

Our Lady of Tahoe

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5pm, and Sunday - 8:30am and 10:30am

Holy Days - 8:30am and 5pm

Weekdays - 5pm (Tuesday) & 8:30am (Wednesday - Saturday)

Adoration 9am - 10am (after Friday morning mass)

Reconciliation - 9am - 10am (Friday) & 4pm - 4:45pm (Saturday)

Baptisms and Marriages: Contact the parish during business hours: M-F,
9am - 3pm, or visit our website: www.ourladyoftahoe.org

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To become disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ we must trust and obey Him. Before Jesus called the first disciples, He tested their willingness and ability to trust and obey him when he said to Simon Peter after they had fished without success, Jesus said to him, Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets." Reading from the text it seems Simon Peter obeyed Jesus, but in fact, he obeyed with doubts in his heart about the possibility of catching any fish. His doubt was exposed when indeed they'd had a bountiful harvest of fish. "When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" Friends, to become true disciples of Christ we must be ready to trust and obey Jesus or demonstrate an unshakable faith in Him. In other words, our trust in Christ must have no iota of doubt. Fear breeds doubts therefore "Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him."

Cyril and Methodius' story began in Thessalonica, Greece, a territory evangelized by Saint Paul. Then named Constantine and Michael, the two were among seven sons born to a Greek-speaking imperial magistrate and his wife. Along with Greek and Latin, the two learned their mother's unwritten Slavic language. After completing his education in Constantinople, Constantine became a priest and teacher. At that time, Constantine's brother Michael abandoned his civil service career and became a monk, taking the name Methodius. While in his thirties, Constantine gave up his teaching career to embrace a life of prayer in his brother's monastery. A few years later, the two brothers responded to Byzantine Emperor Michael III's request to evangelize the Jews and Turks of Khazars, modern-day Russia, Ukraine, and Crimea. The two brothers learned Hebrew and Turkish to speak to the people in their native tongues. Within a couple of years, Prince Rastislav of Moravia asked Emperor Michael III to send missionaries to Great Moravia, today's Czech Republic. His people had rejected paganism and embraced Christianity, but they didn't have anyone who could explain the faith to them in their native Slavic language. In Great Moravia, Constantine and Methodius began to translate the Bible and liturgical books into the Slavic language. Since there was no written form of the language or even an alphabet, Constantine created one. He translated the various sounds into symbols, enabling the two brothers to write down the sacred texts. They taught the people and future Slavic clerics how to read their new written language. The new alphabet developed into today's Cyrillic alphabet, the basis of many Eastern European and Asian languages used by more than 250 million people today. In the face of German criticism of teaching the Slavs in their native language, Constantine and Methodius traveled to Rome. Pope Adrian II ordained them bishops and sent them back to Great Moravia. Before leaving Rome, however, Constantine fell sick. Before dying, he fully consecrated himself to God as a monk in one of the Greek monasteries, taking the monastic name Cyril. His brother Methodius then returned to Great Moravia to continue his work. Bishop Methodius spent the next fourteen years evangelizing the people in their native language, forming clergy, and effectively administering the Church. He continued to endure harsh treatment from the Germanic clergy, even being imprisoned by them for a time, but he pressed on, extending his missionary work beyond the borders of Great Moravia. A millennia later, the brothers received the universal honor they deserved when the Western Church added them to its liturgical calendar. A century after that, Pope John Paul II, a Slav himself, honored Cyril and Methodius with the title of co-patrons of Europe and Apostles to the Slavs.



During the month of February, we hold in our hearts all marriages touched by the deep wounds of abortion. We pray that these couples may draw upon the infinite love, mercy, and healing grace of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph—the Holy Family—helping to open their hearts to find comfort and renewal. We invite you to delve into our mission and discover the services we provide by visiting our website at High Desert Catholic. Navigate to "Our Works," scroll down, and select "Project Rachel" to learn about our dedicated efforts in fostering healing and support. Information about our upcoming Healing After Abortion Retreats will be available on our website soon. If you seek confidential, non-judgmental, and compassionate support, please contact our helpline at 775-324-4325 or email KarenM@Catholicreno.org. We are here to guide you toward peace and healing.

Are you ready to serve God? We are looking for committed volunteers in the following ministries: outreach, lectors, cantors and musicians, women's guild, men's fellowship, garden guardians (spring and summer), parking lot (summer), environment, bible study, ushers, snow removal of sidewalks prior to mass, event setup/cleanup. Please fill out the Diocese of Reno adult volunteer application. Pick up the VIRTUS brochure (located on the tables in the back of the church) and turn it into the office or place in the offertory basket. Next, please register on the [VIRTUS.ORG](https://www.virtus.org) website. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Jan Roman Gonzales at 530.307.0148. Thank you for applying to volunteer at Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Parish! Some of you have already completed your Diocese of Reno adult volunteer application form, and your pre-registration documents. If you have not pre-registered and completed all the documents on [VIRTUS.ORG](https://www.virtus.org), please do so prior to attending the next training. PRE-REGISTRATION is required through [VIRTUS.ORG](https://www.virtus.org). If you need the Diocese of Reno adult volunteer application form, they will be available at the training. Thank you and God bless!

Mass Intentions

Saturday	8	5pm	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Sunday	9	8:30am	Intentions of OLT Donors	
Sunday	9	10:30am	† Louis Horatio Huntington Jr	David and Stephanie Scott
Tuesday	11	5pm		
Wednesday	12	8:30am		
Thursday	13	8:30am		
Friday	14	8:30am		
Saturday	15	8:30am		

Last weekend's collection came to \$3,055. Donations are the financial lifeblood of the church. We ask that you continue this spirit of giving in not only your spiritual life but your personal and public lives as well, representing the enduring gifts of Jesus Christ. When we love, we demonstrate that love through sacrifice, and so often, sacrifice involves doing things that may not be comfortable on our own, but when it is done, many lives will be blessed as a result. Your giving is very much appreciated, and yes, we believe lives are being changed for the glory of God! Thank you for your sustained faithful stewardship!


THE BOOK of JAMES

Bible Study James, Pearls for Wise Living: Last week we studied faith and works and the importance of both for salvation. This week, we will study James 3:1-12 and bring our focus to practical applications. We start with the need to control our tongue. Please join us in the Parish Hall at 9:30 on Wednesday! "But no human being can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison." James 3:8

Lenten Reflections

Attention all ladies! The Women' Guild is hosting a Lenten Day of Reflection - The Last Seven Words of Christ. Save the Date! Saturday, April 5th, 8:30 AM-2:00 PM. More information coming soon!

**For God so loVed the world
That He gAve
His onLy
BegottEn
SoN
That whoever
Believeth In Him
Should Not perish
But have Everlasting life.
John 3:16**



*Fix your eyes on
Jesus.*

Happy Valentine's Day! There is a sale in the gift shop this weekend! All See's candy is discounted at 20% off. Stop by to get a sweet treat for your Valentine. While you are in the shop, we also have free coloring books of the saints for your little ones.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community welcomes and embraces all 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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