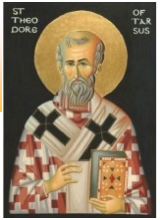


# Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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Parish Office Hours	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Parish Secretary	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Faith Formation Coordinator	- -	12:00 PM - 8:00 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

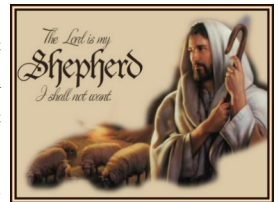
**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturdays 4:15-4:45 PM at OLP  
Sundays 8:00 AM at St. Theodore's

April 22, 2018

4th Sunday of Easter

## Sunday Reflection: Jesus, Our Good Shepherd

The image of Jesus as the Shepherd of the Father's flock is one of the most beautiful images we have of him. And we owe it to Jesus himself. This is how he described himself and his mission. Jesus is no hireling. The hireling doesn't own the sheep, and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf approaching. Jesus is the Good shepherd. The sheep belong to him, and he is ready to die for them.



The feeling of belonging to Jesus, and of being known and loved by him, is enormously comforting and reassuring. Who would not want to belong to his flock? But how can we tell if we truly belong to his flock? What does belonging entail? Essentially three things.

The first and basic requirement is to believe in him. We enter the flock by becoming believers. But belief is only the beginning. The second requirement is to listen to his voice: "My sheep listen to my voice". To listen to his voice is to heed his teachings. And the third requirement is follow him: "My sheep follow me". To follow him is to do his word.

The privilege of belonging is not something that is offered to a chosen few, but to everyone one of us. Let follow our good shepherd. He will lead us in the path of light!

## Praying the Rosary in May

During the month of May, we will be reciting the Rosary as a community 20 minutes before the celebration of the weekend Masses. We ask you to join us in this Marian devotion. Volunteers are needed to lead the Rosary. Please contact the Parish Office, if you can help us.

## Dear Visitors

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.

## 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*

<b>Saturday, 04/21</b>	4:15 - 4:45 PM 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Marriage Prep Class at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For + Joe & Kay Knuth by Gene & Joan Blumberg Birthday and Anniversary Celebration at OLP following Mass
<b>Sunday, 04/22</b>  4th Sunday of Easter	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM  10:30 AM   11:45 AM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte <b>Mass at STC:</b> For + Ray Copa by Karen Copa First Holy Communion Class at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For the Members of our Parishes CLOW Leaders: Lisa Kriens Birthday and Anniversary Celebration at OLP following Mass Marriage Prep Class at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
<b>Monday, 04/23</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSD		<b>No Mass</b> Pastor's Day Off
<b>Tuesday, 04/24</b>	12 Noon 10:30 AM	<b>Mass at OLP:</b> For + Kurt Blumberg by Gene & Joan Blumberg Money Counters: Terry Moen, Mary Schiebe & Doug Scrapper
<b>Wednesday, 04/25</b>	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 12 Noon - 3:00 PM 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM 7:00 PM	<b>Mass at OLP:</b> For + Bruce Carlisle by Mary Kempf Hospitality Ad Hoc Team Meeting Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students at OLP FF Class for Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Students in Nevis STC Guild Meeting in the Parish Hall, Laporte
<b>Thursday, 04/26</b>	9:00 AM	<b>Mass at OLP:</b> For + Virginia Larson by Mary and Sheldon Schiebe
<b>Friday, 04/27</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM	<b>Mass at OLP:</b> For +Lillian Juelich by John and Karen Mondry <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>
<b>Saturday, 04/28</b>	9:00 AM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	OLP Lakeside & Woodlawn Catholic Cemeteries Cleanup, Nevis <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For + Leola Geisen by Jona & Jim Seifert
<b>Sunday, 04/29</b> 5th Sunday of Easter  2nd Collection: For Catholic Home Mission Appeal	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM  10:30 AM  11:45 AM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte <b>Mass at STC:</b> For + Rosemary Moss by Emily & Bodie Harrington First Holy Communion Class at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte <b>Mass at OLP:</b> For the Members of our Parishes Marriage Prep Class at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
<b>Upcoming Events</b>	May 02 May 03 May 04 May 06 May 06 May 05 & 06  May 08 May 09 May 09 May 09 May 10 May 10 May 12 & 13  May 13 May 15 May 17 May 19	OLP Faith Formation Teachers Meeting, Nevis at 6:30 PM OLP Finance Council Meeting, Nevis at 10:00 AM STC First Holy Communion Rehearsal in Laporte at 3:30 PM First Holy Communion Mass at St. Theodore's Church at 8:30 AM STC Second Collection: For Laporte Food Shelf KC Tootsie Drive at Nevis and Laporte after the Mass  Parish Staff Meeting at 6:39 PM Last Faith Formation Class at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte STC Faith Formation Teachers Meeting in Laporte at 2:30 PM STC Church and Cemetery Cleanup Deanery Meeting at Wilton OLP Choir Practice at 6:30 PM Mothers Day Flower Pick up arranged by Haiti Mission Committee  Marriage Prep Class at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 11:45 AM KC General Meeting at 7:00 PM Haiti Mission Committee Meeting at 7:00 PM in Nevis Highway 34 Cleanup starts at 8:30 AM

