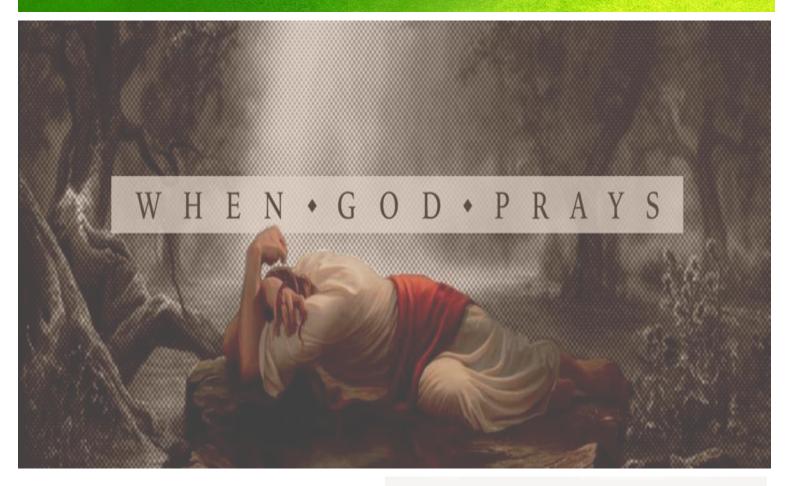
Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Church Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Saturday: 5pm | Sunday: 8am & 11:30am Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 11:30am

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Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28



Saint Kateri Tekakwitha's Story

The blood of martyrs is the seed of saints. Nine years after the Jesuits Isaac Jogues and Jean de Lelande were tomahawked by Iroquois warriors, a baby girl was born near the place of their martyrdom, Auriesville, New York. Her mother was a Christian Algonquin, taken captive by the Iroquois and given as wife to the chief of the Mohawk clan, the boldest and fiercest of the Five Nations. When she was four, Tekakwitha lost her parents and little brother in a smallpox epidemic that left her disfigured and half blind. She was adopted by an uncle, who succeeded her father as chief. He hated the coming of the Blackrobes—Jesuit missionaries—but could do nothing to them because a peace treaty with the French required their presence in villages with Christian captives. She was moved by the words of three Blackrobes who lodged with her uncle, but fear of him kept her from seeking instruction. Tekakwitha refused to marry a Mohawk brave, and at 19 finally got the courage to take the step of converting. She was baptized with the name Kateri-Catherine-on Easter Sunday. Now she would be treated as a slave. Because she would not work on Sunday, Kateri received no food that day. Her life in grace grew rapidly. She told a missionary that she often meditated on the great dignity of being baptized. She was powerfully moved by God's love for human beings and saw the dignity of each of her people. She was always in danger, for her conversion and holy life created great opposition. On the advice of a priest, Kateri stole away one night and began a 200-mile walking journey to a Christian Indian village at Sault St. Louis, near Montreal. For three years she grew in holiness under the direction of a priest and an older Iroquois woman, giving herself totally to God in long hours of prayer, in charity, and in strenuous penance. At 23, Kateri took a vow of virginity, an unprecedented act for an Indian woman whose future depended on being married. She found a place in the woods where she could pray an hour a day—and was accused of meeting a man there! Her dedication to virginity was instinctive: Kateri did not know about religious life for women until she visited Montreal. Inspired by this, she and two friends wanted to start a community, but the local priest dissuaded her. She humbly accepted an "ordinary" life. She practiced extremely severe fasting as penance for the conversion of her nation. Kateri Tekakwitha died the afternoon before Holy Thursday. Witnesses said that her emaciated face changed color and became like that of a healthy child. The lines of suffering, even the pockmarks, disappeared and the touch of a smile came upon her lips. She was beatified in 1980 and canonized in 2012. Reflection: We like to think that our proposed holiness is thwarted by our situation. If only we could have more solitude, less opposition, better health. Kateri Tekakwitha repeats the example of the saints: Holiness thrives on the cross, anywhere. Yet she did have what Christians—all people—need: the support of a community. She had a good mother, helpful priests, Christian friends. These were present in what we call primitive conditions, and blossomed in the age-old Christian triad of prayer, fasting and almsgiving: union with God in Jesus and the Spirit, self-discipline and often suffering, and charity for her brothers and sisters.

