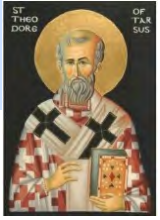


# Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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July 16, 2017

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Sunday Reflection: Courage to be Good Soil

Today's Gospel reading contains the parable of the 'Sower'. The parable speaks about seeds that are God's Word in its many expressions. We have to do something with this gift. It simply is not enough just to hear the Word of God. We've got to do something more than just let the seed hit the ground. We've got to be good soil. We have to nourish the Word of God. We have to strengthen it. We have to let it take root and grow within us to such an extent that we are covered in its foliage.



The Divine Sower throws His Word on us to look with love and compassion on all the people in the world. We live under the constant threat of terrorism. Yet, we cannot return hatred with hatred. Yes, we must be protected from radical Islam, but if we allow these people to reduce us to hatred, then we are trampling the seeds of God under our feet.

The Divine Sower is throwing seeds. He is begging us to let his Word take root. But how can it take root if, instead of soil, it is thrown into a cesspool? How can His Word grow when it is thrown into a society that condones immorality, even supports immorality, in the name of freedom and political correctness? How can the Word of God take root in a place where the soil has been replaced with sewage? The Word of God can't grow in a cesspool. Today we pray for the courage to be good soil.

~ Joseph Pellegrino

## 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 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.

## 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><b>Saturday, 7/15</b></p> <p>Visiting Priest: Fr. Andrew Obel</p>	<p>4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b> <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For +Laverna Schulte by Bob &amp; Donna Lindow 50th Wedding Anniversary Blessing of David &amp; Carol Schlinkert during 5:00 PM Mass Projectionist: Judy Thompson</p>
<p><b>Sunday, 7/16</b></p> <p>15th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Visiting Priest: Fr. Andrew Obel</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</b> <b>Mass at STC:</b> For +Mallory Sauer by the Kempf Family STC Guild Meeting <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For +Jeannine &amp; Thomas Frank by Mary Frank Projectionist: Jason Funk</p>
<p><b>Monday, 7/17</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>		<p><b>No Mass</b> Carpet cleaning at STC</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, 7/18</b></p>	<p>10:30 AM 7:00 PM</p>	<p><b>No Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b> Money Counters: Terry Lenz, Catherine Lenz &amp; Doug Scrapper Knights of Columbus General Meeting</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, 7/19</b></p>	<p>7:00 PM</p>	<p><b>No Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b> STC replace furniture after carpet cleaning</p>
<p><b>Thursday, 7/20</b></p>		<p><b>No Mass &amp; No Adoration at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b></p>
<p><b>Friday, 7/21</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>		<p><b>No Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday, 7/22</b></p> <p>Visiting Priest: Fr. Joe DeCrans</p>	<p>4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</b> <b>Mass at OLP:</b> Birthday Blessings on Missy Yaggie by the Kempf Family Projectionist: Anna Hudson</p>
<p><b>Sunday, 7/23</b></p> <p>16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Visiting Priest: Fr. Joe DeCrans</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</b> <b>Mass at STC:</b> For +Angela Martini by Connie Gueli and Family STC Guild Meeting <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For +Joe Tomas by Helen Tomas and Family Projectionist: Jeanne Thompson Hospitality after Mass</p>
<p><b>Upcoming Events</b></p>	<p>July 29 &amp; 30 August 3 August 5 &amp; 6 August 6 August 7 - 11 August 10 August 12 &amp; 13 August 14 August 15 August 15 August 16 - 18 August 17 August 20 August 20 August 26 August 27 August 27 August 31 September 2-3 September 3</p>	<p>Visiting Priest: Msgr. Mike Foltz Weekday Masses Resume at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Second Collection for Rectory Project at Our Lady of the Pines Church. Second Collection for Laporte Food Shelf at St. Theodore's Church Vacation Bible School at St Peter's Church, Park Rapids 9:00 AM - Noon OLP Finance Council Meeting at 10:00 AM at Nevis Birthday &amp; Anniversary Celebration after Mass at OLP Nevis Holy Day of Obligation Mass: Assumption of Our Lady at 5:00 PM in Nevis Holy Day of Obligation Mass: Assumption of Our Lady at 8:30 AM in Laporte Knights of Columbus General Meeting at 7:00 PM Good Leaders &amp; Good Shepherd Program for Crookston Clergy Haiti Mission Committee Meeting at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 7:00 PM OLP Altar Servers Appreciation Day OLP Guild Meeting at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 11:45 AM OLP Confirmation Rehearsal at 2:00 PM STC Guild Meeting at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte, at 9:30 AM Confirmation at OLP at 10:30 AM Deanery meeting at Kelliher 12:00 PM Second Collection for Rectory Project at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Second Collection for Laporte Food Shelf at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</p>