<b>Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, April 28, 2018</b>	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantors	Connie Walz
Lectors	Jesse Clack, Dustin Wroolie & Connie Walz
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Loren Kramer & Don Dierkhising, Ed Dvorak & Tom Walz
Greeters	Donna Lindow & Dee Dvorak
Eucharistic Ministers	Theora Goodrich (C), Rita Schuldt & Pat Dietenberger

<b>Stewardship Report For the Week of 04/15/2018</b>	<b>Our Lady of the Pines</b>	<b>St. Theodore's Church</b>
Sunday Offering	\$2659.00	\$593.00
OLP Fuel Envelopes	\$50.00	--
Easter Sunday Envelopes	\$25.00	--
Rectory Project Fund	\$20.00	--
Candle Envelopes	\$18.00	--
<b>2018 DAA Contribution</b> \$ as of April 12, 2018 % of Parish Participation	<b>\$7241.00</b> (Goal: \$13,852 21%)	<b>\$ 1222.00</b> (Goal: \$3,526 17.11 %)

**Next Week's 2nd Collection: Catholic Home Missions**  
 Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

**OLP Cemeteries Clean up**  
 Join us at Nevis Lakeside and Woodlawn Catholic Cemeteries for the Spring Cleanup this **Saturday, April 28, at 9:00 AM.** Confirmation Students are welcome and you can earn your service hours.  
 ~ Jim McAllister

**Visit Our Parish Website**  
 Have you visited our parish website recently? You will find copies of the bulletins and bulletin inserts, liturgical ministers' schedule, minutes of Church Councils and Committees, parish calendar of events and many more! visit [www.ccnevislaporte.org](http://www.ccnevislaporte.org) and check it out !!

**Park Rapids Classic Chorale**  
 Spring Concert 2018 on **Friday, April 20 — 7:30 pm** and **Sunday, April 22 — 3:00 pm** at St. John's Lutheran Church Park Rapids. All are welcome! ~ Amanda

<b>Sunday: April 29, 2018</b>	
Sacristans	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantors	Karie Lindow & Angie Lindow
Lectors	Bob DeCrans, Carol Lindow & Anna Hudson
Altar Servers	Addison Lindow, Daniel Lindow & Aiden Thompson
Ushers	Jason Funk, Mike Van Guilder, Ed DeLaHunt & Help Needed
Greeters	Sylvia McCarthy & Mary DeCrans
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeanine Thompson (C), Mary DeCrans, John Lindow, Doug Scraper & Holly Funk

<b>OLP Monthly Assignments: April 2018</b>	
Hospitality Ministers	Mary Schiebe (C), Kelly Kramer, Mitzi Adrian, Kathy Nagel, Jeannene Johnson, Leah Walters and Faye Piersant
Altar Linen	Marcy DeCrans

<b>St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday: April 29, 2018</b>	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Kevin Warne, Charlotte Rauch & Joe Eisterhold
Altar Servers	Calli Watson, Abree Katzenmeyer & Anna Katzenmeyer
Ushers	Ken Nelson & Roger Rudbeck
Greeters	Ruth Grandy & Irene Fehn
Eucharistic Ministers	Bonnie Conrad (C), Lisa Katzenmeyer & Carol Wellen

**Prayer Requests**  
 Ed Juelich, Carla Wheeler, Nicholas Davis, Julie Mischel, Rita Cole, Trent Cole, Ed Dvorak, Brenda Nulliner, Marie Hassler, Irene Fehn, Jerry Amundson, Jack and Kathy Roberts, Shawn Karl, Sue Joerger, Greg Carter, Jan Lundberg, Dennis Schafer, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Peg Koktavy, Dorothy Goeden, Barbara Dietenberger, Priscilla Dietenberger, Harold Dietenberger, Paul Mockenhaupt, Jean Dryness.

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.

## 2018 DAA Second Report as of April 12, 2018

Our parish Communities & our diocese are doing well in contributing to DAA 2018. We are grateful to all of you who have been supporting the diocesan ministries year after year. Thank you very much!

**Diocesan Goal** is \$900,000.00 and Pledges total \$747,041.56 with \$621,813.57 paid. This is 82% of the goal by 20% of diocesan families participating (3407 gifts).

