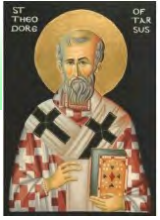


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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November 26, 2017	Feast of Christ the King
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Sunday Reflection: Christ the King

Since most of us have never lived in a kingdom and have no experience of relating to a king, our notion of kings tends to be along the line of fairy tales where the prince or princess is always charming, living with great wealth, in easy comfort and pristine peace. This weekend's celebration of the feast of Christ the King hardly takes us to this kind of kingdom; Because, Christ the King, in no way resembles any earthly king. Then why do we, Christians, call Jesus as a "King"?

Jesus often spoke about Kingdom of God. God's kingdom is one that looks out for people who are ignored in every other kingdom: the poor and the broken and the wounded. Jesus Christ is a peculiar type of a king who identifies himself with the poor and vulnerable. He feels that their vulnerability is his vulnerability; And so he is present wherever human need is greatest.

Who are his loyal subjects? They are a community of mercy givers. Today's gospel tells us that a group of people responded with mercy to those in need. They gave food to the hungry and drink to the thirsty, welcomed strangers, clothed the naked, comforted the ill and visited prisoners. Whenever they did good to others, they created a community of mercy and brought about the Reign of God around them.

Today's parable says that not everyone loves to be loyal citizen of Christ's kingdom. Some never took time to care for Christ's least brother or sister. They insisted on being goats. And at the end of time the king tells them, "You never did pass on to others the care I gave to you. By not reaching out to others, you did not let me into your life. I would love to shepherd you even now, but all I can do is affirm the choice you have made with your life. You have chosen to live without me, your God, and I will respect your choice." This is how Christ the King acts. He respects and honors his subjects' needs and desires.

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 obtain a registration form.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

<p>Saturday, 11/25 Second Collection for: St. Mary's Red Lake Mission</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 + Laverna Schulte by Bob and Donna Lindow Projectionist: Anna Hudson</p>
<p>Sunday, 11/26 Feast of Christ the King CLOW Second Collection for: St. Mary's Red Lake Mission</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For the Members of our Parishes First Reconciliation Class at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at OLP: For + Joe Tomas by Helen Tomas and Family CLOW Leaders: Lisa Kriens Projectionist: Anna Hudson</p>
<p>Monday, 11/27 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>		<p>No Mass Pastor's Day Off</p>
<p>Tuesday, 11/28</p>	<p>12:00 Noon 10:30 AM 1:00 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For + Angela Martini by Connie Gueli and Family Money Counters: Nancy Greene, Doug Scaper & Connie Walz Last session of Bible Study Program at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis</p>
<p>Wednesday, 11/29</p>	<p>9:00 AM Noon - 3:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: Blessings on Chrissie Welle by Mary Kempf Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Time Students First Reconciliation Class at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Evening Classes for Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Students</p>
<p>Thursday, 11/30</p>	<p>2:30 PM</p>	<p>NO Mass: Due to Priests Meeting in Crookston Last Session of Bible Study Program at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte</p>
<p>Friday, 12/1 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM 4:00 PM</p>	<p>Mass at OLP: For + Laverna Schulte by Connie & Tom Walz Eucharistic Adoration Wedding Rehearsal for Katrina & Kenneth Nelson at St. Theodore's Church</p>
<p>Saturday, 12/2</p>	<p>2:00 PM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM</p>	<p>Wedding Mass for Katrina Fehn and Kenneth Nelson at STC, Laporte Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For + Joe Tomas by Helen Tomas and Family Projectionist: Judy Thompson</p>
<p>Sunday, 12/3 CLOW STC 2nd Collection for: Laporte Food Shelf</p>	<p>8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Jo-Ann O'Connell John & Jackie Duff First Reconciliation Class at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes CLOW Leaders: Ronda DeWulf and Liddy DeWulf Projectionist: Anna Hudson</p>
<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<p>December 05 December 06 December 06 December 06 December 07 December 07 December 08 December 08 December 09 - 10 December 10 December 12 December 13 December 13 December 13 December 13 December 13 December 15</p>	<p>OLP Pastoral Council Meeting in the Community Meeting Room at 6:30 PM Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Students 12:00 -3:00 PM FF Classes for Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Students at 6:30 PM First Reconciliation Class at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 6:30 PM NO Morning Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Holy Day of Obligation Mass (Imma. Con. of Mary) in Nevis at 6:00 PM NO Morning Mass at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Holy Day of Obligation Mass (Imma. Con. of Mary) in Laborte at 8:30 AM Birthday and Anniversary Celebrations at OLP following Mass Second Collection: For Retired Religious Mass of the Anointing of the Sick at Our Lady of the Pines Church at 12 Noon Faith Formation Classes for Laporte School Release Students 12:00 -2:00 PM Faith Formation Classes for Nevis School Release Students 12:00 -3:00 PM Advent Confessions for Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Students at OLP First Reconciliation Class at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis at 6:30 PM Deanery Advent Reconciliation at St. Philip's Church, Bemidji 7:00 - 7:00 PM</p>

