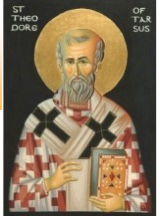


Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore of Tarsus Catholic Churches



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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

April 29, 2018

5th Sunday of Easter

Pope Francis' New Apostolic Exhortation:

Gaudete et Exsultate

REJOICE AND BE GLAD
GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE



Pope Francis has published a new Apostolic Exhortation this month. It is called: *Gaudete et Exsultate* (Rejoice and Be Glad). It is absolutely phenomenall!

“Rejoice and be glad!” is what Jesus said on the Sermon on the Mount. It is also the title of Pope Francis’ new apostolic exhortation on holiness in everyday life. Why should we “rejoice and be glad”? Because God, as Francis reminds us, calls us all to be saints. But how can we respond to that call?

You do not need to be a bishop, a priest or a member of a religious order to be holy. Everyone is called to be a saint, a mother or a father, a student or an attorney, a teacher or a janitor. “Saints next door,” Francis calls them. All we need to do is to “live our lives in love” and “bear witness” to God in all we do.

That also doesn’t have to mean big, dramatic actions. Francis offers examples of everyday sanctity, like a loving parent raising a child, as well as “small gestures” and sacrifices that one can make, like deciding not to pass on gossip. If you can see your own life as a “mission,” then you soon realize that you can simply be loving and kind to move towards holiness.

You also do not have to be “swooning in mystic rapture” to be a saint or walking around with “lowered eyes.” Nor do you have to withdraw from other people. On the other hand, you do not want to be caught up in the “rat race” of rushing from one thing to another. A balance between action and contemplation is essential.

~ James Martin

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

Saturday, 04/28	9:00 AM 4:15 - 4:45 PM 5:00 PM	OLP Lakeside & Woodlawn Catholic Cemeteries Cleanup, Nevis Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Mass at OLP: For + Leola Geisen by Jona & Jim Seifert
Sunday, 04/29 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	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at STC: For + Rosemary Moss by Emily & Bodie Harrington First Holy Communion Class at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes Marriage Prep Class at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis
Monday, 04/30 PARISH OFFICE CLOSD		No Mass Pastor's Day Off
Tuesday, 05/01	12 Noon 10:30 AM	Mass at OLP: For the Good Health of Shawn Karl by Judy Karl - Duclos Money Counters: Terry Lenz, Catherine Lenz and Sue Joerger
Wednesday, 05/02	9:00 AM	Mass at OLP: For + Bruce Carlisle by Mary Kempf
Thursday, 05/03	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Mass at OLP: For the Intentions of John Paul and Liz Lang Family by Walter & Renee Johnson OLP Finance Council Meeting in the Community Room
Friday, 05/04 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	9:00 AM 9:30 - 10:30 AM 3:30 PM	Mass at OLP: For + Laverna Schulte by Connie & Tom Walz Eucharistic Adoration STC First Holy Communion Rehearsal in Laporte
Saturday, 05/05	4:15 - 4:45 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis Rosary Leader: Loren Kramer Mass at OLP: Safe Travel for Tanner and Sophie Ferderer by Mary Kempf KC Tootsie Drive at Nevis after the Mass
Sunday, 05/06 6th Sunday of Easter STC 2nd Collection: For Laport Food Shelf	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte First Holy Mass at STC: For + Ray Copa by Karen Copa Mass at OLP: For the Members of our Parishes Rosary Leader: Bob DeCrans KC Tootsie Drive at Nevis and Laporte after the Mass
Upcoming Events	May 08 May 09 May 09 May 09 May 10 May 10 May 12 & 13 May 13 May 15 May 17 May 19 May 20 May 20 May 27 May 28 May 28 June 01 June 03 June 03 - 08 June 06	Parish Staff Meeting at 6:30 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 High School Seniors Recognition Sunday 2nd Collection: For Catholic Communications Baccalaureate Service at Church of Christ, Nevis at 6:30 PM STC Bake Sale: For St. Lawrence Cemetery Project Memorial Day Weekend: No Hospitality Served at OLP Funeral Mass for +Earl Erion at St. Theodore's Church, Laporte at 11:00 AM STC Second Collection: For Laporte Food Shelf Priests Retreat in Detroit Lake, MN STC Guild Meeting in the Parish Hall, Laporte at 7:00 PM

