

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

March 26, 2017

4th Sunday of Lent

Opening Ourselves to God's Grace



The blind man's journey in today's Gospel is a journey in stages that begins with the knowledge of Jesus' name. He does not know anything else about Jesus; He is just "a man called Jesus," then "a prophet," and a man close to God. Once He has been banished from the temple, expelled from society, Jesus finds him again and "opens his eyes" for the second time, by revealing His own identity to him: "I am the messiah."

Our lives are sometimes similar to that of the blind man who opened himself to the light, who opened himself to God, who opened himself to God's grace. But sometimes, unfortunately, we are similar to the doctors of the law - from the height of our pride, we judge others, and even the Lord!

Today, we are invited to open ourselves to the light of Christ in order to bear fruit in our lives, to eliminate unchristian behaviors that are sinful. We must repent of this, eliminate these behaviors in order to journey well along the way of holiness. How might I better open myself to God's gifts and use them to help others?

~ Pope Francis

Experience God's Mercy

Deanery Day of Reconciliation at St. Philips's Church, Bemidji

Friday, March 31, 2017 from 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Lenten Penance Service at OLP, Nevis

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at 6:30 PM

Lenten Individual Confession at OLP, Nevis

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 12:30 PM

Weekly Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:15 - 4:45 PM at OLP & Sundays 8:00 AM at St. Theodore's
And Any Time by Appointment

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 communion for the sick and homebound or intend 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, 3/25	4:15 - 4:45 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Knights of Columbus leading Rosary Mass at OLP: For +Sharon Smiens by Carol Anderson Projectionist: Jessie Clack Knights of Columbus Food Drive Begins
Sunday, 3/26 Fourth Sunday of Lent CLOW Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services	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: For Safe Travel for the Tom Kempf Family by Mary Kempf Projectionist: Jason Funk CLOW Leader: Help Needed Hospitality after Mass Knights of Columbus Food Drive Begins
Monday, 3/27 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED		NO Mass Pastor's Day Off
Tuesday, 3/28	Noon	Mass at OLP: For the Good Health of Joan McGuire by Ed & Lillian Juelich
Wednesday, 3/29	Noon - 3:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:45 PM	No Morning Mass Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students Mass at OLP: Birthday Remembrance of +Jerome Herdina by Jeanette Goehring Confirmation Youth join the Mass & Confessions for Grade 8 Lenten Soup Supper after Mass
Thursday, 3/30	9:00 AM 6:30 PM	Mass at OLP: Birthday Blessings on John Kulas by Mary Kempf OLP Choir Practice
Friday, 3/31 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	7:00 AM-8:00 PM 9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM 12:30 PM	Deanery Reconciliation Day at St. Philip's Church, Bemidji Mass at OLP: Birthday Blessings on Deb Elless by Mary Kempf Eucharistic Adoration Stations of the Cross at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte followed by Lenten Soup Luncheon
Saturday, 4/1	9:30 AM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	Church Cleaning at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For + Christopher Kirschman by Bob and Donna Lindow Projectionist: Jessie Clack
Sunday, 4/2 Fifth Sunday of Lent CLOW STC Second Collection Laporte Food Shelf	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 the Members of our Parishes Hospitality after Mass Mass at OLP: Birthday Remembrance of + Alphonsus J. Casey by Mary Frank Projectionist: Anna Hudson CLOW Leader: Lisa Kriens Hospitality after Mass
Upcoming Events	April 4 April 5 April 5 April 5 April 5 April 5 April 6 April 8 April 10 April 11	Mass of the Anointing of the Sick at Our Lady of the Pines Church at Noon Faith Formation for Nevis School Release Time Students, Noon - 3:00 PM Confessions for Grade 4 at 1:00 PM at Our Lady of the Pines Church Lenten Soup supper at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 6:00 PM Lenten Penance Service at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 6:30 PM Faith Formation Youth join Lenten Penance Service at 6:30 PM Choir Practice at Our Lady of the Pines, 6:30 PM Finance Council Meeting at Our Lady of the Pines at 10:00 AM Chrism Mass in Crookston Cathedral at 6:30 PM Cemetery Committee Meeting at Our Lady of the Pines at 6:30 PM

