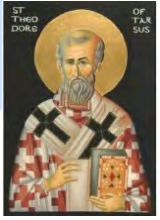


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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April 23, 2017

Divine Mercy Sunday



'Jesus, I trust in You'

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated in this weekend liturgies. Our celebration emphasizes a powerful message: that God loves us; He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. This consoling message is addressed to all of us who are afflicted by the weight of sins, have lost all confidence in life and are tempted to give in to despair.

In the year 1931, Saint Mary Faustina Kowalska had a vision of Jesus as the King of Divine Mercy. He wore a white gown, and white and red rays flowed from His side. The two rays coming from Jesus' heart represented blood and water. Blood referred to the sacrifice of the cross, and the gift of the Eucharist. Water referred to the gifts of baptism and the Holy

Spirit. St. Faustina was told to paint his picture and under it put the words, "Jesus, I trust in You." This simple act of abandonment to Jesus dispels the thickest clouds and lets a ray of light penetrate every life.

On this Divine Mercy Sunday, let us fix our gaze on the face of the Risen Christ, make our own prayer of trusting abandonment and say with firm hope: Jesus, I trust in you!

Prayer for Divine Mercy

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion is inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us; that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.

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

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, 4/22	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	STC Church and Cemetery Ground Cleaning OLP Cemetery Clean-up Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For +George Isaacson by Bob & Donna Lindow Projectionist: Jesse Clack
Sunday, 4/23 Divine Mercy Sunday CLOW Spring Bible Study Registration Begins	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:45 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For the Members of our Parishes Mass at OLP: For +Jack Karnowski by Julie Quintal Projectionist: Kevin Lindow CLOW Leader: Help Needed Hospitality after Mass OLP Guild Meeting in the Community Room
Monday, 4/24 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED		NO Mass Pastor's Day Off
Tuesday, 4/25	Noon	Mass at OLP: For + Leo Kueber by Duane & Christine Kueber
Wednesday, 4/26	9:00 AM Noon - 3:00 PM 6:30 - 7:30 PM 7:00 PM	Mass at OLP: For the Intentions of the Karen & John Mondry Family by Walter & Renee Johnson Last Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students Confirmation Classes for Grades 7 - 10 at Our Lady of the Pines Church STC Guild Meeting at Laporte
Thursday, 4/27	9:00 AM 6:30 PM	Mass at OLP: Birthday Blessings on Doug Henke by Mary Kempf OLP First Holy Communion Practice
Friday, 4/28 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM 4:00 PM	Mass at OLP: For +Ernie Wetschka by John & Carol Lindow Eucharistic Adoration First Holy Communion Retreat at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte
Saturday, 4/29	9:30 AM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	STC Council Meeting at Laporte Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: Birthday Blessings on Amy Kestner by Mary Kempf Projectionist: Jesse Clack
Sunday, 4/30 3rd Sunday of Easter Second Collection for Catholic Missions USA Spring Bible Study Registration	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Shirley Leyendecker by Louis Leyendecker First Holy Communion at St Theodore's Church, followed by Hospitality Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes First Holy Communion at Our Lady of the Pines Church, followed by Hospitality Projectionist: Jason Funk
Upcoming Events	May 2 May 3 May 4 May 4 May 6 May 6 May 6 May 7 May 7 May 7 May 9 May 10 May 11 May 11	Spring Bible Study begins at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 1:00 PM Confirmation Classes for Grades 8 - 10 at Our Lady of the Pines Church Spring Bible Study begins at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 2:30 PM STC Corporate Board Budget Meeting at St. Theodore's Church at 3:30 PM Eucharistic Minister Training at STC at 9:30 AM Lectors Training at STC at 10:30 AM Baptism Rehearsal at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 11:30 AM Baptism of Children at St. Theodore's Church during 8:30 AM Mass Eucharistic Ministers Training at OLP at 11:45 AM Mother's Day Flower Delivery at OLP after Mass Spring Bible Study at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 1:00 PM OLP Faith Formation Committee and Teachers Meeting OLP Corporate Board Budget Meeting at 10:00 AM Spring Bible Study at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 2:30 PM

