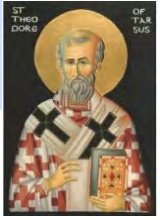


# Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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January 29, 2017

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

## Diocesan Annual Appeal 2017

Next weekend, **February 4 & 5**, the Diocesan Annual Appeal 2017 will take place in our parishes. After the Communion Rite, Doug Scaper and Charlotte Rauch, the DAA Coordinators of our parishes, will talk to us about the goal for our parish and our commitment. We will view a wonderful video from Bishop Hoepfner. It is brief but well done and we think you will enjoy it as it has many photos from around the Diocese and features our youth. We ask you to read the following letter from Bishop Hoepfner and begin praying about a commitment to the DAA 2017.

### *My Dear DAA Donor:*

What a wonderful year we have had here in the Diocese of Crookston! 2016 was the Year of Mercy; it was a year that we all can be thankful for and proud of!

We are thankful for and proud of the great work accomplished in our parish families. Last February, I was able to bless the newly renovated building at St. Joseph's in Red Lake Falls. In April, Deacon Matt Schmitz was ordained there. After years of fundraising and planning, 2016 was the year of breaking ground for a new church building for St. Joseph's Parish in Fertile. In August, the priests and I began a renewal program called "Good Leaders, Good Shepherds". Thanks to you and your contributions, we exceeded our 2016 Diocesan Annual Appeal goal, we paid the bills and we invested in our future.

This year, we engaged in a focused effort to discover what keeps our youth connected to Christ's Church. We want to understand what keeps them active and involved in the Church as they leave home and move out into the world. Dr. Mark Krejci, Director of the Office of Marriage, Family and Life, began a ten-year study on this topic. He is sharing his insights in parishes around the diocese. In the 2017 Diocesan Annual Appeal video, you will see that we have focused on our work with youth. You will see many familiar faces from the Middle School and High School Youth Rallies. Our annual St. John Paul II Camp has been a wonderful experience for our youth, a really faith-filled experience. Parents have asked that we accommodate more youth and so, beginning next summer, we will hold two St. John Paul II Middle School Camps. How wonderful it is to see our Catholic kids joyful in the Lord. Yes, we're thankful and proud indeed. What a beautiful year!

As your Bishop, I am grateful and happy with our work, yours and mine, this past year. Please be generous so that we can continue the fine work that has begun. Your investments in your diocese, your parish and the children and youth of the Diocese of Crookston promise to bear great fruit in the years to come. May God's peace reign in our hearts!

**Most Reverend Michael J. Hoepfner**  
**Bishop of Crookston**

## 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

## *THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES*

<b>Saturday, 1/28</b>	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b> <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For +Joe & Kay Knuth by Gene & Joan Blumberg <b>Projectionist:</b> Judy Thompson
<b>Sunday, 1/29</b> 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time  CLOW	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM  10:30 AM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</b> <b>Mass at STC:</b> For the Members of our Parishes STC Guild Meeting at Laporte Parish Hall  <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For +Don "Doc" Carlson by the Knights of Columbus <b>Projectionist:</b> Kevin Lindow <b>CLOW Leader:</b> Karie Lindow Hospitality after Mass
<b>Monday, 1/30</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED		<b>No Mass</b> Pastor's Day Off
<b>Tuesday, 1/31</b>	Noon	<b>Mass at OLP:</b> For the Good Health of Mike Duclos by Jerome & Arlene Biessener
<b>Wednesday, 2/1</b>	9:00 AM  Noon - 3:00 PM 6:30 - 7:30 PM	<b>Mass at OLP:</b> Thanksgiving for all the blessings upon the Dietenberger Family by Pat Dietenberger Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students Faith Formation Classes for Nevis Grades 7 - 10
<b>Thursday, 2/2</b>	9:00 AM	<b>Mass at OLP:</b> For the Intentions of Anthony & Kathryn Lang Family By Walter & Renee Johnson
<b>Friday, 2/3</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM	<b>Mass at OLP:</b> For +John Lawler by John & Carol Lindow <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>
<b>Saturday, 2/4</b>	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b> <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For +Joseph Grant by Jerome & Arlene Biessener <b>Projectionist:</b> Anna Hudson
<b>Sunday, 2/5</b> 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time  CLOW  2nd Collection at STC: For Laporte Food Shelf	8:00 AM 8:30 AM  10:30 AM  11:45 AM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</b> <b>Mass at STC:</b> For +Bob Sherman by Mary Kempf Hospitality after Mass  <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For the Members of our Parishes <b>Projectionist:</b> Anna Hudson <b>CLOW Leader:</b> Jen McNamee Hospitality after Mass OLP Liturgy Committee Meeting in the Community Room
<b>Upcoming Events</b>	February 6 - 10 February 6 - 10 February 8 February 8 February 8 February 9 February 11 February 12 February 14 February 14 February 16 February 16 February 18 February 21 February 22  March 1 March 1	Crookston Priests' "Good Leader Good Shepherd" Program in Callaway, MN NO Weekday Masses at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Faith Formation for Laporte School Release Time Students, Noon - 2:00 PM Faith Formation for Nevis School Release Time Students, Noon - 3:00 PM Faith Formation Classes for Nevis Grades 7 - 10, 6:30 - 7:30 PM OLP Choir Practice at 6:30 PM STC Church Council Meeting in STC Meeting Room, Laporte at 9:30 AM Bingo at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 4:00 PM Weekday Masses resume at OLP Valentine Day Dinner by Haiti Mission Committee from 5:00 - 7:00 PM STC Faith Formation Teachers Meeting at 3:30 PM Haiti Mission Committee Meeting in OLP Meeting Room at 7:00 PM OLP Finance Council Meeting in OLP Meeting Room at 9:30 AM Knights of Columbus General Meeting at 7:00 PM STC Guild Meeting at 7:00 PM  Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 12 :00 Noon Ash Wednesday Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 6:00 PM

