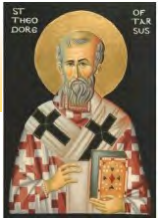


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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January 13, 2019

Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ



The Greatness of Baptism

The baptism of Jesus reminds us of our own baptism. The ceremony of baptism is a beautiful one. In it, we were formally given a name and welcomed into the family of God's people. Lovely prayers were said over us. Our body was signed with the sign of the cross. Water was poured over us as the sign of cleansing us from sin. And we are given a share in the undying life of God.

From a spiritual point of view, baptism is the greatest thing that can happen to us. To be baptized is to be "Christened", that is, to be made like Christ. But this doesn't happen automatically as a result of being baptized. One has to learn what it means to be a Christian, and to grow into it. This is the task of a lifetime.

There are many vocations in the Church. But the most important vocation of all is common to all the baptized. It is the vocation we received at baptism - the vocation to be disciples of Jesus. This is the core vocation.

We celebrate birthdays lavishly. So we should celebrate our baptismal day, because this was the day we were born as children of God. Every time we enter a church and sign ourselves with holy water we are reminding ourselves of our baptism and committing ourselves to live up to it.

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

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

Saturday, 01/12	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP, Nevis: Birthday Blessings on Tim Kulas by Mary Kempf
Sunday, 01/13 The Baptism of the Lord CLOW	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: Birthday Blessings on Clare Kulas by Mary Kempf Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes CLOW Leaders: Ronda DeWulf & Jon Rice Hospitality following the Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
Monday, 01/14 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	9:00 AM	NO Mass Pastor's Day Off Striping and waxing Dinning Hall floor at OLP by KC Volunteers
Tuesday, 01/15	12 Noon 10:30 AM 7:00 PM	Mass at OLP, Nevis: Birthday Remembrance of + Chuck Stephens by Monica Stephens Money Counters: Donna Lindow, Arlene Biessener, Greg Kalinoski KC General Meeting
Wednesday, 01/16	9:00 AM 12:00 - 3:00 PM 6:30 PM	Mass at OLP, Nevis: Death Anniversary Remembrance of + Angela McCluhan by Leah Pigatti and Family Faith Formation Classes at OLP for Nevis School Release Time Students Faith Formation Classes at OLP for Confirmation Students
Thursday, 01/17	9:00 AM 7:00 PM	Mass at OLP, Nevis: Death Anniversary Remembrance of +Clara Kulas by Mary Kempf Haiti Mission Committee Meeting
Friday, 01/18 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM	Mass at OLP, Nevis: For the Intentions of Isaac Johnson by Walter & Renee Johnson Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday, 01/19 2nd Collection For: Church in Africa	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP, Nevis: Birthday Remembrance of +Ceil Koluch by Jeanne Woods Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations at OLP following the Masses
Sunday, 01/20 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 2nd Collection For: Church in Africa CLOW	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For the Members of our Parishes Mass at OLP: Death Anniversary Remembrance of +HM3 Scott Michael Beimdiek Bill & Jan Beimdiek CLOW Leaders: Jen McNamee & Luke McNamee Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations at OLP following the Masses
Upcoming Events	January 22 January 23 January 23 January 23 January 24 January 26 January 30 January 30 January 31 February 03 Feb 05 - Mar 05 February 09 - 10 February 10 February 13 February 13	Parish Staff Meeting at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 4:30 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 First Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 6:30 PM OLP Finance Council Meeting at 10:00 AM in the Community Meeting Room Workshop on "The Art of Forming the Disciples" in Fosston at 10:00 AM Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students at 12 Noon Faith Formation Classes for Confirmation Students in Nevis at 6:30 PM Diocesan Annual Appeal 2019 Kick off Program in Crookston STC 2nd Collection for Laporte Food Shelf, Laporte NO Weekday Masses at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mission Appeal for "Food for the Poor" by Fr. Jim S. Garcia Valentine's Day Fundraiser Dinner by Haiti Mission Committee 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, January 19, 2019	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Rita Schuldt
Lectors	Jeanne Thompson (R1), Jeanne Thompson (R2) & Connie Walz
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Tom Walz & Don Dierkhising
Greeters	Sue Joerger & Donna Lindow
Eucharistic Ministers	Theora Goodrich (C), Bob Lindow & Pat Dietenberger

Sunday: January 20, 2019	
Sacristan	Mary DeCrans & Bob DeCrans
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Connie Walz
Lectors	Carol Lindow, John Lindow & Mike DeWulf
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Jason Funk, Mike Van Guilder, Ed DeLaHunt & Fritz Yamry
Greeters	Diane Yamry & Fritz Yamry
Eucharistic Ministers	Ronda DeWulf (C), Kevin Lindow, Mary DeCrans, Pat Hrubes & Michael Van Guilder

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday: January 20, 2019	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Sharon Lembke
Cantor	Sharon Lembke
Lectors	Charlotte Rauch, Kevin Warne & Sandy Roerick
Altar Servers	Calli Watson, Blake Watson & Lily Richardson
Ushers	Darin Katzenmeyer & Gary Roerick
Greeters	Lisa Katzenmeyer & Irene Fehn
Eucharistic Ministers	Bonnie Conrad (C), Mary Leyendecker & Joe Eisterhold

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 01/06/2019	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$2106.75	\$413.00
STC 2nd Collection for: Laporte Food Shelf	--	\$217.00
Candle Envelopes	\$18.00	--
Rectory Project Contribution	\$20.00	--
New Year Collection Envelope	\$60.00	

Second Collection Next week: Church in Africa

Next weekend, we will take a second collection in support of the "Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa". Your generosity will provide African Churches grants to finance pastoral projects including outreach programs, schools, evangelization and education of clergy and lay ministers. Please be generous and continue to pray for our African sisters and brothers.