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, April 29, 2017	
Sacristan	Loren Kramer
Musicians	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Jeanette Goehring
Lectors	Jesse Clack, Jill Clack & Dustin Wroolie
Altar Servers	Tommy Gust, Joey Senger & Johnny Senger
Ushers	Mark Carter, Ed Dvorak Dan Dierkhising & Ed Juelich
Greeters	Theora Goodrich, Florence Kramer Dee Dvorak & Sue Joeger
Eucharistic Ministers	Loren Kramer (C), Jarod Senger, Help Needed, Help Needed & Help Needed

Sunday, April 30, 2017	
Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantors	Angie Lindow & Karie Lindow
Lectors	Mary Schiebe, Bob DeCrans & First Holy Communicants
Altar Servers	Grace McNamee, Kiley Lindow & Mallory Kowalke
Ushers	Stephen Lindow, Jim Warner, Gino Hebzynski & Help Needed
Greeters	Carol Lindow, Mary DeCrans Cheri Stallman & Ted Stallman
Eucharistic Ministers	Ronda DeWulf (C), Holly Funk, Pat Hrubes, Mary DeCrans & Ted Stallman

OLP Monthly Assignments: April 2017	
Hospitality Ministers	Rebecca Scrapper, 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 30 2017	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Song Leader	Charlotte Rauch
Lectors	Bonnie Conrad, Joe Eisterhold & First Holy Communicants
Altar Servers	Blake Watson, Caine Richardson & Gabby Nelson
Ushers	Roger Rudbeck & John Duff
Greeters	Ruth Grandy & Donna Minikus
Eucharistic Ministers	Carol Wellen (C), Jackie Duff & Brady Duff

Stewardship Report For the Week of 4/16/2017	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Easter Offering	\$3,684.00	\$904.50
Good Friday Holy Land Collection	\$822.00	\$204.00
Candle Offering	\$40.00	--
KC Food Drive	--	\$50.00

2017 DAA Contribution (\$ as of April 04, 2017) % parish participation	\$6,081.00 (Goal: \$14,215.00) 24.17 %	\$1,322.00 (Goal: \$3,632.00) 19.72 %
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OLP Money Counters for the April 29 - 30 Weekend
Mary Schiebe, Doug Scrapper & Nancy Greene

Next Week's 2nd Collection: Catholic Home Mission
Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal.

Thank You!

- ◆ St. Theodore's parish community thanks **John Lampert** for his generous donation to St. Theodore's Cemetery in memory of his mother +JoAnn O'Connell.
- ◆ The Nevis Senior Citizens wish to express their gratitude and appreciation to Our Lady of the Pines Parish Community for your donation. Your contribution will be used to buy supplies for our pancake breakfasts, which are held the 3rd Saturday of every month, April through October. We are grateful.
~ Loren Kramer

Electronic Giving
'Direct Deposit' is a safe and secure way to submit your Sunday offering and support our Parishes during the many out of town weekends you may be planning. In collaboration with Citizens Bank - Park Rapids, our parish now has the ability to support parishioners who would like to give electronically. Please contact the Parish Office for more details .

Praying the Rosary in May
During the month of May, we will recite the Rosary as a community 20 minutes before the weekend Masses in both of our parishes. Please join us in this Marian devotion!

Prayer Requests
Chad Jacobson, Lance Sorenson, Maxine Stranger, Janet Ramlet, Jenny Avenson, Joan Blumberg, Dorothy Pohl, Karen Mondry, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Cindy Blair, Jody Mockenhaupt, Peg Koktavy, Carla Wheeler, Ray Copa, Barbara Lockwood, Dorothy Goeden, Jan Pollack, Daryl Pollack, Barbara Dietenberger, 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.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors Training

The Diocese of Crookston requires Liturgical Ministers to be trained and commissioned by the Bishop every three years. We were blessed to have two groups of Liturgical Ministers commissioned in July 2014 and July 2016. The first group's three year term expires in June 2017. Training will be held in May and June for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers of 2014 group and for individuals who are interested in doing this service. Parishioners, seasonal residents and summer visitors who have received the sacrament of Confirmation can become a Liturgical Minister in our parishes. Please mark your calendar and get certified.

