all our Parish Committees and Councils. The Mount Saint Benedict Foundation, Crookston and Sunday Visitors have made commitments to support evangelization programs we could initiate in our parishes. Together, let us "prepare the way of the Lord".

Christmas Choir Practice

Join the Christmas Choir practice at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis on **Thursday, December 20 at 6:30 PM**

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.

KC Advent Prayer Service

Everyone is welcome to join the Knights of Columbus Council members for an Advent Prayer service on **Tuesday December 18th**. Starting at 6:00 PM, we will be doing an advent prayer service called "Journey to the Inn". It is a prayer service based on the joyful mysteries of the Rosary. After the prayer service please join us for a pot luck supper in the Our Lady of the Pines Parish Hall, Nevis. The Knights of Columbus will be providing Baked ham. Please bring a dish to share with everyone. Thank you.

~ Dan DeCrans

Celebrate Christmas Reconciliation

At Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis on Tuesday, **December 18, 2018** at 12:30 PM or **Every Saturday, 4.00 PM to 4:45 PM**. At St. Theodore's Church, Laporte every **Sunday, at 8:00 AM**. Or Any time by Appointment.

OLP Christmas Eve Mass on KPRM FM 97.5

Be part of our Christmas celebrations by tuning to FM 97.5! Christmas Eve Mass at Our Lady of the Pines will be broadcast live from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM. We are grateful to our sponsors who make this ministry possible.

Finding Ways to Heal the Deepest Wounds

A Day of Healing for Survivors & Victims of Abuse is organized at The Oratory, 434 Charlotte Ave, Rock Hill, SC 29730 **on Saturday, January 5, 2019** from 8:30 AM To 5:00 PM. Begin a journey to healing and wholeness by attending this daylong workshop. Please register by January 2. Lunch and materials provided. For more information call the Office of Family Life at 803-547-5063.

Thank You

- ❖ The Special Events Team of Our Lady of the Pines Church is grateful for all the help in cooking and serving a tasty meal to 52 parishioners who were blessed by both the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and by the luncheon that followed on Tuesday, December 4th.
- ❖ Three times that number gathered to celebrate at Our Lady of the Pines Church the Mass of the Resurrection for + Brenda Nulliner this past week. Again our generous parishioners brought food and helped serve the meal that followed. God bless each and every one of you.
- ❖ The Haiti Committee owes a debt of gratitude to the support of the parish for our Christmas fundraisers. We thank those who helped us in creating as well as purchasing the Christmas Centerpieces and most recently the Lefse. A special thanks to Moms Lori and Dorothy for joining us & sharing their equipment, time, recipe, and donating the ingredients. The profit of approximately \$1500 will benefit the children in Baudin, Haiti.
~ Carol Lindow