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, July 22, 2017	
Sacristan	Leah Pigatti
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Judy Thompson & Sue Pearson
Lectors	LaVonne Lindow, Jeanne Thompson & Help Needed
Altar Servers	Help Needed, Help Needed & Help Needed
Ushers	Mark Carter, Bob Lindow, Ed Dvorak & John Kramer
Greeters	Dolores Dvorak, Leah Pigatti, Richard Daniels & Cecelia Daniels
Eucharistic Ministers	Lee Hammer (C), Shari Hammer, Jim Seifert, Jona Seifert & Bob Lindow

Sunday, July 23, 2017	
Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantors	Angie Lindow & Karie Lindow
Lectors	Mary Schiebe, Mike DeWulf & Ronda DeWulf
Altar Servers	Tyler Lindow, Spencer Lindow & Brenna Lindow
Ushers	Chuck Tangeman, Jim Warner, Clarence Marketon & Jason Funk
Greeters	Ted Stallman, Cheri Stallman, Sylvia McCarty & Cheryl Van Guilder
Eucharistic Ministers	Carol Lindow (C), Ted Stallman, Cheri Stallman, Sharon Pollard & John Pollard (Bob DeCrans & John Lindow)

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, July 23, 2017	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Kevin Warne, Karen Kopa & Sharon Lembke
Altar Servers	Caine Richardson, Abbey Richardson & Gabby Nelson
Ushers	Joe Eisterhold & Eugene Eisterhold
Greeters	Bonnie Conrad & Irene Fehn
Eucharistic Ministers	Colleen Curran (C), Dan Janiga & Jean Janiga

Stewardship Report For the Week of 7/09/2017	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$3,224.45	\$745.00
<b>Second Collection:</b> Peter's Pence	\$895.00	\$123.00
Donations for Rectory Project	\$1,670.00	--
Candle Offering	\$16.00	--
<b>2017 DAA Contribution</b> (\$ as of June 19, 2017) % parish participation	<b>\$8,137.00</b> (Goal: \$14,215.00) 28.30 %	<b>\$1,889.00</b> (Goal: \$3,632.00) 23.94 %

**CHI St Joseph's Hospice Care Chicken Dinner**

CHI St Joseph's Hospice Care is hosting their 30th Annual Chicken Dinner on **Friday, July 21st, from 4:30 - 7:00 PM** at the Park Rapids American Legion. The menu features a full chicken dinner with all the fixin's and our regionally famous Brownie Sundae Bar! Adults: \$10; children ages 4-10: \$5; children age 3 and under eat FREE!  
~ Betsy Meyer

**Help Needed at STC, Laporte**

St. Theodore's Church will clean the carpets of the Church and its facility on Monday, July 17th. We need to move everything except the pews off the carpet. For this, we need your help. Give us your helping hand soon after the Mass on **Sunday, July 16th**. Join us again to move everything back at **7:00 PM on Wednesday, July 19th**.  
~ Marcel Noyes

**News Items for Parish Bulletin**

Please send your Bulletin news items electronically to [olpbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:olpbulletin@gmail.com). The deadline for sending in news items is **Tuesday by 12 Noon**. We appreciate receiving your news items at least 2 weeks before the event is scheduled to take place.

**Movie of the Month: "As I Stand"**

St. John's Lutheran Church, Akeley is screening the movie, "**As I Stand**" on **Friday, July 21**. It will be shown at 2:00 PM and at 7:00 PM. It's a free movie with free popcorn, pop and water. Come and join us in this blessed season.  
~ Stacey Schneider

OLP Monthly Assignments: July 2017	
Hospitality Ministers	Nancy Greene, Kay Marcussen, Holly Funk, Maureen Waltman, Margo Bernady, Judy Thompson, Chris Trushcheff
Altar Linen	Leah Pigatti

**Prayer Requests**

Pat Hermes, Thomas Roberts, Jenny Avenson, Sue Joerger, Larry Yunker, John Carter, Art Meyer, Lance Sorenson, Janet Ramlet, Jenny Avenson, Joan Blumberg, Dorothy Pohl, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Cindy Blair, Jody Mockenhaupt, Peg Koktavay, Dorothy Goeden, Barbara Lockwood, Jan Pollack, Daryl Pollack, Barbara Dietenberger, Priscilla Dietenberger, Harold Dietenberger, Paul Mockenhaupt, Carla Wheeler

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.

