

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



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July 23, 2017

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Reflection: Saints and Sinners in the Church

There have always been two views of the Church: one exclusive, the other inclusive. The exclusive view holds the Church is for good people, for the fully committed. In the inclusive view, the Church must be open to all, the hot, the cold and the lukewarm, to saints and sinners. For some, the presence of sinners in the Church is a cause of scandal.

The issue of sinners in the Church was a big one for the early Church, too. So how did they approach it? Some were for weeding sinners out. But others turned to the example of Jesus for guidance. They knew that Jesus, their Master, welcomed sinners. He declared He had come, not to call the just, but sinners to repentance. Today's parable about the field in which wheat and weeds grow together until the harvest was a response to this very question.

Human beings are complex. They can't be divided into the good and the bad. All of us are a mixture of good and bad. The people we call "good" may have terrible things in them – moods of recklessness, assertion, jealousy etc. And so called "bad" people may have good in them - sorrow, repentance, pity and sacrifice. So what should we do?

As far as ourselves are concerned, the best thing we can do is take a good look into our own field. If we find some weeds there, as no doubt we will, we should try to rid ourselves of them. As far as others are concerned, we should try to act towards them as Jesus acted. Jesus didn't weed out Judas and Peter! He saw the weeds in both of their lives, but He saw the wheat too. He knew that with encouragement the wheat would prevail. And it did!

A Church that admitted only saints would make about as much sense as a hospital that admitted only people who are well or a repair shop that accepted only things that are whole. The Church is not a museum for saints, but a school for sinners. As we clearly distinguish between good and evil, let us aim towards becoming a community that understands and tolerates as God does.

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

Saturday, 7/22 Visiting Priest: Fr. Joe DeCrans	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: Birthday Blessings on Missy Yaggie by the Kempf Family Projectionist: Jesse Clack
Sunday, 7/23 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Visiting Priest: Fr. Joe DeCrans	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 +Angela Martini by Connie Gueli and Family STC Guild Meeting Mass at OLP: For +Joe Tomas by Helen Tomas and Family Projectionist: Jeanne Thompson Hospitality after Mass
Monday, 7/24 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED		No Mass
Tuesday, 7/25	10:30 AM	No Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Money Counters: Nancy Greene, Connie Waltz & Donna Lindow
Wednesday, 7/26		No Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
Thursday, 7/27		No Mass & No Adoration at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
Friday, 7/28 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED		No Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
Saturday, 7/29 Visiting Priest: Msgr. Mike Foltz	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For Deceased Members of the Petsinger Family by Gene & Joan Blumberg Projectionist: Jesse Clack
Sunday, 7/30 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Visiting Priest: Msgr. Mike Foltz	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For +Sylvester Schmitz by Walter & Cindy Novak Mass at OLP: For +Anna Frank by the Kemp Family Projectionist: Jason Funk Hospitality after Mass
Upcoming Events	August 3 August 5 & 6 August 6 August 7 - 11 August 10 August 12 & 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 September 3 September 6 September 10 September 9 - 10	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 & 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 & 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 Labor Day Weekend: NO Hospitality served at Our Lady of the Pines, Nevis OLP Pastoral Council Meeting at Nevis at 6:30 PM Parish Day Celebrations at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Second Collection: For Church in Latin America

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, July 29, 2017	
Sacristan	Leah Pigatti
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Sounds of Faith
Lectors	Theora Goodrich, Judy Thompson & Sue Pearson
Altar Servers	Lydia Bjorklund, George Bjorklund & Adeline Bjorklund
Ushers	Ken Thompson, Tom Walz, Help Needed & Help Needed
Greeters	Judy Thompson, Maureen Waltman, Ed Waltman & Help Needed
Eucharistic Ministers	Maureen Waltman (C), Ed Waltman, LaVonne Lindow, Art Meyer & Marlene Meyer

Sunday, July 30, 2017	
Sacristan	Kevin Lindow
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantors	Don Hudson
Lectors	Carol Lindow, John Lindow & Jarod Senger
Altar Servers	Mallory Kowalke, Blake Kowalke & Miranda Kowalke
Ushers	Mike Greene, Nancy Greene, Tom Wenner & Help Needed
Greeters	Sally Froelich, Ed Froelich, Help Needed & Help Needed
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeanne Thompson (C), Ted Stallman, Cheri Stallman, Sharon Pollard & John Pollard (Mary Schiebe & Mike Van Guilder)

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, July 30, 2017	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Bonnie Conrad, Sandy Roerick & Carol Wellen
Altar Servers	Gabby Nelson, Aubree Katzenmeyer & Anna Katzenmeyer
Ushers	Gary Roerick & Ken Nelson
Greeters	Karen Copa & Donna Minikus
Eucharistic Ministers	Joe Eisterhold (C), Irene Fehn & Lisa Katzenmeyer

