

# 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

May 12, 2019

4th Sunday of Easter



## A Prayer in Gratitude for my Mother

Dear Lord,  
Today I turn to you to give you thanks for my mother.  
With your own gift of life, she bore me in her womb and gave me life.  
She tenderly, patiently cared for me and taught me to walk and talk.

She read to me and made me laugh.  
No one delighted in my successes more;  
No one could comfort me better in my failures.

I am so grateful for how she mothered me  
and mentored me, and even disciplined me.

Please bless her, Lord, and comfort her.  
Help her loving heart to continue to love and give of herself to others.  
Strengthen her when she is down and give her hope when she is discouraged.

Most of all, Lord, on this Mother's Day,  
give my mother the graces she most needs and desires today.  
I ask you this, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### Dear Visitors

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><b>Saturday, 05/11</b></p>	<p>4:15 - 4:45 PM  5:00 PM</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis  <b>Community Rosary at Our Lady of the Pines</b> led by: Loren Kramer  <b>Weekend Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b>          For + Lucy Carlson by Val and Brian Slettum          Haiti Mission Committee Flower Sale after the weekend Masses in Nevis</p>
<p><b>Sunday, 05/12</b>  4th Sunday of Easter   Mother's Day</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM  10:00 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte  <b>Weekend Mass at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</b>          For the Intentions of Dorothy Kulas by Mary Kempf  <b>Community Rosary at Our Lady of the Pines</b> led by: John Lindow  <b>Weekend Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b>          Thanksgiving for 60th Wedding Anniversary of Ed &amp; Sally Froelick by Family          Haiti Mission Committee Flower Sale after the weekend Masses in Nevis</p>
<p><b>Monday, 05/13</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>		<p><b>NO Mass</b> Pastor's Day Off</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, 05/14</b></p>	<p>12 Noon  10:30 AM 5:00 PM</p>	<p><b>Weekday Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b>          For + Scott Freeman by Connie Gueli and Family           Money Counters: Kathy Nagel, Arlene Biessener &amp; Greg Kalinoski          Parish Staff Meeting</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, 05/15</b></p>	<p>9:00 AM  6:30 PM 7:00 PM</p>	<p><b>Weekday Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b>          Birthday Blessings on Joe Kulas by Mary Kempf           OLP Fundraising Committee Meeting in FF Class Room, Nevis          KC General Meeting</p>
<p><b>Thursday, 05/16</b></p>	<p>9:00 AM  6:30 PM</p>	<p><b>Weekday Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b>          For the Intentions of Lee Sander Johnson by Walter &amp; Renee Johnson           Session on "Being Missionary Disciples" at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</p>
<p><b>Friday, 05/17</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>9:00 AM  9:30 - 10:30 AM</p>	<p><b>Weekday Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b>          For + John Borman by John and Carol Lindow   <b>Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday, 05/18</b>    Second Collection: For Catholic Communications</p>	<p>8:30 AM 9:30 AM  4:15 - 4:45 PM  5:00 PM</p>	<p>Trial Donut making at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis          Spring Highway Cleanup at 8:30 AM, Nevis          St. Theodore's Church Council Meeting in Laporte at 9:30 AM   <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis  <b>Community Rosary at Our Lady of the Pines</b> led by: Peter Tuomisto  <b>Weekend Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b>          For + Angela McCluhan by Leah Pigatti and Family          Birthday and Anniversary Celebrations at OLP following the Mass</p>
<p><b>Sunday, 05/19</b>  5th Sunday of Easter   Second Collection: For Catholic Communications</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM  10:00 AM 10:30 AM  11:45 AM 6:30 PM</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte  <b>Weekend Mass at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</b>          For + George and Dolores Noyes by Marcel &amp; Diane Noyes  <b>Community Rosary at Our Lady of the Pines</b> led by: Sheldon Schiebe  <b>Weekend Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b>          For the Members of our Parishes           High School Seniors Appreciation at 10:30 AM Mass          Birthday and Anniversary Celebrations at OLP following the Mass           OLP Liturgy Committee Meeting          Baccalaureate Ecumenical Service at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</p>