"I will heal your broken heart and mend all your wounds." Psalm 147:3

The month of July we pray for all family members and friends who have been impacted by an abortion in any way. May they open their hearts and minds to reach out for help to experience the love, mercy, and compassion of God. Please find out more about us at https://www.highdesertcatholic.org/. Click on Our Works, scroll down, click on Project Rachel. Contact our confidential, non -judgmental help line 775-324-4325 or email KarenM@Catholicreno.org to take advantage of valuable resources.

Our participation in the Peter's Pence Collection is an important way in which we support the Body of Christ universal. This collection benefits the operational and charitable work of Pope Francis and the Holy See. These charitable works are particularly important as he reaches out to our brothers and sisters who are marginalized or suffering throughout the world. By supporting this collection, you assist our Holy Father in his apostolic ministry and in bringing the mercy of God the Father to the world. Pope Francis calls all of the faithful to be part of the Church's effort to provide for the needs of the poor, continuing the tradition of the early Christians. Your support strengthens the charitable power of the Church to help victims of war, natural disasters, and mission efforts in impoverished dioceses and places. Your contribution of justice and love unites our charity under the Pope as pastor of the whole Church, attentive to the needs of the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can best support the Peter's Pence collection this year. Your donation is an indispensable work of evangelization, humanitarian assistance, and social promotion, continuing St. Peter's ministry for God's people. For more information about the collection, please visit <u>www.usccb.org/peters-pence</u>.

With every best wish and an assurance of prayers, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Daniel H. Mueggenborg Bishop of Reno



Retired, (adjective) ...

Definition: 1. I do what I want, when I want. 2. Enjoying life See also: Not my problem anymore.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	8	5pm	Happy Birthday Jessica Nagengast	David and Stephanie Scott
Sunday	9	8am	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Sunday	9	11:30am	For the End of Abortion	Save the Holy Innocents
Wednesday	12	11:30am	† Suzi VanCamp	The VanCamp Family
Thursday	13	11:30am	Emma Wilhelm	David and Stephanie Scott
Friday	14	11:30am	50th Anniversary Blessing Grace and Cesar Canonigo	

Last weekend's collection was \$5,892.00. Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to everybody for your cheerful giving and steadfast support of Our Lady of Tahoe!

Thanks to everyone for so thoughtfully giving of your time, talent and treasure! We still need parking lot volunteers for various shifts. Please call Cora at 661-917-7330.



The Lord's Prayer #5 - Thy Will Be Done

"Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."

Luke 22:42 NIV

A prayer that is often overlooked, but that is incredibly powerful is the petition "Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven." In this prayer, we place everything we have and are into the hands of the Heavenly Father, and give our permission to Him to guide us wherever He leads. It is both a terrifying and exciting prayer to make—to give God full reign in our lives means we aren't one's in charge anymore, but it is also exciting, because God works all things for the good, and knows what we need more than we ourselves do. It also keeps us from viewing God as a vending machine—putting our prayers in in order to get what we want. Rather, by surrendering our will to the Father, we recognize that He is God, and we are not. Have any of your prayers seemed to be "unanswered" but instead you received a blessing you did not expect?

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMEBRS AND POSITIONS

Dear members of Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Parish:

The following persons are members of my Pastoral Council. If you are unfamiliar with what a Pastoral Council is and does, please <u>click here</u> to read more.

Matthew Grisafe – Chair Thomas Stradtner – Recorder Patricia Miller John Guastella Mike McFadden

Those persons have been asked by me to be on the Pastoral Council for our parish. They are advisory to me concerning pastoral decisions I must make for the direction of our parish community and activities. They are all willing and able to hear your input, questions, ideas, insights, about our beloved parish here! Matthew attends 8am mass with his wife Kristie; Pat Miller sings in the 11:30am choir; John Guastella is a member of Men's Fellowship and the secretary for them, an usher at the 5pm Mass; Thomas is a Lector at 11:30 Mass and attends with his wife Casey and daughter Sansa; Mike lives in Gardnerville with his with Susha and son 3 year old Viktor.

https://ourladyoftahoe.org/pastoral-council/

As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community <u>welcomes and</u> <u>embraces all</u> those who come to us. With guidance of the Holy Spirit, through worship, the sacraments, and loving service, we provide for one another's spiritual and material needs. In being so nourished, we reach out in faith to serve the larger community.



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