Stewardship Report For the Week of 7/16/2017	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$3,980.80	\$820.55
Building Maintenance Envelopes	\$5.00	\$115.00
Peter's Pence Envelopes	\$250.00	--
Candle Envelopes	\$11.00	--
Rectory Project Donation	\$20.00	--
2017 DAA Contribution (\$ as of July 18, 2017) % parish participation	\$8,345.00 (Goal: \$14,215.00) 28.30 %	\$2,972.50 (Goal: \$3,632.00) 29.73%

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 chamber website for a complete list and timing of activities: www.nevischamber.com/activities.html
~ Nevis C&C

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Ed Dvorak for being named as Hubbard County's Male Senior Volunteer of the Year! Ed will represent Hubbard County at the MN State Fair. ~ Theora Goodrich

Our Lady of Fatima Celebration

All are invited to the celebration of Our Lady of Fatima at the Shrine of Our Lady, Huot Park, on **Saturday, August 19.** The Eucharistic Procession with Hymns to our Lady will start at 7:00 AM. There will be a Recitation of the Rosary, a brief talk on the 4th Apparition, and Benediction which will conclude at 8:00 AM. Juice and rolls will be provided at the Park Shelter.

Pre-School Teaching Assistant

Sacred Heart School is seeking a full-time position in our 3-and-4-year-old-program. A degree in early childhood is preferred but not necessary. Some experience with early childhood is required with classes in the area of education. Please send your resume, letter of interest and three letters of recommendation to: Jodi Vanderheiden, Principal, Sacred Heart School, 200 3rd Street NW, East Grand Forks, MN 56721.

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, Joan Blumberg, Dorothy Pohl, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Cindy Blair, Jody Mockenhaupt, Peg Koltavy, Dorothy Goeden, Barbara Lockwood, Jan Pollack, Daryl Pollack, Barbara Dietenberger, Priscilla Dietenberger, Harold Dietenberger, Paul Mockenhaupt, Carla Wheeler.

And Another Thought on Stewardship

As children of God, we are all “good seeds,” blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God’s plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God’s kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow “good seeds” on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

Welcome to Msgr. Mike Foltz!

Msgr. Mike Foltz, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia for the Diocese, will preside at the weekend Masses of **July 29th & 30th** in our parishes. Msgr. Foltz serves as Superintendent of Sacred Heart Catholic School, East Grand Forks, and lives at Sacred Heart Rectory, EGF. We are grateful for his services to our community. Please welcome Msgr. Mike!

We are grateful to Fr. Joe DeCrans for his services to our parishes this weekend. Thank you, Father Joe!

Use the Offertory Envelopes

Our parish office would like to acknowledge every contribution and donation given to Church, Cemetery and the Church Associated Organizations like Haiti Mission or Guild. In order to send you the statement of your contribution for your tax purposes, we need your contact details. Therefore, we request all the parishioners and visitors to use the offertory envelopes that are sent to you by mail.

In case you have forgotten to bring your envelopes, or if you are a Visitor, there are visitor’s envelopes available in the pew. Please use them. Write a memo about the intention of your contribution, along with your contact information. This will help us to send you the statement of your contribution at the end of the year.

Vacation Bible School

The registration deadline is approaching! 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. Be sure to **register by July 31st**. To enroll, contact Annette Haas at 732-5142. Registration forms are available in our gathering places.

Automatic Giving

In collaboration with the Citizen’s Bank, Park Rapids, our parish has the facility for parishioners who would like to give electronically. Please consider sending your Sunday offering electronically. Signup forms are available in the Gathering Place of our Church.

A Harvest Prayer

On the day of the Harvest
the straw is set aside, the chaff is blown away by the wind,
and the weeds are consigned to the flames.
But the wheat, like sacks of gold, is gathered into the barn.

Lord, on the day of Death
the harvest of my life will be poured out before You,
wheat and chaff and weeds together.

Let Your wise hand sift through it;
Then keep what is worth keeping,
and with the breath of Your kindness,
Blow the rest away.

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

Safe Environment Certification

A new Component C training (material and test) is now available at the diocesan website: 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.

Permanent Diaconate Application Process

All men who are considering entering the next deacon formation group are encouraged to contact Deacon Mark Krejci, the formation director at mkrejci@crookston.org or 218-790-1675. The application deadline is **August 15th**. The initial class for the first year of formation (called the Aspirancy year) begins on **December 9th**. It is not too late to apply. Please contact Deacon Mark Krejci.