## Letter from DAA Chairpersons of our Parishes

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

The Diocesan Annual Appeal 2017 has been going on now for about six months and our parishes have a long way to go to meet our goals. We thank the 28.3% of Our Lady of the Pines parishioners who have contributed \$8,137.00 and 23.94% of St. Theodore's Church members who have contributed \$1,889.00.

We would ask the remaining 70+% of our parishioners to consider donating even a small amount to help meet our goals. The strength of our parishes is not major participation by a few, but some participation by all of us.

We have attended some Diocesan Annual Appeal meetings and we can assure you that first, the diocese definitely needs our gifts to carry on the numerous programs that benefits us all and second, the diocese uses our gifts wisely and responsibly.

Please help us reach our goals by being a participant in the Diocesan Annual Appeal. DAA envelopes are available at the gathering places. You may drop them in the collection basket with your contribution.

Let us remember that we're not a parish of 28% or 23% participation; the spirit we all feel at Mass and our parish functions tells us that!

~ **Doug Scaper & Charlotte Rauch**  
DAA Chairpersons of OLP & STC

## Vocation Camp: August 8 – 10, 2017

*Esto Vir* (Be a Man) is a vocation camp for young men (age 16+) sponsored by the Crookston Diocesan Office of Vocations. This camp is an opportunity for young men who may be open to the priesthood to come together and spend some days in community with each other and the seminarians of the diocese. The camp includes sports and games, lakeside recreation, Mass, prayer, food, and fellowship.

**Date: August 8-10, 2017**

**Arrival - 10:00 AM, Departure - 3:00 PM.**

**Location: Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp, Fosston, MN**

For more details contact Fr. Matt Schmitz, at 218-773-0877 or [mschmitz@sacredheartegf.net](mailto:mschmitz@sacredheartegf.net)

## Vacation Bible School

The children of our parishes are invited to attend Vacation Bible School at St Peter's Church in Park Rapids. VBS will take place **Monday - Friday, August 7-11, 9:00 AM to Noon** at St Peter's Parish Center, Park Rapids. Children entering kindergarten in the fall through students entering 4th grade in the fall are invited to participate. There will be stories, art projects, games, music, fun and, of course, snacks. **Registration deadline is July 31st.** To register, contact Annette Haas at 732-5142; registration forms are available in our gathering places.

## Another Thought on Stewardship

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in worldly activities that you have no time for God? Stewardship is a lifestyle to be lived every day. It affects all the decisions we make. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week.

## Welcome to Fr. Joe DeCrans

Warm welcome to Fr. Joe DeCrans, who will be celebrating the weekend Masses of **July 22 & 23**. Father DeCrans is a retired priest of the Diocese of Crookston, who resides in Ada, MN. His brothers, Bob DeCrans and Dan DeCrans, are members of our parish. We are grateful to Fr. DeCrans for his services to our community. Please welcome Fr. Joe!

We are grateful to Fr. Andrew Obel for his services to our parishes this weekend. We wish him well in his ministry in Detroit Lakes, MN.

## Safe Environment Certification

A new Component C training (material and test) is now available at the diocesan website: [www.crookston.org](http://www.crookston.org) so every Adult (18 or over), Clergy, Parish staff, Volunteer, Faith Formation Teacher and Substitute who ministers to children or vulnerable adults can get the Safe Environment Certification at the earliest. Certification includes: A criminal background check, training related to recognizing and reporting child abuse and an agreement to abide by the Safe Environment Policy and Code of Conduct of the Diocese of Crookston.

Please go to: <http://www.crookston.org/offices/safeenvironment/certification> If you did last year's Safe Environment Certification, you will do the "Returning Employees or Volunteers" section. Please get certified as early as possible.

## Nevis Muskie Days Festival

Muskie Days is a Nevis tradition that you just can't miss! The Nevis Civic & Commerce Association invites you to be a part of our 67th Annual Muskie Days Music Festival on **Friday, July 28th, and Saturday, July 29th**. Access the website for a complete list and timing of activities: [www.nevischamber.com/activities.html](http://www.nevischamber.com/activities.html) ~ Nevis C&C

## Parish Monthly Calendar

Parish monthly calendars are periodically updated and made available to the parishioners on our website. You will be able to view a synchronized calendar of all our activities scheduled for the whole year by different departments and Church Associated Organizations of our parishes. If you view the calendar in "Agenda format", you will have a better view of the entire calendar. To schedule a program in the Church and its facilities, please contact the parish office at: [parishofficenevis@gmail.com](mailto:parishofficenevis@gmail.com).