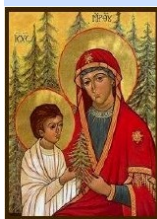


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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December 11, 2016

3rd Sunday of Advent

Experience God's Mercy in Reconciliation

Advent Penance Service

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 6:00 PM at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

Individual Reconciliation

Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 12:30 PM at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

Every Saturday, 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

Every Sunday, 8:00 AM – 8:20 AM at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte

Or Any time by Appointment.

Christmas and New Year's Programs in Our Parishes

Christmas Eve – Saturday, December 24, 2016

Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

4:30 PM Lessons and Carols

5:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Day – Sunday, December 25, 2016

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

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Saturday, December 31, 2016

Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

5:00 PM New Year's Eve Mass

Sunday, January 1, 2017

St. Theodore's Church, Laporte

8:30 AM New Year's Day 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

Thursdays: 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.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

<p>Saturday, 12/10</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: For +Sharon Smiens by Carol Anderson Projectionist: Anna Hudson Advent Wreath Lighters: Faith Formation Children Monthly Birthday & Anniversary Celebration after Mass</p>
<p>Sunday, 12/11 3rd Sunday of Advent</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOW</p> <p>2nd Collection: For Retired Religious</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For the Members of our Parishes Advent Wreath Lighters: Lembke and Cassanelli Families</p> <p>Mass at OLP: For +Helen Schmitz by Walter & Cindy Novak Projectionist: Anna Hudson Advent Wreath Lighters: Faith Formation Children CLOW Leader: Jen McNamee and Jack McNamee Monthly Birthday & Anniversary Celebration and Hospitality after Mass</p>
<p>Monday, 12/12 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>		<p>No Mass Pastor's Day Off</p>
<p>Tuesday, 12/13</p>	<p>10:30 AM Noon 1:00 PM</p>	<p>Money Counters: Terry Lenz, Catherine Lenz, Sue Joerger Mass of the Anointing of the Sick at OLP: For the Good Health of Mark Murray by Jerome & Arlene Biessener Lunch Served by OLP Guild</p>
<p>Wednesday, 12/14</p>	<p>9:00 AM Noon - 1:00 PM 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM Noon - 2:00 PM Noon - 3:00 PM 6:00 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For the intentions of Doreen Kennelly by Mary Kempf Mass and Christmas Program at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Confessions for STC Release time Students - Grades 3 - 6 Faith Formation Classes for Laporte School Release Time Students Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students Advent Penance Service at OLP Faith Formation students participate in the Penance Service</p>
<p>Thursday, 12/15</p>	<p>6:30 PM 7:00 PM</p>	<p>NO Mass and NO Adoration at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis OLP Choir Practice Haiti Committee Meeting</p>
<p>Friday, 12/16 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>9:00 AM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For +Ralph MacHolda by Sandy Frank</p>
<p>Saturday, 12/17</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: For +Kurt Blumberg by Gene & Joan Blumberg Projectionist: Jesse Clack Advent Wreath Lighters: Jesse & Jill Clack</p>
<p>Sunday, 12/18 4th Sunday of Advent</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOW</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:45 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For the Members of our Parishes Advent Wreath Lighters: Mueller Family Christmas decorating at STC</p> <p>Mass at OLP: For +Verena & Joseph Lorenz by Richard Lorenz Projectionist: Help Needed Advent Wreath Lighters: Mike & Ronda DeWulf Family CLOW Leader: Help Needed Hospitality after Mass OLP Guild Meeting</p>
<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<p>December 20 December 20 December 21 December 23</p>	<p>Advent Individual Confessions at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Knights of Columbus General Meeting at 7:00 PM NO Faith Formation Classes - Christmas Break Christmas decorating at OLP</p>

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, December 17, 2016	
Sacristan	Anna Hudson
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Jeanette Goehring
Lectors	Jesse Clack, Jill Clack & Dustin Wroolie
Altar Servers	Tommy Gust, Joey Senger & Johnny Senger
Ushers	Help Needed & Help Needed
Greeters	Loren Kramer, Florence Kramer, Mike Duclos & Judy Duclos
Eucharistic Ministers	Anna Hudson (C), Pat Dietenberger, Bob Lindow, Don Hudson & Help Needed

Sunday, December 18, 2016	
Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Ronda DeWulf, Mike DeWulf & Jan Lundberg
Altar Servers	Kiley Lindow, Brenna Lindow, Robert Lindow & Tyler Lindow (M)
Ushers	Jason Funk, Stephen Lindow, Jim Warner & Gino Hebzynski
Greeters	Carol Lindow & Deb Tangeman
Eucharistic Ministers	John Lindow (C), Carol Lindow, Holly Funk, Jeanne Thompson, & Help Needed

OLP Monthly Assignments: December 2016	
Hospitality Ministers	Sue Joerger, Marsha Karam, Angie Lindow, Jody Karl, Donna Lindow, Kate Schraeder, Mary DeCrans, Florence Kramer, Shirley Zurn, Karrin Lindow
Altar Linen	Judy Thompson

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, December 18, 2016	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Bonnie Conrad, Sharon Lembke & Colleen Curran
Altar Servers	Anna Katzenmeyer, Aubree Katzenmeyer & Abbey Richardson
Ushers	Darin Katzenmeyer & Joe Eisterhold
Greeters	Lisa Katzenmeyer & Karen Copa
Eucharistic Ministers	Joe Eisterhold (C), Charlotte Rauch & Carol Wellen

Stewardship Report For the Week of 12/4/2016	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Collection	\$2,968.50	\$451.00
Second Collections: Laporte Food Shelf Rectory Project	\$1,030.00	\$193.00
Candle Offering	\$8.00	- -
Haiti Envelopes	\$50.00	- -
Building Maintenance Envelopes	\$70.00	
Christmas Flowers Envelopes	\$180.00	\$62.00