<b>Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, February 4, 2016</b>	
Sacristan	Anna Hudson
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Theora Goodrich, Judy Thompson & Jarod Senger
Altar Servers	Tommy Gust, Joey Senger & Johnny Senger
Ushers	Ed Juelich & Mark Carter
Greeters	Ken Thompson, Judy Thompson, Help Needed & Help Needed
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Joerger (C), Anna Hudson, Help Needed, Help Needed & Help Needed

<b>Sunday, February 5, 2017</b>	
Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Bob DeCrans, Carol Lindow & John Lindow
Altar Servers	Mallory Kowalke, Blake Kowalke & Miranda Kowalke
Ushers	Stephen Lindow, Help Needed, Help Needed & Help Needed
Greeters	Mary DeCrans & Help Needed
Eucharistic Ministers	Kevin Lindow (C), Doug Scrapper, Mary DeCrans, Mike Van Guilder & Help Needed

<b>OLP Monthly Assignments: February 2017</b>	
Hospitality Ministers	Theresa Leyh, Joanne Blaeser, Connie Walz, Arlene Biessener, Wendy Bjorklund, Lisa Kriens, Theora Goodrich, Molly Senger
Altar Linen	Mary DeCrans

<b>St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, February 5 2017</b>	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Anna Hudson, Bonnie Conrad & Help Needed
Altar Servers	Caine Richardson, Abbey Richardson & Blake Watson
Ushers	John Duff & Ken Nelson
Greeters	Lisa Katzenmeyer & Rosemary Moss
Eucharistic Ministers	Jackie Duff (C), Brady Duff & Help Needed

<b>Stewardship Report For the Week of 1/22/2017</b>	<b>Our Lady of the Pines</b>	<b>St. Theodore's Church</b>
Sunday Offering	\$1,553.00	\$827.00
Laporte Food Shelf Envelopes	- -	\$25.00
Candle Offering Envelopes	\$30.00	- -
Rectory Project	\$140.00	- -
Fuel Envelopes	- -	\$25.00
Church in Africa Envelopes	\$10.00	- -

<b>OLP Money Counters for the January 28-29 Weekend</b>
Doug Scrapper, Florence Kramer & Donna Lindow

**Need a Winter Retreat?**

What a great time of year to take care of your spiritual health! Cursillo Weekends are being offered at Sand Hill Bible Camp, just south of Fosston. The weekends include quiet time, inspirational talks, and most importantly, time to be with Jesus without the many distractions of daily life. The weekend starts Thursday evening and ends Sunday afternoon. The Men's weekend will be held **February 23-26** and the Women's will be **March 16-19**. Contact Carol Olsonawski at 218-689-9081 or Bobbi Mercil at 701-866-5706. ~ Bobbi Mercil

**Women's Conference in Fargo**

The Redeemed Women's Conference will be a time for women to discover more richly their identity as Beloved Daughters of the Father, independent of what they do or have done. Out of this identity arises the vocation to become gifts of love that bear the fruit of joy in the world. For women ages 14+ on **March 11th** in Fargo. Check out the website for the list of national and local speakers and performers at [www.fargodiocese.org/redeemedwomen](http://www.fargodiocese.org/redeemedwomen).

**RCIA Program**

If you know someone, who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or desires to become a Catholic, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a program of welcome, prayer and reflection that can help them. This program is also available for baptized Catholics who may have never received First Communion or Confirmation. We will be happy to fully initiate them into the Catholic faith. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Prayer Requests**

Jenny Avenson, Katie Trebesch, Jesse Trebesch, Mike Duclos, Judy Duclos, Marlene Rolfsen, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Michael Wade, Cindy Blair, Lydia Bjorklund, Jody Mockenhaupt, Carla Wheeler, Linda Wurm, Joan McGuire, Peg Koktavy, Helen Mockenhaupt, Lilly Langlois, Barbara Lockwood, Dorothy Goeden, Jan Pollack, Daryl Pollack, Barbara Dietenberger, Paul Mockenhaupt, Priscilla Dietenberger, Jean Dryness, Ray Copa, Winslow Chery, 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.