Our Lady of the Pines Church Liturgical Ministers Saturday, May 05, 2018	
Sacristan	Help Needed
Musician	Ardis Johnson
Cantor	Jeanette Goehring
Lectors	Jeanne Thompson, Loren Kramer & Jesse Clack
Altar Servers	Mallory Kowalke, Blake Kowalke & Miranda Kowalke
Ushers	Ed Dvorak, Tom Walz, Loren Kramer & Don Dierkhising
Greeters	Florence Kramer & Dee Dvorak
Eucharistic Ministers	Theora Goodrich (C), Rita Schuldt & Bob Lindow

Sunday: May 06, 2018	
Sacristans	Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Mary Schiebe, Mike DeWulf & Sheldon Schiebe
Altar Servers	Emily Funk, Liddy DeWulf & Help Needed
Ushers	Jason Funk, Clarence Marketon, Stephen Lindow & Jim Warner
Greeters	Cheri Stallman & Ted Stallman
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat Hrubes (C), Ronda DeWulf, Mike Van Guilder, Bob DeCrans & Mary DeCrans

St. Theodore's Church Liturgical Ministers Sunday: May 06, 2018	
Sacristan	Charlotte Rauch
Musician	Don Hudson
Cantor	Don Hudson
Lectors	Sandy Roerick, Kevin Warne & Charlotte Rauch
Altar Servers	Abree Katzenmeyer, Gabby Nelson & Anna Katzenmeyer
Ushers	Darin Katzenmeyer & John Duff
Greeters	Lisa Katzenmeyer & Bonnie Conrad
Eucharistic Ministers	Jackie Duff (C), Marcel Noyes & Carol Wellen

Stewardship Report For the Week of 04/22/2018	Our Lady of the Pines	St. Theodore's Church
Sunday Offering	\$1956.07	\$606.00
OLP Fuel Envelopes	\$5.00	- -
Rectory Project Fund	\$20.00	- -
Candle Envelopes	\$17.00	- -

2018 DAA Contribution \$ as of April 12, 2018 % of Parish Participation	\$7241.00 (Goal: \$13,852 21%)	\$ 1222.00 (Goal: \$3,526 17.11 %)
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Diocesan Annual Appeal 2018

We would like to thank all those who have made a pledge to the 2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal in our parishes. We are asking each family to consider making a tax deductible gift today if you have not already done so. It is our hope that we will receive a generous gift from every family, no matter the amount, so that we can reach our goal!

Please consider the daily sacrifices you will be making approximately for **32 weeks**, when you pledge for DAA 2018:

Total Pledge Amount	Amount Per Week	Daily Sacrifice
\$500	\$15.62	\$2.22
\$400	\$12.50	\$1.78
\$300	\$9.37	\$1.33
\$200	\$6.25	\$0.89
\$100	\$3.12	\$0.44
\$50	\$1.56	\$0.22

~ Doug Scrapper & Charlotte Rauch

STC Church and Cemetery Cleanup

Join us in our Spring Cleaning of St. Theodore's Church and Cemetery on **Wednesday, May 9th** starting at **9:00 AM**.

~ Bonnie & Hank Conrad

OLP Monthly Assignments: May 2018	
Hospitality Ministers	Julie Pidge (C), Pat Edwards, Peggy McAllister, Joan McGuire, Jen McNamee, Kathy Krause and Kathy Roberts.
Altar Linen	Carol Lindow

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, Ruth Hrubes.

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.

Holiness Online

Stop trolling, resist gossiping and consider putting down your device altogether. That is Pope Francis' advice in his new Apostolic Exhortation "Rejoice and be Glad" for how to be holy online.