<b>Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers</b> Saturday, May 18, 2019	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Connie Walz
Lectors	Theora Goodrich, Jeanne Thompson & Help Needed
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Ed Dvorak, Tom Walz, Don Dierkhising & Help Needed
Greeters	Dee Dvorak & Help Needed
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Joerger (C), Bob Lindow & Pat Dietenberger

<b>Stewardship Report</b> For the Week of 05/05/2019	<b>Our Lady of the Pines</b>	<b>St. Theodore's Church</b>
Sunday Collection	\$3697.00	\$535.00
Collection for Laporte Food shelf	- -	\$183.00
Cemetery Envelopes	- -	\$5.00
Candle Envelopes	\$8.00	- -
Easter Offering	\$115.00	- -
Campaign for Human Develop.	\$50.00	- -
Fuel Envelopes	\$45.00	

<b>2019 DAA Contribution</b> \$ as of April 12, 2019 % of Parish Participation	<b>\$8,101.00</b> (Goal: \$14,371.00 31.68 %	<b>\$1,648.50</b> (Goal: \$3,677.00) 38.78 %
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### Mother's Day Flower Sale

The Haiti Mission Committee will be selling flower baskets and planters in the gathering space after masses on May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. They make beautiful gifts for the special mothers in your life! Please consider purchasing one or more to help us in providing school lunches for the School children in Baudin, Haiti. Those who pre-ordered plants may also pick up their orders after those masses. Thank you for your generous support!  
~ Julie Pidde

<b>Sunday: May 19, 2019</b>	
Sacristans	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantors	Karie Lindow & Angie Lindow
Lectors	Jeanette Goehring, Mike DeWulf & Carol Lindow
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Jason Funk, Jim Warner, Bob DeCrans & Ed DeLaHunt
Greeters	Cheri Stallman & Help Needed
Eucharistic Ministers	Bob DeCrans (C), Thomas Pacholl, Mary Jo Masloski, Pat Hrubes & Mike Van Guilder

### Baby Bottle Campaign

Our parishes are partnering with "The Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center" from Mother's Day through Father's Day for their Annual Baby Bottle Fundraising Campaign. 100% of the funds raised during this campaign go toward stocking the Pregnancy Center Incentive Room with cribs, mattresses, strollers, diapers, and other necessary baby equipment. Bottles are made available at the Gathering Place for you to take home. Please return them on or before Fathers' Day.

### OLP Monthly Assignments: May 2019

Hospitality Ministers	<b>Julie Pidde (C) and the Families of:</b> Catherine Krause, Jen McNamee, Joan McGuire, Kathy Roberts, Pat Edwards & Peggy McAllister
Altar Linen	Carol Lindow

### Prayer Requests

Jodi Suram; Craig Theede; Jacquelyn Carter; Susan Krull; Nancy & Les Keller; Shirley & George Sizer; Shawn Morris; Tim, Kim, Marilyn & John Murphy; Ceva Monti; Dawn & Brianna Meyer; Joe & Tammy Murphy; Frank & Sue Determan; Britt & Mike Beaudorn; Steve, Debbie & La Dokata Plafcan; Terry Moen; Samantha Rich; Karen Mondry; Curt Honer; Michael Jay; Peg Koltavy; Rudy Walz; Bob Gatz; Joan Blumberg; Ralph Puestow; Marie Hassler; Jack and Kathy Roberts; Shawn Karl; Dennis Schafer; Barbara Dietenberger; Dorothy Goeden; Priscilla Dietenberger & Harold Dietenberger.

Please call the Parish Office at 652-4005 to keep a name on the Prayer List or to add someone new.  
Names will be removed after 4 weeks, unless a fresh request is made.

<b>St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers</b> Sunday: May 19, 2019	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musicians	Angie Jobe & Sharon Lembke
Cantor	Sharon Lembke
Lectors	Carol Wellen, Charlotte Rauch & Joe Eisterhold
Altar Servers	Gabby Nelson, Anna Katzenmeyer, & Abree Katzenmeyer
Ushers	Gary Roerick & Roger Rubeck
Greeters	Donna Minikus & Irene Fehn
Eucharistic Ministers	Bonnie Conrad (C), Mary Leyendecker & Marcel Noyes



## Remembering our Beloved Dead

Memorial Day weekend is an appropriate time to think of our beloved dead and all those who are buried in our parish cemeteries. Both of our parishes have 2 cemeteries each and the members of the Cemetery Committees are working hard to maintain our cemeteries throughout the year. This can be done only with your generous help. There is an envelope for Cemetery Maintenance in your Offertory Envelope box. We ask you to use those envelopes this month and support the upkeep of our Cemeteries.