## Understanding the word “Consubstantial” in the Nicene Creed

The creed affirms that Jesus Christ is begotten (or “born”) *before all ages*. This is an affirmation that He is in fact eternal, and that there was no time when He did not exist. The creed also clarifies that to be “begotten” does not mean that He is a created being (*begotten, not made*). The creed affirms His divine nature (*true God from true God*), as well as His human nature (He *became man* and *suffered death*). The fact that He *came down from heaven* means that we believe He is God who became human, and not a man who became a god.

Then there’s the word, *consubstantial*. For some people it may be new, replacing the phrase “one in being.” But the “new translation” is actually the original, because the word *consubstantial* is really just the English word that is made out of a Latin word, that is the direct translation of the original Greek text of the Creed. So what does it mean? First of all, the literal meaning of *con-substantial* is “same substance.” This is the conviction that the Son, Jesus Christ, is of the same substance as the Father. That substance is divinity itself. In other words, the Son is not only divine, He is the *same* divinity as the Father—not a lower order of divinity. That means that He is also equally eternal with the Father. If you want a quick and easy way to remember what *consubstantial* means, remember this: *same divinity, same eternity*.

This is how we can claim to worship only one God, and still worship Jesus Christ. We worship one God because we worship only one divinity—and that one divinity is shared by the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This is the core of the doctrine of the Trinity. It is the core of the very definition of what it means to be a Christian.

~ Catholics United for Faith

## Update Your Parish Records

We are in the process of updating the family records of our parishioners in our system. We are also planning for a new church photo directory of our parish. Eighty percent of our parishioners have already updated their records; we need the rest of the parishioners’ assistance to complete our process.

Your information will be used to update your family record already on file and to create a list of current members for our parish photo directory. Please include birthdays and anniversaries for your family members which we publish every month in our bulletin. We want to make sure that you and the members of your family are acknowledged during our community celebration of these events on the second weekend of every month soon after the Masses.

The Parish Forms and Time & Talent Sheets are available in the gathering places of our Churches and on our website (<https://ccnevislaporte.org/parish-forms>). Kindly fill out both these forms and drop them either in the collection basket when you come for weekend Mass or mail them to the Parish Office. Thank you! ~ Judy Thompson

## Sunday Reflection: Beatitudes

The sermon on the mount is the heart of the Gospel, and the Beatitudes are the heart of the sermon on the mount. Here we see the focused image of the Christian life. While contemporary wisdom says “Get rich, have more if you want happiness and enjoy having a personal pride”, Jesus says “Blessed are the poor in spirit...”. When the world says “Don’t mourn, don’t worry...and to be happy, seek pleasure”, Jesus says “Blessed are those who mourn...”. When the world says: “Be aggressive, assert yourself or you will be used and trampled upon”, Jesus says: “Blessed are the meek...”.

Today’s popular culture is about getting ahead and winning and becoming rich; and after rich, famous. It is more about appearances than reality. The beatitudes tells us that wealth and success often destroy people; that it is often through our very strength that we fall. The other side of it is that defeat and failure can be a profound victory.

Jesus reverses our “natural” assumption that happiness lies in riches, power, pleasure, and comfort. He strongly asserts that those who have recognized and acknowledged their dependence on God are truly blessed and truly happy.

## Blessing of the Throat

Many Catholics might remember Saint Blaise's feast day, **February 3**, because of the Blessing of the Throats that takes place on this day. Two candles are blessed, held slightly open, and pressed against the throat as the blessing is said.

Do join us for the Blessing of the Throats on **Friday, February 3, 2017** during the Mass at 9:00 AM. If you are not able to make it, here is the prayer in honor of St. Blaise you may say:

“O God, deliver us through the intercession of  
Thy holy bishop and martyr Blaise,  
from all evil of soul and body,  
especially from all ills of the throat;  
and grant us the grace to obtain your pardon,  
and ever to praise with worthy lips your most holy name.  
Through Christ our Lord”. Amen.

## Valentine Dinner

A Haiti Mission Fundraising Event  
Join us at Our Lady of the Pines Parish Hall, Nevis  
On **Tuesday, February 14, 5:00 - 7:00 PM**

## Prayer

Grant that I may radiate Thy light, Thy love,  
Thy healing, Thy joy, and Thy peace,  
to all those around me  
and all those in my thoughts  
this day and ever more.

~ Jonathan Lockwood Huie