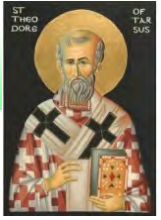


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus

Catholic Churches



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Parish Secretary	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
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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

28 January, 2018

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Presentation of Our Lord

The feast of the Presentation of Our Lord commemorates the "presentation" of Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem. "When the days were completed for their purification, Joseph and Mary brought their firstborn son for the ritual dedication to God, as required by the Jewish law". And so, the presentation is a story about faithfulness. But not the faithfulness of just Mary and Joseph. It is about also the patient fidelity of two other people in the story: Simeon and Anna.

Simeon and Anna are usually depicted as elderly. Simeon has been promised that he will see the Messiah before his death, and so he waits patiently. Anna prays constantly in the Temple. Simeon waits and Anna prays. What wonderful models of faithfulness for all of us. As we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord on coming **Friday, February 2**, let us imagine Simeon asking us, "what is worth waiting for?" We might hear Anna asking us, "what is worth praying for?"

Blessing of the Throat on the Feast day of St. Blasé

Many Catholics might remember Saint Blaise's feast day, **February 3**, because of the Blessing of the Throats that takes place on this day. Two candles are blessed, held slightly open, and pressed against the throat as the blessing is said. Blessing of the Throats will take place at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis soon after **Saturday evening Mass**. You are invited to join us. If you are not able to make it, here is a prayer in honor of St. Blasé you can use:

"O God, deliver us through the intercession of Thy holy bishop and martyr Blasé, from all evil of soul and body, especially from all ills of the throat; and grant us the grace to make a good confession in the confident hope of obtaining Thy pardon, and ever to praise with worthy lips Thy most holy name. Through Christ our Lord". Amen.

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, 01/27 Cross Catholic Mission Appeal	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For + Jan Przybylski by Bob and Donna Lindow
Sunday, 01/28 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Cross Catholic Mission Appeal	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Ray Copa by Karen Copa Mass at OLP: For + Don Doc Carlson by Val and Brian Slettum CLOW Leaders: Ronda DeWulf & Liddy DeWulf
Monday, 01/29 PARISH OFFICE CLOSD		No Mass Pastor's Day Off
Tuesday, 01/30	12:00 Noon 10:30 AM	Mass at OLP: For the Intentions of Walter Johnson by Renee Johnson Money Counters: Doug Scraper, Connie Walz & Arlene Biessener
Wednesday, 01/31	9:00 AM Noon - 3:00 PM 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Mass at OLP: Blessings on Missy Yaggie by Mary Kempf Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students Evening Classes for Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Students, Nevis
Thursday, 02/01	10:00 AM 9:00 AM 5:00 PM	OLP Finance Council Meeting in the Community Room Mass at OLP: For + Laverna Schulte by Connie & Tom Walz Diocesan Annual Appeal Kick-off Program in Crookston
Friday, 02/02 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord	9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM	Mass at OLP: Death Anniversary Remembrance of +Mike Duclos by Ed and Dee Dvorak Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday, 02/03	4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For the Good Health of Ed Dvorak by Theora Goodrich Blessing of the Throats at the end of the Mass
Sunday, 02/04 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time STC 2nd Collection: For Laporte Food Shelf	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:15 - 10:15 AM 10:30 AM 11:45 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Rosemary Moss by Elizabeth Baurquin First Holy Communion Classes at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For the members of our parishes CLOW Leader: Lisa Kriens OLP Liturgy Committee Meeting in the Community Room.
Upcoming Events	February 05 - 09 February 07 February 07 February 11 February 11 February 14 February 14 February 14 February 14 February 15 February 16 February 16 February 18 February 20 February 21 February 21	Good Leader & Good Shepherd Program for Priests of Crookston Diocese Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Students 12.00 - 3:00 PM FF Classes for Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Students 6:30 - 7:30 PM Signup for Lenten Bible Study Haiti Mission Fundraiser: Valentine Day Dinner Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Theodore's Church at 12:30 PM , followed by Lenten Soup Lunch. Laporte School Release Students join the Mass. Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Students 12.00 - 3:00 PM Ash Wednesday Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 6:00 PM , followed by Lenten Soup Supper. Confirmation & Pre-Confirmation Students join the As Wednesday Mass St. Theodore's Church Council Meeting at 3:30 PM in Laporte. Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 9:30 AM Stations of the Cross at St. Theodore's Church at 12 Noon Signup for Lenten Bible Study KC General Meeting Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Students 12.00 - 3:00 PM FF Classes for Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Students 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, February 03, 2018	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Connie Walz
Lectors	Jarod Senger, Jeanette Goehring & Help Needed
Altar Servers	Joey Senger, Johnny Senger & Jude Senger
Ushers	Mark Carter & Don Dierkhising
Greeters	Dee Dvorak & Donna Lindow
Eucharistic Ministers	Theora Goodrich (C), Pat Dietenberger & Bob Lindow

