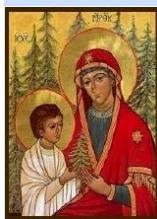


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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August 20, 2017

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday Reflection: Great Faith

**LET YOUR
FAITH
BE BIGGER
THAN YOUR
FEARS**

In today's gospel Jesus speaks openly to a pagan woman, who asks him to cure her daughter. At first Jesus seems to refuse, saying, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman persists noting that even dogs feed on the crumbs from the master's table.

The woman in the story teaches us a few truths about our faith and prayer. The first thing she teaches us is persistence. Her persistence is recognized by Jesus. This is an important lesson when all of us struggle. Are we persistent? Sometimes the sheer persistence can be the prayer, the good work and the spiritual discipline.

The second thing we can learn from this woman is the need for clear focus. When Jesus spoke to her in language that demeaned her people, she did not lose her cool but kept her eyes on the goal of her mission, which was to show that even non-Jews are entitled to God's blessings in Christ.

The third thing we learn from this woman is courage. Being a foreigner and as a woman, it took great courage on her part to approach the all-Jewish and all-male company of Jesus and his disciples. She was unafraid to challenge prejudice and falsity even in religious places. Jesus recognizing her deep faith and humility says, "Let it be done to you as you wish."

Sometimes you hear people say "Ah, it's easy for you; you have great faith." Faith doesn't always make things easier. The opposite is sometimes the case. Faith impels us to persevere, to struggle on, with no guarantee of a happy ending. Faith calls for humility, courage, perseverance and above all love. The nameless Gentile woman is an example of that tough faith we all need at times. But she is also a great example of love. Jesus could just as well say to her: "Woman, you have great love. Be it done for you as you desire."

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.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

<p>Saturday, 8/19 Diocesan Summer Appeal 2017</p>	<p>4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For the Intentions of the Barnes Family by Marlene Henry Projectionist: Jesse Clack</p>
<p>Sunday, 8/20 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Diocesan Summer Appeal 2017</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:45 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For the Members of Our Parishes Mass at OLP: Wedding Anniversary Blessings on Richard & Clare Elles by Mary Kempf Projectionist: Anna Hudson Hospitality after Mass OLP Guild Meeting</p>
<p>Monday, 8/21 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>		<p>No Mass Pastor's Day off</p>
<p>Tuesday, 8/22</p>	<p>Noon 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For a special Intention of Sophie and Emily Kempf by Mary Kempf Money Counters: Nancy Green, Doug Scrapper & Mary Schiebe</p>
<p>Wednesday, 8/23</p>	<p>9:00 AM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For +Alice and Ambrose Berenz by Walter & Renee Johnson</p>
<p>Thursday, 8/24</p>	<p>9:00 AM 3:00 PM 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For +Joe Tomas by Helen Tomas and Family STC Church Council Meeting OLP Choir Practice for Confirmation</p>
<p>Friday, 8/25 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: Birthday Blessings on Joan Schraufek by Mary Kempf Eucharistic Adoration</p>
<p>Saturday, 8/26</p>	<p>2:00 PM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p>OLP Confirmation Rehearsal Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For the Deceased Members of the Blumberg Family by Gene & Joan Blumberg Projectionist: Jeanne Thompson</p>
<p>Sunday, 8/27 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For +Jo-Ann O'Connell by John & Jackie Duff Confirmation Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes Projectionist: Anna Hudson Hospitality after Mass</p>
<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<p>September 2 - 3 September 3 September 3 September 6 September 9-10 September 10 September 10 September 10 September 13 September 14 September 16 September 16-17 September 16-17 September 17 September 19 September 19 September 20 September 21</p>	<p>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 Second Collection: For the Church in Latin America Our Lady of the Pines Parish Day Celebrations: No Hospitality after Mass Nevis Parish Rectory Blessing by Bishop Hoepfner 12 noon Open House at New Rectory at 601 Pleasant St. Nevis from 12.00 to 1:30 PM. STC Guild Meeting at 7:00 PM STC Faith Formation Teachers Meeting at 3:30 PM Fall Highway Cleanup at 8:30 AM Monthly Birthday & Anniversary Celebration after Mass at OLP Catechetical Sunday: Faith Formation Teachers commissioned during Masses St. Theodore's Parish Day Celebrations St. Theodore's Parish Day Brunch and Bingo at 9:30 AM Knights of Columbus General Meeting at 7:00 PM OLP Faith Formation Meeting at 6:30 PM Haiti Mission Committee Meeting at 7:00 PM</p>

Reminder for Liturgical Ministers

If you are not able to serve when you are scheduled, please notify the Parish Office by email at parishoffice@stthedeore.com.