From May to September, cemetery lot owners of our cemeteries may decorate the grave of their loved ones with temporary fixtures like flowers, statues or other decorative items. We ask you to remove all the decorations by **September 30<sup>th</sup>**. If for whatever reason a family is unable to remove them, the committee will remove the decorations at the end of October. The members of the Committee appreciates your cooperation and help in keeping our cemeteries sacred and beautiful.

## Sympathy

- ◆ Our Lady of the Pines Parish community extends its sympathy to Ruth Smith at the death of her husband + **Lester "Smitty" Smith**. +Lester passed away on May 4<sup>th</sup> at Clarissa Cook Hospice House, Bettendorf. His funeral service was held at St. Ambrose Church, Milan, IL. Ruth and +Lester were actively involved in our parish during their summer visit to Nevis. May +Lester rest in peace!
- ◆ We offer our prayerful support to Kendra Lorenz at the death of her husband +**Richard Lorenz**. Both of them are summer visitors from IL and the family intends to have a graveside service at Lakeside Catholic Cemetery, Nevis on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. May Richard rest in peace!

Join us reciting the Holy Rosary 20 minutes before the weekend Masses. We thank all the volunteers who have come forward to lead the Rosary.

## Faith Formation News

**High School Seniors' Appreciation Mass:** Our Parish will be honoring our graduating High School Seniors at the **10:30 Mass on Sunday, May 19**. Please come and wish them well on their future journeys.

**Baccalaureate Service:** This year, Our Lady of the Pines Church will be hosting the **Baccalaureate Service** for all the graduating Nevis High School Seniors on **Sunday, May 19, 2019 at 6:30 PM**. This is an Ecumenical service organized by all the local churches. The service is open to everyone. Please plan to come and rejoice with the graduating seniors as they take their next step in their lives.  
~ Mary Schiebe

## Sunday Reflection:

### The Shepherd and the Bummer Lamb

Every once in a while, a ewe will give birth to a lamb and reject it. There are many reasons she may do this. If the lamb is returned to the ewe, the mother may even kick the poor animal away. Once a ewe rejects one of her lambs, she will never change her mind. These little lambs will hang their heads so low that it looks like something is wrong with its neck. Their spirit is broken. These lambs are called "bummer lambs."

Unless the shepherd intervenes, that lamb will die, rejected and alone. So, do you know what the shepherd does? He takes that rejected little one into his home, hand-feeds it and keep it warm by the fire. He will wrap it up with blankets and hold it to his chest so the bummer can hear his heartbeat. Once the lamb is strong enough, the shepherd will place it back in the field with the rest of the flock.

But that sheep never forgets how the shepherd cared for him when his mother rejected him. When the shepherd calls for the flock, guess who runs to him first? That is right, the bummer sheep. He knows his voice intimately. It is not that the bummer lamb is loved more, it just knows intimately the one who loves it. It's not that it is loved more, it just believes it because it has experienced that love one on one.

So many of us are bummer lambs, rejected and broken. But He is the good Shepherd. He cares for our every need and holds us close to His heart so we can hear His heart beat. We may be broken but we are deeply loved by the Shepherd.

## Next Week's 2nd Collection for: Catholic Communications

Next week, our parish will take up the Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our Diocese and support local needs. Please be generous in next week's collection.

## Adopt-a-Highway Needs Your Help!



We're looking for volunteers to help with our 'Spring 2019 Highway Cleanup' project. If you can spare a few hours starting at 8:30 am on **Saturday May 18th**, we could use your help. Sign-up sheets are available following this weekend Masses. Coffee, juice, fruit, and donuts will be available at the church before we head out for the cleanup. If you have any questions, please contact Don Hudson (218-252-8408) or stop by the sign-up table. We look forward to seeing you there.  
~ Don Hudson