**St. Theodore's Church goal** is \$ 3,526.00 and Pledges total \$1,397.00 with \$1,222.00 is paid. This is 32.69 % of our goal by 17.11 % of our parish families participating (13 gifts)!

**Our Lady of the Pines Church Goal** is \$13,852.00 and Pledges total \$8,346.00 with \$7,241.00 paid. This is 60.25 % of our goal by 21% of our parish families participating (46 gifts)!

You may still make a gift or pledge to the 2018 DAA by using an envelope and prayer card available in the Gathering Space or the one received at home. You may make a one-time gift online or set up a sustaining gift by credit card or automatic withdrawal from your checking account over the course of 12 months. For questions about sustaining gifts, please contact Renee' Tate at [rtate@crookston.org](mailto:rtate@crookston.org) or call toll free 1-855-397-8252. Go to [www.crookston.org/daa](http://www.crookston.org/daa) for more information about the 2018 DAA. You will find an option to make an online or sustaining gift with a credit card or checking account. Thank you for all you do to support the 2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal. This beautiful work belongs to all of us!

## Benefit for Michael Landquist

Nevis community is organizing a benefit for Michael Landquist on **Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**. Michael is a Junior at Nevis High School who was involved in a serious car accident on Tuesday, March 20. He has had two surgeries to date and has a long road to recover. Shop, dine, fill your tank at local business or participate in Silent Auction and *Alumini* Basketball Game at Nevis School to support Michael in order to help pay for his medical expenses.

~ Amy M. Klimek

## Cheers to 25 years!

The Board of Directors of Kinship of the Park Rapids Area invites the public to Kinship's 25th Anniversary Benefit Celebration on **Friday, April 27, 2018** starting at 6:30 pm at *Necce's Italiano Ristorante* in Park Rapids. Tickets are \$125 per person. This includes a Wine Pull and Silent Auction at 6:30 pm, tasting at 7:00 pm with a 4 – course tasting with wine pairing and live music by the Terrapin Brothers. All proceeds will support Kinship programming in the Park Rapids area. This is an adult only event. For more information contact the Kinship office at 218-732-0058 or [kinship@unitelc.com](mailto:kinship@unitelc.com)

~ Rosy Hjermstad

## Faith Formation Classes Conclude

As the month of April comes to an end, our Faith Formation program in Our Lady of the Pines Church will be concluded for this academic year on **Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**. At St. Theodore's, Laporte, the last Faith Formation program will be on **Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**.

This year, we are blessed to have 33 children coming from Nevis Public School and 12 students from Laporte School for religious education during their release time; And there are 32 youth in our Confirmation Program who attend Wednesday evening classes. Besides these, a good number of children participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sundays at Our Lady of the Pines Church.

Faith Formation Teachers and Volunteers are a special gift to our community to help the parents in teaching their children our Faith. We are grateful to have a good and generous team of Faith Formation Teachers and volunteers who willingly taught our children and youth. We appreciate their ministry to our children and youth at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis and St. Theodore's Church, Laporte.

Our gratitude goes to the following Faith Formation Teachers and volunteers of this year:

<i>Bjorklund, Wendy</i>	<i>Clack, Jesse</i>
<i>DeCrans, Bob</i>	<i>DeWulf, Ronda</i>
<i>Durgin, Beth</i>	<i>Fehn, Irene</i>
<i>Fehn, Katrina</i>	<i>Goehring, Jeanette</i>
<i>Grandy, Ruth</i>	<i>Katzenmeyer, Lisa</i>
<i>Kriens, Lisa</i>	<i>Lindow, Angie</i>
<i>Lindow, Carol</i>	<i>Lindow, Donna</i>
<i>Lindow, John</i>	<i>Lindow, Kevin</i>
<i>McNamee, Jen</i>	<i>Nelson, Ken</i>
<i>Noyes, Dianna</i>	<i>Pidde, Julie</i>
<i>Roerick, Sandy</i>	<i>Rypkema, Gina</i>
<i>Schiebe, Mary</i>	<i>Schiebe, Sheldon</i>
<i>Scraper, Doug</i>	<i>Theede, Dennis</i>

## One Loaf at a Time

One Loaf at a Time is organizing a Sex Trafficking and Sexual Violence prevention and awareness program on **April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**. Students, ages 13 and up, are highly encouraged to attend, with parental permission. Parents, Families, and Community Members are also encouraged to attend.

On **Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**, the movie "I am Jane Doe" will be shown at the Bear Pause Theater in Hackensack for FREE. On **Thursday April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**, Rachel will speak to Students, Families, and Community Members in WHA gymnasium about her personal story of abuse and survival. We hope that you can come to one, or both events For more information visit: [www.OneLoafAtATime.org](http://www.OneLoafAtATime.org)