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, April 1, 2017	
Sacristan	Loren Kramer
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Connie Walz
Lectors	Jesse Clack, Jill Clack & Help Needed
Altar Servers	Molly Lindow, Megan Lindow & Eli Lindow
Ushers	Ed Juelich, Mark Carter Loren Kramer & Florence Kramer
Greeters	Dolores Dvorak & Ed Dvorak
Eucharistic Ministers	Loren Kramer (C), Bob Lindow, Pat Dietenberger, Help Needed & Help Needed

Sunday, April 2, 2017	
Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Holly Funk, Dustin Wroolie & Jan Lundberg
Altar Servers	Aiden Thompson, Liddy DeWulf & Emily Funk
Ushers	Jason Funk, Stephen Lindow, Jim Warner & Gino Hebzynski
Greeters	Mary DeCrans & Karie Lindow
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeanne Thompson (C), Ronda De Wulf, Pat Hrubes, Carol Lindow & John Lindow

OLP Monthly Assignments: April 2017	
Hospitality Ministers	Rebecca Scaper, Leah Walters, Jeannene Johnson, Kathy Nagel, Mary Schiebe, Kelly Kramer, Judy Duclos, Mitzi Adrian
Altar Linen	Deb Tangeman

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, April 2, 2017	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Bonnie Conrad, Charlotte Rauch & Sharon Lembke
Altar Servers	Caine Richardson, Abree Katzenmeyer & Abbey Richardson
Ushers	Joe Eisterhold & John Duff
Greeters	Rosemary Moss & Irene Fehn
Eucharistic Ministers	Jackie Duff (C), Brady Duff & Anna Hudson

Stewardship Report For the Week of 3/19/2017	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$2,867.30	\$663.00
Candle Offering Envelopes	\$15.00	--
Easter Flower Envelopes	\$85.00	\$130.00
2017 DAA Contribution (\$ as of March 20, 2017) % parish participation	\$5393.00 (Goal: 14,215.00) 23.11 %	\$1063.50 (Goal: 3632.00) 16.90 %

OLP Money Counters for the March 25-26 Weekend
Florence Kramer, Mary Schiebe & Loren Kramer

Second Collection for CRS

This weekend, we are taking up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to respond to **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters. Please prayerfully consider supporting CRS Collection.

Bid for Mowing OLP Cemeteries

Our Lady of the Pines Parish Cemetery Committee is seeking bids for mowing both of our Cemeteries this summer. Job descriptions are available at the Parish Office. You may send your quote to: OLP Cemetery Chairperson, C/O Our Lady of the Pines Parish Office, PO Box 378, Nevis, MN 56467. Bids should be in by April 9.
~ John Lindow

Daddy – Daughter Dance

The Father Project and Violence Prevention Program presents the “Daddy-Daughter Dance” at Park Rapids High School on **Saturday, April 8, 2017**, from 6:00 - 9:00 PM. Come and enjoy an evening of music, dancing, food and fun! RSVP in advance to kristenpartlow@catholichealth.net or 218-255-1178 for VIP discount of \$13/dad \$7/daughter.
~ Joseph Johnson

Deanery Day of Reconciliation - March 31st

Red Lake to Park Rapids, Fosston to Laporte to Blackduck: calling all Catholics to Bemidji for an opportunity to experience God's Grace through reconciliation. **Friday, March 31, from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM** at Saint Philip's Catholic Church, 702 Beltrami Ave NW, Bemidji, MN. Two priests will be available every hour in the Reconciliation Room to hear individual confessions. Reconciliation aids are available.

Prayer Requests

Marsha Karan, Joan McGuire, Janet Ramlet, Jenny Avenson, Joan Blumberg, Dorothy Pohl, Ruth Grandy, Karen Mondry, Katie Trebesch, Jesse Trebesch, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Cindy Blair, Jody Mockenhaupt, Peg Koktavy, Carla Wheeler, Ray Copa, Barbara Lockwood, Dorothy Goeden, Jan Pollack, Daryl Pollack, Barbara Dietenberger, Winslow Chery, Priscilla Dietenberger, Harold Dietenberger, Paul Mockenhaupt, Helen Mockenhaupt.

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.

