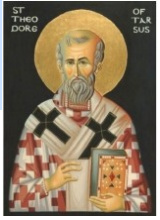


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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October 8, 2017

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bishop Heoppner's Press Release

I want to bring you up to date regarding the lawsuit filed against me and the Diocese of Crookston by Mr. Ronald Vasek. You can read elsewhere in this edition of the OND my official statement regarding a settlement of the claims raised against me personally, but I want to comment on that statement here. Let me first reiterate what that statement says: the settlement agreement does not constitute any admission of unlawful conduct or wrongdoing on my part. I, your bishop, deny that I forced, coerced or encouraged Mr. Vasek to not pursue making allegations against Msgr. Grundhaus. I want you to know that I signed the settlement agreement so we could avoid a long, drawn out legal process and to avoid costly attorney fees. No diocesan funds were used in this settlement agreement; our diocesan insurance provider has covered the claims involved.

It was in 2011 that Mr. Vasek first asked to see me. When I met with him, he told me his story alleging that Msgr. Roger Grundhaus had tried to inappropriately touch him in 1971. I asked if there was anything the Diocese could do to help him and he told me no, saying that he was doing fine. I asked if he wanted to make an official, public accusation against Msgr. Grundhaus by contacting our Vicar General, who, according to our diocesan policy, is "responsible for receiving all complaints of sexual abuse by a cleric." Mr. Vasek told me he absolutely did not want to do this as his wife, his son, and his family did not know anything about this past alleged incident and that Msgr. Grundhaus remains a family friend. I told him I would respect his wishes and his right to keep this matter confidential as he asked. I did not pressure Mr. Vasek to remain silent about this matter.

I met a second time with Mr. Vasek about this matter in October 2015. We had been informed by a neighboring diocese that Msgr. Grundhaus' name would not be included on their list of priests who could do coverage in that diocese because Mr. Vasek had talked to a priest of that diocese about the alleged incident. I wondered if Mr. Vasek, at that time, wanted to make an official accusation/complaint. At the end of our conversation that day, I thought it prudent to have in writing a statement from Mr. Vasek that he still did not want to make an official accusation by contacting our Vicar General. I put together a statement for him to sign expressing his free intent and desire not to make an official accusation: "I, Ron Vasek, regarding a trip I was on when I was 16 years old, and on which a priest of the Diocese of Crookston was also participating, clearly and freely state that I have no desire to nor do I make any accusation of sexual impropriety by the priest toward me." Mr. Vasek signed the statement and dated it: October 21, 2015.

Looking back and knowing what I know now, I believe I would have handled my conversations with Mr. Vasek differently. However, please know that I did not pressure Mr. Vasek to sign this statement or to make any decision with which he was not comfortable. It has also been reported that I threatened not to ordain Mr. Vasek to be a Permanent Deacon. In fact, I met with Mr. Vasek and his wife in April of this year, and I told Mr. Vasek that I would ordain him. It was Mr. Vasek's own decision not to be ordained with his class, a decision I only heard about later.

The judge has taken under consideration the motion for dismissal of the remaining counts against the Diocese of Crookston. Again, while we are dealing with this matter, I ask, please pray daily for a fair, just, and timely resolve to this matter. Join me in making each Friday a day of fasting and abstinence from eating meat as a sign that we know our most important sustenance comes from our loving God.

~ Bishop Michael Hoeppner

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

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

<p>Saturday, 10/7</p>	<p>11:00 AM - 1:00 PM 2:30 PM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p>Harvest Sale at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Wedding Ceremony of S. Kalla & C. Arvik at OLP Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Recitation of the Rosary: Joan McGuire Mass at OLP: For +Mike Duclos by Doug & Lillian Aird Projectionist: Anna Hudson Monthly Birthday & Anniversary Celebration after Mass</p>
<p>Sunday, 10/8</p> <p>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>CLOW</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:10 AM 8:30 AM 10:10 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Recitation of the Rosary: Bonnie Conrad Mass at STC: For the Members of our Parishes Recitation of the Rosary: Mary DeCrans Mass at OLP: For +Lucy Carlson by Linda K. Theis CLOW Leader: Lisa Kriens Projectionist: Anna Hudson Monthly Birthday & Anniversary Celebration and Hospitality after Mass</p>
<p>Monday, 10/9 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>		<p>No Mass Pastor's Day Off</p>
<p>Tuesday, 10/10</p>	<p>Noon 10:30 AM 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For + Angela Martini by Connie Gueli and Family Money Counters: Terry Lenz, Catherine Lenz & Sue Joerger OLP Cemetery Committee Meeting in the Community Room, Nevis</p>
<p>Wednesday, 10/11</p>	<p>9:00 AM Noon - 2:00 PM Noon - 3:00 PM 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For the Intentions of Lisa and Steve Andrew by Walter & Renee Johnson Faith Formation Classes begins for Laporte School Release Time Students Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students Faith Formation Class for Pre-Confirmation & Confirmation Years</p>
<p>Thursday, 10/12</p>	<p>9:00 AM 10:00 AM 2:30 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For + Marvin Haney by Mary Kempf OLP Finance Council Meeting in the Community Room, Nevis RCIA Class at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</p>
<p>Friday, 10/13 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For the Intentions of Karyn Barnes by John & Anita Barnes Eucharistic Adoration</p>
<p>Saturday, 10/14</p>	<p>4:15 - 4:45 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Recitation of the Rosary: Cathy Krause Mass at OLP: For + Pat Hermes by Bob & Donna Lindow Projectionist: Darin Kowalke</p>
<p>Sunday, 10/15</p> <p>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>STC Altar Server's Appreciation Day</p> <p>CLOW</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:10 AM 8:30 AM 10:10 AM 10:30 AM 11:45 PM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Recitation of the Rosary: Sandy Roerick Mass at STC: For + Jo-Ann O'Connell by John and Jackie Duff Recitation of the Rosary: John Lindow Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes CLOW Leader: Lisa Kriens Projectionist: Anna Hudson OLP Guild Meeting in the Community Room, Nevis</p>
<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<p>October 17 October 18 October 18 October 19 October 19 October 20 October 21</p>	<p>KC General Meeting at 7:00 PM OLP Release Time Faith Formation Classes from Noon to 3:00 PM NO Classes for Pre-Confirmation & Confirmation Students RCIA Program at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 2:30 PM Haiti Mission Committee Meeting at 7:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal of K. Holthaus & Philip Marks at 4:00 PM Wedding Mass: for Kali Holthaus & Philip Marks at 2:00 PM</p>