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, December 2, 2017	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Sounds of Faith Group & Connie Walz
Lectors	Jesse Clack, Jarod Senger & Connie Walz
Altar Servers	Help Needed
Ushers	Ed Dvorak & Tom Walz &
Greeters	Dee Dvorak & Florence Kramer
Eucharistic Ministers	Theora Goodrich (C), Bob Lindow & Pat Dietenberger

Sunday, December 3, 2017	
Sacristan	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Bob DeCrans, Mike DeWulf & Jeanne Thompson
Altar Servers	Tyler Lindow, Spencer Lindow & Brenna Lindow
Ushers	Jason Funk, Stephen Lindow, Jim Warner & Chuck Tangeman
Greeters	Mary DeCrans & Karie Lindow
Eucharistic Ministers	Michael VanGuilder (C), Ronda DeWulf, Nancy Greene, Doug Scrapper, & Mary Jo Masloski

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday, December 3, 2017	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Angie Jobe
Cantor	Sharon Lembke
Lectors	Carol Wellen, Sandy Roerick & Anna Hudson
Altar Servers	Anna Katzenmeyer, Calli Watson & Blake Watson
Ushers	Gary Roerick & Roger Rudbeck
Greeters	Irene Fehn & Donna Minikus
Eucharistic Ministers	Joe Eisterhold (C), Dan Janiga & Jean Janiga

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 11/19/2017	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$2583.75	\$906.00
Second Collection: Campaign for Human Development	\$787.00	\$223.88
Candle Envelopes	\$23.00	--
Rectory Project Contribution	\$240.00	--

2017 DAA Contribution (\$ as of November 21, 2017) % parish participation	\$12,141.00 (Goal: \$14,215.00) 36.70%	\$4116.50 (Goal: \$3,632.00) 38.46%
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St. Mary's Red Lake Mission Collection
Our 2nd collection this weekend is for the benefit of St. Mary's Mission at Red Lake. Please be generous as your gifts make all the difference in building a successful future for these children. You are welcome to view the award-winning video at www.crookston.org/smma or donate online directly to the Mission.

Nevis Holiday Shoppe
Nevis Community Ed is looking for donation for our annual Holiday Shoppe on **Saturday, December 9th**. We are looking for small gift items, gift bags or gift boxes for putting gifts in. Please no food or used clothing, unless they are brand new such as hats or gloves. Donations can be drop off at the Nevis Community Ed or contact Nevis Community Ed at 218-255-0035
~ Alex White

St. Joseph's Hospice Care: Light Up A Life
During this holiday season, CHI St. Joseph's Health Hospice Care invites you to join them in a celebration of life and memories by giving a gift in honor or in memory of a loved ones. Your gift to the 'Light up a Life' program will help bring individualized care to those in need of pain an symptom management, counseling and respite services. Envelopes are made available at the Gathering place for your use.

OLP Monthly Assignments: December 2017	
Hospitality Ministers	Sue Joerger, Marsha Karam, Angie Lindow, Jody Karl, Donna Lindow, Florence Kramer, Shirley Zurn & Karrin Lindow.
Altar Linen	Anna Hudson

Prayer Requests
Ted Thielen, Kathy Roberts, Sue Joerger, George Noyes, Greg Carter, Leah Pigatti, Ken Thompson, Trent Cole, Jan Lundberg, Dan Hedrick, Dennis Schafer, Kathy Quinn, Jean Dryness, Larry Yunker, Thomas Roberts, Jenny Avenson, Art Meyer, Janet Ramlet, Alan Knott, Shirley Tatro, Peg Koktavay, 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.