Upcoming Eucharistic Minister Training:

- **Saturday, May 6, at 9:30 AM at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte**
- **Sunday, May 7, at 11:45 AM, at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis**
- **Saturday, June 3, at 6:00 PM, at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis**

Upcoming Lector Training:

- **Saturday, May 6, at 10:30 AM, at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte**
- **Sunday, June 4, at 11:45 AM, at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis**
- **Saturday, June 17, at 6:00 PM, at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis**

Update on Building a Rectory in Nevis

We are happy to inform you that our final plan for building the Rectory in Nevis has been approved by the Diocesan Building Commission. Contracts are signed with B-Dirt Construction as the main contractor and other parishioners as sub-contractors. Our current plan is to begin work in mid-to-late May. To kick off the project, a ground breaking ceremony is scheduled for **Sunday, May 14**, soon after the 10:30 AM Mass. We invite you to join us at the corner lot at Pleasant Street and 5th Avenue, Nevis.

Your generous donations so far have allowed us to begin the project; however, your continued support is needed to complete the work. The Finance Council and the Building Committee intend to raise the needed funds by having Second Collections on the first weekend of each month, May through November 2017. We request parishioners and visitors help us generously complete our Rectory project.

~ Fr. Tony Fernando

KC Food Shelf Drive Update

Thank you to those that donated food or money to the KC Food Shelf Drive. We have \$220 in cash and about 600 pounds of food; though impressive, this is less than previous drives. The Laporte and Nevis/Akeley Food Shelves need our help to support people in our communities. If you have not yet made a donation, there's still time! Please consider a generous donation in the next two weeks. ~Marcel Noyes

Faith Formation News

Next Wednesday, we will complete the Faith Formation program for Nevis Public School Release Time Children and on Wednesday, May 10, Laporte School Release Time Children will end their program. This year, we were blessed to have 52 children come from Nevis Public School and 14 children from Laporte Public School attending Faith Formation programs in our parishes.

Faith Formation Teachers and Volunteers are a special gift to our community to help parents in teaching their children our Faith. We are grateful to all parents, teachers, volunteers and the office support staff for their ministry rendered to these children.

Please note: Confirmation Program for grade 8 – 11 will conclude on **Wednesday, May 10, 2017** as they are preparing their final papers. Students, plan to come for classes from 6:30 - 7:30 PM.

Register for Our Spring Bible Study Program

In our upcoming Adult Faith Formation Program, we will study Mathew Kelly's well-known book, *Resisting Happiness*". Registration is taking place now. The first Session will be on **Tuesday, May 2nd at 1:00 PM** at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis. The same program will be offered at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte on **Thursdays, starting May 4th at 2:30 PM**. Please sign up today and be a part of the Adult Faith Formation Program

First Holy Communion Class of 2017

Please keep our First Holy Communion Class of 2017 in your prayers as they get ready for the reception of their First Holy Communion on **April 30, 2017**. Two of them will be receiving their First Holy Communion at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte, during the 8:30 AM Mass and six others will be receiving their First Holy Communion at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis, during the 10:30 AM Mass. We thank their parents and their teachers, Angie Lindow and Lisa Katzenmeyer, for their hard work to prepare them.

Parents, kindly note that a rehearsal is scheduled for the First Communicants of Our Lady of the Pines Church on **Thursday, April 27th at 6:30 PM** in Nevis. The First Communicants of St. Theodore's Church will have their Rehearsal on **Friday, April 28th at 4:00 PM** in Laporte. Parents, please plan to join us.

Calling all *Cursillistas*

You are welcome to join us for a Mass at 5:00 PM on **Saturday, May 6th**, at Holy Rosary Church, Detroit Lakes and the *Ultreya* following the Mass. It will be a fabulous evening of fellowship, faith and food. There will be music, prayer, a powerful personal witness talk, and a chance to share our journeys with each other. Please bring a potluck item to share ~ Crookston *Cursillo* Conference