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, October 14 2017	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantors	Connie Walz
Lectors	Jeanette Goehring, Theora Goodrich & Help Needed
Altar Servers	Mallory Kowalke, Blake Kowalke & Miranda Kowalke
Ushers	Ken Thompson & Don Dierkhising
Greeters	Theora Goodrich & Judy Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers	Maureen Waltman (C), Ed Waltman, Judy Thompson, Jarod Senger & Help Needed

Sunday, October 15, 2017	
Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantors	Don Hudson
Lectors	Mary Shiebe, Holly Funk & Sheldon Schiebe
Altar Servers	Liddy DeWulf, Addison Lindow & Daniel Lindow
Ushers	Jason Funk, Stephen Lindow, Jim Warner & Gino Hebzynski
Greeters	Nancy Greene & Carol Lindow
Eucharistic Ministers	Kevin Lindow (C), Ronda DeWulf, Lee Hammer, Shari Hammer & Anna Hudson

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, October 15, 2017	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Sandy Roerick, Irene Fehn & Joe Eisterhold
Altar Servers	Abbiey Richardson, Caine Richardson & Gabby Nelson
Ushers	John Duff & Roger Rudbeck
Greeters	Donna Minikus & Charlotte Rauch
Eucharistic Ministers	Charlotte Rauch (C), Marcel Noyes & Mary Leyendecker

Reminder for Liturgical Ministers
If you are not able to serve when you are scheduled, please notify the Parish Office by email at parishofficenevis@gmail.com.

Stewardship Report For the Week of 10/01/2017	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$3292.00	\$897.95
Second Collection: For Laporte Food Shelf	--	231.00
Hurricane Irma Relief	\$80.00	\$120.00
Candle Envelopes	\$12.00	--
Rectory Fund	\$210.00	--
Building Maint. Envelopes	70.00	--

2017 DAA Contribution (\$ as of September 15, 2017) % parish participation	\$11,375.00 (Goal: \$14,215.00) 37.18%	\$3,899.50 (Goal: \$3,632.00) 37.18%
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Thank you and Welcome
Our sincere thanks go to **Anna Hudson** who served our community as Pastoral Assistant of our parishes in the past months. Mrs. Hudson took care of the Altar Servers, managed our Evangelization Office, edited weekly bulletins and helped in our Rectory Project along with her husband, Don Hudson. We are grateful for all her services, as she retires from her position.
We warmly welcome **Mary Schiebe** to the Office of Evangelization. Mrs. Schiebe is available in the office on **Wednesdays from 12 noon to 8:00 PM**, coordinating our Faith Formation Program. Thank you Mary, for your willingness to serve our community.

Remembrance Ceremony
In Memory of Our Little Angels Gone Too Soon
Join us for the 1st annual Remembrance Ceremony for parents, family, friends and professionals who have been affected by perinatal loss, such as miscarriage, stillbirth, SIDS and the death of a newborn. This ceremony includes a memorial service with music, readings, a balloon release, fellowship and refreshments. The ceremony will be held at CHI St. Joseph's Health Chapel, 600 Pleasant Ave in Park Rapids on **Sunday October 15th, 3:00 - 4:00 PM.**
~Betsy Meyer

OLP Monthly Assignments: October 2017	
Hospitality Ministers	Diane Yamry, Sally Froelich, Jan Lundberg, Rose Kramer, Mary Jo Maslowski, Lori Griffith, Brenda Nulliner
Altar Linen	Mary DeCrans

Prayer Requests
Ken Thompson, Trent Cole, Nancy Greene, Laurie Elsner, Jan Lundberg, John Merila, Dan Hedrick, Dennis Schafer, Kathy Quinn, Jean Dryness, Larry Yunker, Thomas Roberts, Jenny Avenson, Sue Joerger, John Carter, Art Meyer, Lance Sorenson, Daryl Pollack, Janet Ramlet, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Jody Mockenhaupt, Peg Koktavy, Dorothy Goeden, Barbara Lockwood, Jan 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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Do you like to knit or crochet? If you do, our Prayer Shawl ministry team would love to have you join us. Prayer shawls are hand-made and are blessed at the Mass of the Anointing of the Sick during Advent and Lent. The shawls are a reminder of God's love and given to parishioners who are facing serious illnesses and personal losses of many kinds to reassure them they are not alone.