Marriage Banns

Please pray for the following couple who are preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony to be celebrated in our parish:

Kenneth Nelson & Katrina Fehn

Wedding Mass on Saturday, December 2, 2017
at 2:00 PM at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte

End of the Year Giving

This is the time of the year, we think of making a yearend giving. Christmas offering and year-end giving is a Catholic tradition that calls to mind the gifts of three magi to Jesus, the newborn King. During this season, we have a spiritual opportunity to make a return to God of His many blessings.

Please consider your parish and its ministry when you make a yearend contribution. If you would like your contribution to be recorded for this year, you may mail your contributions before December 31, 2017. We are grateful to the following persons who have generously made a yearend contribution to Our Lady of the Pines Church:

- ◆ **Henry Burkeley**
- ◆ **Paul Doebel & Carol Dapogny**

Volunteers Needed

Lakes Area Habitat for Humanity will be starting to build April Bower's home on **Dec 5th** at 621 3rd Street W in Park Rapids. Volunteers are needed (no experience necessary). Shifts are from 8 – 12:30 and 12:30 – 4:30. For more information call 218-454-7020. ~ Karen Skarolid

Sympathy

Our Lady of the Pines Parish Community extends its sympathy and prayerful to Paul and Helen Mockenhaupt at the death of their daughter + **Jody Mockenhaupt** who died on Wednesday, November 22 in the Twin Cities. May she rest in peace!

Christmas Flower Memorials

If you wish to make a memorial for a deceased loved one or honor a living person during the season of Christmas, you may use the Christmas Flower Envelope in your offering box or use this Bulletin cut-out box. Your contributions will be used for flowers and decorations during Christmas and all memorials will be published in our parish bulletin.

Your Name: _____

In Memory of : + _____
or

In Honor of: _____

Amount: _____ Thank You.

Next Week: The Season of Advent Begins



The weekend of **December 2 - 3**, we begin the season of Advent. It is a time to prepare ourselves for the Coming of the Lord; It is a time to welcome Jesus in our hearts and in our life situations so that

God may find a permanent home at this Christmas and beyond. Do join us in all the Advent liturgies celebrated in our parishes.

Advent Online Retreat

An online program called, "Advent: An Invitation to Intimacy with God" is being offered by the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Elm Grove, Wisconsin. This Online, Interactive Retreat for Women goes from **December 3-24, 2017**. You are invited to join the School Sisters of Notre Dame in taking time to nurture your relationship with God this Advent. Deepen your personal reflection and prayer by interaction with a spiritual companion, a sister with whom you will be paired to meet with weekly by phone, skype or in person. For more information, contact Sister Stephanie Spandl, SSND, at sspandl@ssnd.org or 651-278-4498.

Holy Day of Obligation Mass Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

Thursday, December 7 at 6:00 PM
at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
Friday, December 8 at 8:30 AM
at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte

Feeling Lost? Need Direction?

The Diocese of Crookston has openings for spiritual direction and mentorship! If you are interested, contact Jessica at the Chancery by calling 218-281-4533. Your confidential request will be received and you will get a call back from coordinator, Deacon Steve Thomas, who will make arrangements for you. Visit www.crookston.org (Choose "Diocese". Then click "Spiritual Direction") to learn more about spiritual direction offerings in the Diocese of Crookston.

Now Hiring!

Our Diocesan Newspaper published from Crookston (OND) is seeking freelance journalists! Freelancers will attend diocesan and parish events, conduct research, and write articles as assigned. High resolution photos will be expected to accompany written articles. Work will be submitted to Our Northland Diocese via e-mail by pre-established deadlines. Freelancers will work for the newspaper as independent contractors. Possession of a valid driver's license and the ability to travel independently in the diocese is a must. For more details contact Janelle Gergen at jgergen@crookston.org or 218-281-4533.