CHI St. Joseph's Auxiliary Chicken Dinner

CHI St. Joseph's Health Auxiliary is hosting their annual chicken dinner on **Friday, January 18th from 4:30 - 7:00 PM** at the Park Rapids American Legion. The menu includes: Secret recipe baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, coleslaw, cranberries, beverage and homemade cupcakes. Adults: \$10 and children ages 4 through 10: \$5. All proceeds are used to support CHI St. Joseph's Health care ministry. ~ Betsy Meyer

STC Guild Meeting

There will be a meeting of STC Guild on **Wednesday, January 16th at 7:00 PM** in the Church hall. Please plan to attend so we can schedule our events for the year. Also there will be a re-organizing of the Guild. It is important that you are there to lend your opinion and show your support. Let your voice be heard! See you there!
~ Bonnie Conrad

Automatic Giving

In collaboration with the Citizen Bank, Park Rapids, our parish has now the facility for Automatic Giving or Giving electronically. If you would like to use this facility to send your Sunday offering, there are signup forms available at the Gathering place of our Church or contact the parish office.

OLP Monthly Assignments: January 2019

Hospitality Ministers	Carol Lindow (C) and the Families of: Candy Clausen, Carol Fridgen, Gina Rypkema, Helen Warner, Mary Hebzynski & Sarah Lindow
Altar Linen	Carol Lindow

Prayer Requests

Samantha Rich, Larry Belsky, Judy Karl - Duclos, Joan McGuire, Karen Mondry, Connie Walz, Curt Honer, Fred Tomas, Michael Jay, Peg Koktavy, Willy Patterson, Rudy Walz, Bob Gatz, Joan Blumberg, Robin Lundsten, Dawn McCarty, Ralph Puestow, Marie Hassler, Jack and Kathy Roberts, Shawn Karl, Dennis Schafer, Barbara Dietenberger, Dorothy Goeden, Priscilla Dietenberger & Harold Dietenberger.

Life Principles

The following Life Principles express the ideals motivating prolife Americans and indicate the purpose of the March for Life and urge the adoption of a Mandatory HUMAN LIFE AMENDMENT to the Constitution of the United States of America.

- ❖ That all human beings are created equal and are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, among which is the right to life,
- ❖ And therefore the right to life of each human being shall be preserved and protected by every human being in the society and by the society as a whole,
- ❖ The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected from that human being's biological beginning when the Father's sperm fertilizes the Mother's ovum,
- ❖ The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected from the biological beginning throughout the natural continuum of that human being's life by all available ordinary means and reasonable efforts,
- ❖ The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected at each stage of the life continuum to the same extent as at each and every other stage regardless of state of health or condition of dependency,
- ❖ The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected to the same extent as the life of each and every other human being regardless of state of health or condition of dependency,
- ❖ When there is any doubt that there exists a human being's life to preserve and protect, such doubt shall be resolved in favor of the existence of a human being,
- ❖ When two or more human beings are in a situation in which their lives are mutually endangered, all available ordinary means and reasonable efforts shall be used to preserve and protect the life of each and every human being so endangered.

Prayer for Life

Father and maker of all,

You adorn all creation with splendor and beauty,
And fashion human lives in your image and likeness.

Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands
And renew among your people a readiness to
Nurture and sustain your precious gift of life. Amen.

Join the March for Life

Join us at Beltrami County Courthouse, Bemidji on **Saturday, January 20th at 12 Noon** on the 46th Anniversary of 1973 Roe V. Wade decision of legalizing abortion. Bring the whole family and bring your signs. Soup and Sandwiches will be served following at St. Philips Social Hall, Bemidji. ~ Lisa Beyer

Begin Where You Are

"God meets you where you are" said my first spiritual director when I was a Jesuit novice. That's one of the best pieces of advice I've ever received. This means your spiritual house doesn't have to be perfect, or even tidy, for God to enter. Now that doesn't mean that we don't try to lead good lives, but you don't have to be a saint to pray. God can meet you in whatever "place" or "state" you find yourself.

It also means that you don't have to be perfectly focused to pray. In my experience as a spiritual director, this is one of the greatest obstacles to prayer. People will often tell me they are too distracted, sad, confused or overworked to pray. In response, I will pose a question: "If we were at a restaurant at dinner, and I apologized to you for being distracted, what would you say?"

Usually the person responds, "I'd say that I understood and was glad you're here". Then I'll suggest that if they, with all their faults, can be present to a friend who is distracted, then God could surely be with them even when they are distracted.

God can be present to you in any state that you find yourself. The subtle but insidious temptation not to pray until things are perfect just ends up preventing us from ever praying. When we realize that God meets us where we are, we also realize that wherever we are is a place to meet God.
~ Fr. James Martin SJ

KC News

The Knights of Columbus General meeting will be on **Tuesday January 15th** at St. Theodore in Laporte at 6:00 PM. We will do the January prayers and reading from "Family Fully Alive" booklet followed by a lite supper and meeting to start at 7:00 PM. All parishioners are invited for the prayer service and the supper. ~ Dan DeGrans

Dishes & Pans

There is a collection of dishes and cake pans to be claimed by the generous individuals who provided food for the past two funerals. Please look for yours in the kitchen. One contributor is missing a cake pan, in case someone took it home accidentally. Thank you. ~ Carol Lindow

Catholics at the Capital

On February 19th, the Diocese of Crookston will be participating in Catholics at the Capitol. The diocese has organized 2 busses for this event. Participants from our parishes will be picked up from Laporte / Nevis. If you are interested in attending this program, please register at www.catholicsatthecapitol.org You may e-mail Bob Noel at bnoel@crookston.org for more information or to answer your questions.