The Pope takes on "verbal violence" that is common on "the internet and various forums of digital communication." "Even in Catholic media," he says, "limits can be overstepped, defamation and slander can become commonplace, and all ethical standards and respect for the good name of others can be abandoned."

In North America alone, there are many well-funded Catholic sites and numerous Catholic blogs whose aim is often to slander and malign fellow Catholics who, in the eyes of these writers, believe or live the Catholic faith incorrectly.

"The result is a dangerous dichotomy," Francis writes, "since things can be said there that would be unacceptable in public discourse, and people look to compensate for their own discontent by lashing out at others."

He takes special aim at online behavior that is misleading, either through innuendo or tenuous ties to suspect people or ideologies.

"Here," the pope says, "we see how the unguarded tongue, set on fire by hell, sets all things ablaze."

~ Michael J. O'Loughlin

Spring Bible Study Program Signup

We intend to study the latest letter of Pope Francis, "Rejoice and be Glad" in our upcoming Adult Faith Formation Program. The first Session will be on **Wednesday, May 9 at 6:30 PM** at Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis. The same program will be offered at St. Theodore's church, Laporte on **Thursdays, starting May 10 at 2:30 PM**. Please signup today and be part of the Spring Bible Study Program in our parishes.

Adopt-a-Highway Needs Your Help!



We're looking for volunteers to help with our **'Spring 2018 Highway Cleanup'** project. We maintain two miles of Hwy 34 between Akeley and Nevis in the spring and fall each year. If you can spare a few hours starting at **8:30 am on Saturday May 19th**, we could use your help.

Sign-up sheets will be available following the Masses on May 5th - 6th and May 12th - 13th. Coffee, juice, fruit, and donuts will be available at the church before we head out for the cleanup. If you have any questions, please contact Don or Anna Hudson (218-652-2219) or stop by the sign up table. We look forward to seeing you there.

~ Don Hudson

Guthrie Cemetery Property Reclaimed

On July 27th 1939, Henry Warren deeded two acres to St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Guthrie to be used as Cemetery. Strangely, in 1959 Minnesota took a tax forfeiture action against St. Lawrence Cemetery. In 1972, St. Lawrence Church in Guthrie was closed and the cemetery was still considered to be the property of the state of Minnesota.

In the year 2016, the Cemetery Committee of St. Theodore's Church, Laporte initiated a quiet title action through a lawyer. On March 27, 2017 an application to cancel the forfeiture was made to MN Revenue Department with the recommendation from Hubbard County Board.

We are happy to inform you that the forfeiture of St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery property is cancelled and we have just received all the documents related to the Cemetery from Hubbard County Auditor. St. Lawrence's Cemetery will be under the care of St. Theodore's Church. We are grateful to the members of STC Cemetery Committee and Colleen Curran for her help in obtaining the cancellation of the forfeiture.

As we rejoice in reclaiming the property, we have a job to do with your help. We discover that the neighbors have encroached the Cemetery property and we are negotiating to get back our land. We need to do a survey and put up a fence to secure this sacred space. The Committee is getting bids and planning a few fundraising events. We would like to complete this project during this summer and we need your help. In the coming days, we will have more information to share with you. For now, let us thank God for answering our prayer.

~ Fr. Tony Fernando

Kingship Fish Fry

Join the Kingship Fish Fry on **Friday, May 11 from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM** at American Legion: Adults: \$9 and Children 10 and under: \$4. Menu: Fish, Baked Potato, Flatbread, Coleslaw & Homemade Desserts. All proceeds go to support youth mentoring.

~ Rosy Hjermstad

2nd Collection: For Home Mission Diocese

This weekend, at all Masses we will take up our annual Home Mission Collection. Eighty Five dioceses in the United States considered to be mission dioceses and they have received from this collection grants totaling over 10 million dollars in 2016. Our diocese, being one of the mission dioceses, has been benefiting from this collection to support catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training and pastoral program. Please prayerfully consider a gift for this collection.

Come and Pray the Rosary

Join us in praying the Rosary 20 minutes before the celebration of the weekend Masses. Let us honor Mother Mary during the month of May.