Our Lady of the Pines Guild News

The OLP Guild will meet on **Sunday, December 18th**, soon after the Mass. We will discuss and plan events for the rest of December through April. It would be helpful to have as many as possible attending to bring new ideas for the Guild.
~ Nancy Greene

St. Theodore's Guild News

- St. Theodore's Guild would like to thank all those who helped organize the Bingo Fundraiser. Thanks also to the people who joined in the games. Our winners enjoyed wonderful meat packages from Laporte Grocery meat market. We look forward to seeing you again at our next Bingo in February.
- We will not have a STC Guild meeting in December. The next meeting will be **January 29, 2017**. ~ Sandy Roerick

Movie of the Month: "Christmas Candle"

St. John's Lutheran Church, Akeley is screening the movie, "Christmas Candle" on **Friday, December 16**. It will be shown at 2:00 PM and again at 7:00 PM. You are invited.
~ Joanne Mueller

Nevis Senior Center Christmas Dinner

You are invited to the Nevis Senior Citizens' Christmas dinner at **Noon on Wednesday, December 14th**. A ham dinner with all the trimmings will be served. Jim Sewell, a local musician, will entertain us with Christmas music at 1:00 PM. Call 652-2022 for reservations.
~ Florence Kramer

OLP Christmas Choir

Join the Christmas Choir practice at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis on **Thursday, December 15 at 6:30 PM**

Prayer Requests

Lydia Bjorklund, Jody Mockenhaupt, Carla Wheeler, Linda Wurm, Joan McGuire, Shirley Zurn, Helen Mockenhaupt, Mike Van Guilder, Lilly Langlois, Barbara Lockwood, Peg Koktavy, Dorthy Goeden, Barbara Dietenberger, Jan Pollack, Daryl Pollack, Paul Mockenhaupt, Priscilla Dietenberger, Rosie Davis, Bill Davis, Jean Dryness, Laverna Schulte, Ray Copa, Winslow Chery, Janet Payne, 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.

Eucharistic Adoration at OLP, Nevis

After discussions with Our Lady of the Pines Church Councils and Liturgy Committee, we intend to shift our weekly Eucharistic Adoration from Thursday to Friday. Adoration is traditionally done on Fridays in many of our parishes. It will also help the Pastor not to miss the weekly adoration as most of the Diocesan Priests' Meetings are scheduled on Thursdays.

Starting in **January 2017**, we propose to have Eucharistic Adoration on **Fridays from 9:30 – 10:30 AM**. Please let me know if you have any suggestions or feedback on this change. ~ Fr. Tony Fernando

Third Sunday of Advent Prayer

Joy-filled Giver of Life, let the anticipation of Your birth fill us with overflowing joy. May our excitement be a sign to the world that You are always near. Amen.

St. Theodore's Art & Environment Team

We are pleased to announce the formation of the Art & Environment Team at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte. The team members are: **Lisa Katzenmeyer, Charlotte Rauch, Teresa Watson, and Janice Weinmann**. This team will be responsible for changing the décor in the church to reflect the Liturgical seasons during the year. Anna Hudson, the Pastoral Assistant of OLP & STC, will be providing additional support for the group.

Decorating Our Churches for Christmas

- Our Lady of the Pines Church Art and Environment Team will be decorating the Church for Christmas on **Friday, December 23 at 10:00 AM**.
- St. Theodore's Art & Environment Team will decorate the Church, on **Sunday, December 18**, following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Join us to create a festive environment to celebrate the birth of Christ.

Mass of the Anointing of the Sick

On coming **Tuesday, December 13**, at Noon, there will be a Mass of the Anointing of the Sick at Nevis. All of you are invited to experience the Lord's strength, comfort and healing. We are grateful to the members of the Guild who will serve a lunch for all the participants.

OLP Christmas Eve Mass on KPRM AM 870

You can be part of our Christmas celebrations at Our Lady of the Pines Church by tuning in to AM 870! Lessons and Carols and our Christmas Eve Mass will be broadcast live on KPRM AM 870 from **4:30 PM to 6:00 PM. on Dec. 24**.

Sympathy

Our sympathy and prayerful support is extended to Dianna Noyes and the members of her family at the death of her mother, **+Mary Jacobson** last Friday. May she rest in peace!

Daily Gospel Reflections

Bishop Robert Barron will now be providing Daily Gospel Reflections. He has done this previously only during Lent, now he will be providing reflections every day of the year! Visit this site to sign-up: <http://dailycatholicgospel.com/get-reflections>

Christmas and Year-end Giving

Christmas and Year-end giving is a Catholic tradition that calls 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 contribution. If you would like your contribution to be recorded for this year, you may mail your contributions with a postmark of **December 31, 2016** or earlier, deliver your contribution to the Parish Office or place your 2016 contribution in the offering basket during the 5:00 PM Liturgy on Saturday, December. 31, 2016. All gifts made on or before December 31 are tax deductible for the tax year in which your gift is made. Gifts received on and after Sunday, January 1st, will be recorded as 2017 donations.

Christmas Flower Memorials

If you wish to make a memorial for a deceased loved one or honor a living person during this 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.

St. Theodore's Altar Servers

Recently, the Altar Servers of St. Theodore's gathered for a refresher training session on the responsibilities of the Altar Server during Mass. The enthusiastic group spent time understanding the importance of their ministry and practicing their duties. Congratulations to: **Anna Katzenmeyer, Aubrey Katzenmeyer, Gabby Nelson, Abbey Richardson, Cain Richardson, Blake Watson and Calli Watson**. We also thank their parents and guardians for their support of this important ministry.