Chrism Mass at Crookston Cathedral

Every year, a Chrism Mass is celebrated by the local Bishop of the diocese at its Cathedral. On **Monday, April 10th**, Bishop Michael Hoepfner will celebrate the Chrism Mass of our diocese at the Cathedral of Crookston at 6:30 PM. During this Mass, the Bishop will consecrate the Oil of Sacred Chrism, which is used during Baptisms, Confirmation and Priesthood Ordinations. He also will bless the Oil of Catechumens, which is used for Baptisms, and the Oil of the Sick, which is used for anointing of the sick.

All Parishes in the diocese are asked to send two Representatives to receive these Holy Oils from the Bishop at the end of the Chrism Mass. In the past, we had the families of Confirmation Students receiving the Oils on behalf of the parish. We ask the families with Confirmation candidates to consider participating this year's Chrism Mass at Crookston and receive the Holy Oils for our parish. Please call the Parish Office, if your family is interested in doing this service.

Mass of the Anointing of the Sick: April 4

Lent is a wonderful time to receive the Sacrament of Healing and Restoration. At Our Lady of the Pines Church, there will be a Healing Mass on **Tuesday, April 4 at Noon**. The OLP Guild will be serving a lunch to all participants. Families can plan to bring the sick and the homebound and give them an opportunity to enjoy some fun and fellowship in the Parish Hall after the spiritual healing. We hope to see you at the Mass of the Anointing of the Sick.

OLP Choir Practices for Holy Week

The OLP choir will be singing for the Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil Liturgies. There are two practices scheduled: **March 30th and April 6th at 6:30 PM** in the Church. New members are welcome!

Easter Flower Offering

If you wish to make a memorial for a deceased loved one or honor a living person during the season of Easter, you may use the Easter Flower Envelope mailed to you or use this Bulletin cut-out box. Your contributions will be used for flowers and decorations during the Easter season. All memorials will be published in our parish bulletin.

Your Name: _____

In Memory of : + _____

or

In Honor of: _____

Amount: _____ Thank You.

A Lenten Prayer

O God, I would like to be reconciled to You but I don't know how to do it and I don't feel worthy. Help me to accept, therefore, Your invitation to be reconciled to You, in order to become a new creature and to radiate Your mercy among my brothers and sisters, and build bridges of reconciliation, beginning in my family and in my interpersonal relationships.
~ Pope Francis

Passion of Jesus Christ World Premiere Concert

Concordia College at Moorhead has commissioned Dr. René Clausen to compose a significant choral orchestral work in observation of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Hear 400 musicians tell the story of the Passion in the world premiere performance weekend at Memorial Auditorium, on **April 9, 2017, at 7:00 PM**. Admission is free. All are welcome.

Job Opportunity

Sacred Heart School in East Grand Forks, MN, is seeking Elementary Education teachers for the 2017-2018 school year in Second, Third and Fifth grades. Please send a letter of interest, resume, three letters of reference, college transcripts and a copy of your teaching license to Jodi Vanderheiden, Principal, Sacred Heart Catholic School, 200 Third Street NW, East Grand Forks MN 56721 or email: jvanderheiden@sacredheartegf.net. The application deadline is **March 31, 2017**.

Walker Spring Job Fair 2017

A Spring Job Fair will be held **Friday, March 31, from 1:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.** and at Blue Water Lodge just off Highway 371, three miles South of Walker. The purpose of the event is to bring together job seekers and area employers of the Walker, Hackensack, Akeley and Longville areas. Jobs opportunities include sales, services, skilled and unskilled labor, health care, mechanical, bookkeeping, information technology, clerical, management trainees and more. Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact Joe Sherman, at 218-547-1827. ~Sherren Foss

Catholics at the Capitol

Wow, what a day! Nearly 40 people from the Diocese of Crookston attended the program Catholics at the Capitol on March 9th. Each person left inspired and encouraged. The Bishops of Minnesota along with Bishop Conley of the Diocese of Lincoln, NE and Gloria Purivs from EWTN informed participants about the issues and motivated them to speak with their elected officials.

Check out some of the videos and pictures of our day in St. Paul by visiting <https://mncatholic.org/catholics-at-the-capitol/>. Look for interviews and a complete story in the upcoming OND.