Sunday, February 04, 2018	
Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantors	Rita Schuldt & Margo Bernardy
Lectors	Mike DeWulf, Bob DeCrans & Help Needed
Altar Servers	Addison Lindow, Daniel Lindow & Grace McNamee
Ushers	Ed DeLaHunt, Chuck Tangeman, Bob DeCrans & Mike Van Guilder
Greeters	Mary DeCrans & Karie Lindow
Eucharistic Ministers	John Lindow (C), Doug Scaper, Ronda DeWulf, Mary DeCrans & Carol Lindow

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, February 04, 2018	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Angie Jobe
Cantor	Sharon Lembke
Lectors	Bonnie Conrad, Joe Eisterhold & Sandy Roerick
Altar Servers	Abbey Richardson, Gabby Nelson & Caine Richardson
Ushers	John Duff & Ken Nelson
Greeters	Charlotte Rauch & Donna Minikus
Eucharistic Ministers	Marcel Noyes (C), Jackie Duff & Carol Wellen

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 01/21/2018	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$1544.30	\$497.00
2nd Collection: For Church in Africa	\$672.00	\$124.00
Candle Envelopes	\$8.00	--
Rectory Project Contributions	\$25.00	--

Capitol 101
The Minnesota Catholic Conference has started a new initiative called "Capitol 101". Capitol 101 is a day to meet at the Capitol to learn about important issues, hear from Minnesota legislators, and pray for the state of Minnesota. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet with their state Senator and Representative. Registration ahead of time is required, and each event has a limited number of spots. Arrangements are being made to attend Capitol 101 on either **Friday March 16th** or **Tuesday April 17th**. If you are interested, please contact John Lindow at 218-652-0321.

Director of Youth Ministry and Catechesis
The Diocese of Crookston is seeking a full time Director of the Office of Youth Ministry and Catechesis. This office serves the pastors, parish youth ministers and parish directors of religious education and formation. The candidate is a voice in the diocese for young people. The candidate will coordinate diocesan youth activities (camps, rallies, trainings, etc.) with the assistance of parish employees and volunteers. The candidate will also conduct training sessions for catechesis in parishes. Applicants should have education and experience in the areas of youth ministry and religious education. The qualifying candidate needs to be a practicing Catholic who has an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church and the desire to promote them. Send resume and references to: Msgr. Mike Foltz, Diocese of Crookston, P. O. Box 610, Crookston, MN. 56716 or email: mfoltz@crookston.org Interviews begin by **March 1st**.

OLP Monthly Assignments: February 2018	
Hospitality Ministers	Lisa Kriens (C), Theresa Leyh, Connie Walz, Wendy Bjorklund, Theora Goodrich, Molly Senger
Altar Linen	Mary DeCrans

Prayer Requests
Catherine Lenz, Earl Erion, Marie Hassler, Irene Fehn, Jerry Amundson, Jack and Kathy Roberts, Shawn Karl, Sue Joerger, George Noyes, Greg Carter, Trent Cole, Jan Lundberg, Dennis Schafer, Jean Dryness, Larry Yunker, Janet Ramlet, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Peg Koltavy, Dorothy Goeden, 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.