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, August 26, 2017

Sacristan	Judy Thompson
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Carol Lindow & Fred Tomas
Lectors	Jeanne Thompson, Connie Walz & LaVonne Lindow
Altar Servers	Molly Lindow, Megan Lindow & Eli Lindow
Ushers	Mark Carter, Bob Lindow, Ed Dvorak & John Kramer
Greeters	Dolores Dvorak, Richard Daniels, Cecilia Daniels & Florence Kramer
Eucharistic Ministers	Lee Hammer (C), Shari Hammer, Rita Schuldt, Jarod Senger & Judy Thompson

Sunday, August 27, 2017

Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson & Ardis Johnson
Cantors	OLP Choir
Lectors	Mike DeWulf, Dustin Wroolie & Dennis Marcussen
Altar Servers	Emily Funk, Grace McNamee & Liddy DeWulf
Ushers	Mike Green, Tom Wenner, Jim Warner & Gino Hebzynski
Greeters	Mary DeCrans, Ted Stallman, Cheri Stallman & Cheryl Van Guilder
Eucharistic Ministers	Kevin Lindow (C), Priest, Ronda DeWulf, Holly Funk, Nancy Greene (Bob DeCrans & Kay Marcussen)

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, August 27, 2017

Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Angie Jobe
Cantor	Sharon Lembke
Lectors	Kevin Warne, Bonnie Conrad & Charlotte Rauch
Altar Servers	Gabby Nelson, Caine Richardson & Abbey Richardson
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 8/13/2017	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$3,692.60	\$787.27
Rectory Project	\$2,825.00	--
Candle Envelopes	\$15.00	--
Laporte Food Shelf	--	\$25.00
Fuel Envelopes	\$80.00	--

2017 DAA Contribution (\$ as of July 31, 2017) % parish participation	\$8,428.00 (Goal: \$14,215.00) 28.77%	\$3,006.00 (Goal: \$3,632.00) 29.33%
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Diocesan Summer Appeal 2017

This weekend, **August 19 & 20**, the DAA Summer Appeal collection will take place. Parishioners and visitors who did not have an opportunity to contribute, will now have the opportunity to support the diocesan ministries in Crookston. DAA summer envelopes are available in your pews and the gathering place. Please help us achieve our parish goal!

Our Lady of the Pines Guild Update

The OLP Guild meeting will be held on **Sunday, August 20th** soon after the Mass. Please attend as we need Hospitality chairpersons. The Guild is also in need of a Treasurer. On **Sunday, August 27th**, the Guild will be hosting a breakfast for the Bishop, Confirmands, parishioners and visitors. Please call Felicia at 699-3229, if you are available to help with the breakfast, Hospitality or as Treasurer. Thank you. ~Felicia Cizek

A Walk to Remember

A Walk to Remember will be held on **August 23** at the Walker City Park. Registration starts at 9:00 AM. There will be food, games, music, and a silent auction. Proceeds go to Alzheimer's Association & ACT on Alzheimer's Walker. ~Amy Pyburn

Support the Vocations and Seminarians Educations Through the Diocesan Summer Appeal on August 19 & 20

OLP Monthly Assignments: August 2017

Hospitality Ministers	Deb King, Marlene Meyer, Susan Pearson, Cheri Stallman, Gail Kalla, Shari Hammer
Altar Linen	Julie Pidde

Prayer Requests

Dan Hedrick, Dennis Schafer, Kathy Quinn, Jean Dryness, Sandy Johnson, Larry Yunker, Thomas Roberts, Jenny Avenson, Sue Joerger, John Carter, Art Meyer, Lance Sorenson, Janet Ramlet, Joan Blumberg, Dorothy Pohl, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Jody Mockenhaupt, Peg Koktavy, Dorothy Goeden, Barbara Lockwood, Jan Pollack, Daryl Pollack, Carla Wheeler, Barbara Dietenberger, Priscilla Dietenberger, Harold Dietenberger, Paul 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.