The OLP - STC Prayer Shawl Ministry was formed two years ago. 35 shawls have been given to parishioners, family and friends who needs to feel a special touch from God. If you would like a shawl, or know someone who would, contact Anna Hudson or Father Tony. ~Anna Hudson

Annual Fall Dinner

St. Mary's Church of Two Inlets will be having their annual fall dinner and silent auction at the American Legion on **Saturday, October 14, 2017 from 4:30 – 7:30 PM**, serving Roast Beef and Pork, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, and all the trimmings, along with homemade pies and Desserts. Adults \$10, Children 12 and under \$5 and Pre-school free. All are welcome. ~ Rose Higgins

Faith Formation Resources

Have you visited www.formed.org? On the right hand side of the home page you will find: REGISTER, using your parish code for free. Our parish code is: **KRRFWT**. Children, youth and adults can study our Christian faith, prepare for Sacraments, and reflect on current topics. You can watch numerous movies, listen to audio books and talks and read fiction and non-fiction books online.

Join us praying the Rosary 20 minutes before the celebration of the weekend Masses in our parishes.

Rosary for Fatima Centennial

Please join us in praying the Rosary, honoring 100 Years of the Miracle of the Sun, the day the sun danced, that happened in Fatima, Portugal, on October 13, 1917. We will meet at the corners of Highway 71 & 34 at Nick's Conoco at **11:45 AM, Saturday, October 14th**. For more information contact Rose Williams at 732-5533 or Mary Schiebe at 255-3601. ~ Rose Williams

St. Theodore's Harvest Sale & Luncheon

The Guild of St. Theodore's Catholic Church in Laporte will have its Harvest Sale & Luncheon on **Saturday, October 7, from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**. Come and enjoy the homemade soups, sandwiches, bars and coffee. The charge for adults and students is \$5. Children 5 and under are free. If you just want a bar and coffee, that's only \$2. And be sure to check out the Guild's crafts, baked goods, home canned goods, fresh produce and much more. All proceeds go towards local charities and the needs of the church. All are welcome! ~ Colleen Curran

Life and Dignity Weekend: October 28-29, 2017

Bishop Hoepfner is encouraging all parishes in the Diocese of Crookston to focus attention on our civic responsibilities as Catholics and to provide parishioners with the opportunity to register for the Minnesota Catholic Conference (MCC) Catholic Advocacy Network. The network aims to be a "Voice for Life and Dignity in Minnesota," helping us to consider issues in Minnesota through a solidly Catholic, nonpartisan lens while also providing concrete opportunities to make a difference.

Next weekend, there will be an insert that explains the network and *Life and Dignity Sunday* Registration Day in our parish. Please read it and then prayerfully consider registering for the **MCC Catholic Advocacy Network on October 28-29th**. There is absolutely no cost to join

OLP Guild Meeting

OLP Guild meeting will be held after mass at 11:45 AM on **Sunday, October 15th**. A special thank you to the guild members for all of their help with the community dinner. We served approximately 120. ~ Felicia Cizek

RCIA Program

We ask you to recommend RCIA Program to those you believe (family members, friends and acquaintances) would be interested in joining our parish family. If you know of anyone of another faith who is spiritually searching or of a Catholic who has not yet received the sacraments of baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist, please invite him or her to join RCIA Program. We intend to begin RCIA sessions soon. For further information, please contact the Faith Formation Coordinator at 218-652-4005.

Diocesan Newspaper OND

The Diocesan Newspaper, OND is now online! Visit www.crookston.org/ond for local news stories, columns of commentary and photos from diocesan events. You can see now Our Lady of the Pines celebration of Confirmation and other parish events online! Please visit: www.crookston.org/milestones

Bemidji Area Pro-life Opportunities

October is also known as Respect Life Month. In Bemidji, a monthly prayer hour at Planned Parenthood of Bemidji (2504 Hannah Ave NW) will be held on **Saturday, October 21, 2017, from 10-11 AM**. All are welcome.

40 Days for Life – Walker Campaign

Join us at "Charlie's Up North", 4 miles north of Walker at the "Y" to quietly, but visibly pray that God will change minds and hearts to preserve lives of the unborn. White Prayer Tent is open 24/7 for visitors. A book is available in the tent to schedule hours to pray. Contact us at 40dayswalker@gmail.com ~ Mary and Carol Hartneck