Personhood and its Definition

If you look up the word "person" in your average dictionary, you will find something like this: "Person is a human being." Three times in modern history the word "person" has been redefined:

- ◆ **1857:** The U.S. Supreme Court declares that African Americans are not legal persons. They are the "property" of their owners.
- ◆ **1936:** The German Supreme Court, the *Reichsgericht*, refuses to recognize Jews living in Germany as persons. Genocide becomes legal.
- ◆ **1973:** The U.S. Supreme Court rules that the unborn are not persons in the legal sense; they have no civil or human rights. The unborn are the "property" of the mother. Justice Henry Blackmon in *Roe v. Wade* declared that the word person as used in the 14th Amendment does not include the unborn.

With modern science, it is now straightforward to prove that the unborn child is a human being: "After fertilization has taken place a new human being has come into being. It is no longer a matter of taste or opinion...it is plain experimental evidence. Each individual has a very neat beginning, at conception," says Dr. Jerome Lejeune, the "Father of Modern Genetics".

Real Presence Radio Fundraiser

Real Presence Radio will host Teresa Tomeo as keynote speaker at their annual fundraising banquet on **Monday, February 26th** in Fargo. Teresa began her career in secular media, but despite her success, she recognized something was missing. Through a series of events, she came back to Christ and the Church.

Teresa will share how she learned to tune into the signals God was sending her and how to follow His will for her life, leading to a communications career much different than the one she had planned for herself. For more information about the event, or to become a sponsor, host a table, or register to attend as a guest, please call (877) 795-0122 or email jessica@yourcatholicradiostation.com!

Cursillo Weekends

Cursillo weekends are being offered at Sand Hill Bible Camp, just south of Fosston. It 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 will be held **February 22-25**. The Women's will be **March 15-18**. Contact Carol Olsonawski (218-689-9081) or Bobbi Mercil (701-866-5706) for more information. Applications can be printed at crookstoncursillo.weebly.com

Welcome to Fr. Nghia Cao!

We welcome Father Nghia Cao who is speaking this weekend at all Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priest and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America to uplift the poor.

Father Cao is a Redemptorist priest of the Denver Province. In the mountainous regions of Sapa, North Vietnam, he served as a missionary to the impoverished Hmong people for 7 years. Currently he is assigned to the Kansas City, MO Redemptorist Liguorian Magazine and parish missions. Welcome, Fr. Cao!

Faith Formation News

- ◆ **Youth Program:** On **Wednesday, January 31st** the Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation youth will meet at the Nevis Skating Rink/Sliding Hill for a youth program that begins at **5:45 PM**. You will have an evening of outdoor fun. Bring skates and sleds. You can also bring hockey sticks. Come straight to Nevis Skating Rink. We are grateful to the parents who will be serving the youth Pizza and hot chocolate in the warming house.
- ◆ **It's not too late:** There are two TEC Retreats that are happening soon! The first one is **Feb. 17-19th** at St. Joseph's Church in Moorhead, and the second one is **March 10-12th** at Sand Hill Bible Camp. Anyone from sophomore's in high school to adults can attend. You'll meet people from across the Diocese of Crookston and participate in small group discussions, activities, liturgies and prayer experiences. Plus there's a ton of great food and fun! You can register online at www.agassizvalleytec.com or contact JoLynn at the parish office for a registration form. ~ Mary Schiebe

Sympathy

St. Theodore's parish community extends its sympathy and condolences to Donna Minikus and her family at the death of her mother + **Mary Minikus** on January 6th. May God grant her eternal rest!

National Marriage Week: Feb. 7-14

The USCCB annually sponsors National Marriage Week from **February 7 to 14** in conjunction with the universal Church, World Marriage Day on **Feb. 11th**. An extensive collection of resources for couples who are married or preparing for marriage can be found at ForYourMarriage.org. The site also runs Facebook pages, which will provide daily content during National Marriage Week at: facebook.com/foryourmarriage. Visit USCCB website: usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/index.cfm for more resources on Marriage and family life.