Confirmation Rehearsal: August 26, 2017

The Confirmation Rehearsal will take place on **Saturday, August 26 at 2:00 PM** at the Church. We ask the Candidates and their sponsors to be present. We are grateful to God that 14 of our young men and women will be confirmed by Bishop Michael Hoepfner on Sunday, August 27 during the 10:30 AM Mass.

Cursillo Weekends

Some of our parishioners have attended Cursillo weekends over the years and give great testimony to the power of such weekends. Cursillo is pronounced KER-SEE-O meaning, a short course in Christianity. Weekends are being offered this fall and next spring at Sand Hill Bible Camp, just south of Fosston. The weekend starts Thursday evening and ends Sunday afternoon. The weekends include quiet time, inspirational talks, and most importantly, time to be with Jesus without the many distractions of daily life.

The Men's weekend will be held **September 28 - October 1**. The Women's will be **October 26-29**. If these dates do not work into your schedule there will also be weekends available next spring. The Men's will be held **February 22-25, 2018** and the Women's will be **March 15-18, 2018**. Contact Carol Olsonawski (218-689-9081) or Bobbi Mercil (701-866-5706) for more information.

Parish Bulletin News

We request that our parishioners and the Chairpersons of our Church-Associated Organization send your bulletin news items electronically to parishofficenevis@gmail.com. The deadline for publication is **Tuesday**. We would appreciate receiving your news items at least 2 weeks in advance of the scheduled event. We look forward to working with you to communicate your news.

Catholic Quiz: How Many Can You Answer?

- 1) At what celebration is the oil blessed for Confirmation?
- 2) What sacrament is symbolized by water and a candle?
- 3) What term is given to Blessed Virgin Mary's freedom from Original Sin?
- 4) What is the place of purification after death?
- 5) For what gift did Solomon once pray?

Answers at the bottom of this page on the right.

Call for Teachers & Substitutes!

We invite the parents and grandparents to help us teach our children and youth in our youth Faith Formation programs. Together, we can all obtain a better understanding of our Catholic Faith. You don't need to know all the answers! You just need an open heart and desire to help our kids grow in their relationships with Christ. If you can give some time either as a teacher or as a substitute, please contact Mary Schiebe at: olpfaithform@gmail.com.

Do It Anyway!

People are often unreasonable, irrational and self-centered. **Forgive them anyway.**

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. **Be kind anyway.**

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. **Succeed anyway.**

If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. **Be honest and sincere anyway.**

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. **Create anyway.**

If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. **Be happy anyway.**

The good you do today, will often be forgotten. **Do good anyway.**

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. **Give your best anyway.**

In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

~ Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Diocese on the Social Media

We are spreading the Good News! The Diocese of Crookston will join Facebook, Twitter and Instagram in mid-August! Watch these platforms for @DioCrookston to launch.

The Diocesan News paper, OND is now online! Visit www.crookston.org/ond for local news stories, columns of commentary and photos from diocesan events. Be sure to follow OND on Facebook and Twitter @ONDioocese to share the Good News!

Mass with Healing Prayer

The "Proclaimers of Christ" Charismatic Prayer Group of Walker is hosting a Mass with healing prayer on **Tuesday, August 22, 2017, at 7:00 PM** at St. Agnes Church. Priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation starting at 6:15 PM.

This Prayer Group meets at **7:00 PM**, every **2nd Thursday** of the month at Sacred Heart Church in Hackensack, and every **4th Thursday** of the Month at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Walker
~Nancy Stehr

Sympathy

Our Lady of the Pines Parish Community expresses its sympathy to Jerome Biessener at the death of his sister + **Kay Menge** who died on July 13th. May she rest in peace!

Catholic Quiz: Answers

- 1) The Chrism Mass;
- 2) Baptism;
- 3) The Immaculate Conception;
- 4) Purgatory;
- 5) An understanding heart