

Our Lady of Tahoe

Eighth 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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At the beginning of Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus poses a striking question to his disciples: "Can a blind person guide a blind person?" The answer is obvious, and his audience would have known it immediately. But Jesus is not speaking about physical blindness; he is addressing a far more dangerous condition—spiritual blindness. This kind of blindness distorts our vision, causing us to focus on the faults of others while ignoring our own. Such a perspective is not only harmful to ourselves, but also to those around us. We cannot share the light of faith if we willingly embrace the darkness of the world. Just as a student reflects the teachings of their master, a Christian must be a living reflection of Christ, radiating his light and truth.

<https://catholicnews.in/eighth-sunday-in-ordinary-time-luke-6-39-45-judging-others/>



At the beginning of the third century, as the Church grew stronger in North Africa, Roman Emperor Septimius Severus issued a decree forbidding subjects of the Roman Empire to convert. Those who did were given the opportunity to renounce their faith and honor the Roman gods. Those who refused were put to death. In 203 A.D., five catechumens preparing for baptism were arrested in the city of Carthage (modern-day Tunisia), including the two martyrs we honor today. Vibia Perpetua was a twenty-two-year-old married noblewoman. She had just given birth to a son whom she was still nursing. Her father was a pagan, her mother and a brother were baptized Christians, and a second brother was preparing for baptism alongside Perpetua. Arrested prior to her baptism, Perpetua was secretly baptized in prison. She resisted her father's pleas to renounce the faith so she could raise her son. To her joy, however, the infant was brought to her so she could nurse him. Felicity, a young slave, was pregnant at the time of her arrest. Spared the arena while pregnant, Felicity gave birth to her daughter in prison. Fellow Christians adopted the baby. When these brave women and the three male catechumens stood before their judge, Perpetua's father showed up with her baby, pleading with her to renounce Christ, save her life, and be there for her son. Perpetua refused her father's pleas and the judge's encouragement to save her life. All five were condemned to death by wild beasts. On the day of their martyrdom, Perpetua and Felicity walked to the arena with their fellow prisoners with heads high and joyful spirits. The three men were sent into the arena first to be devoured by a leopard, a wild boar, and a bear. Perpetua and Felicity were then placed in the arena, and a wild cow was let loose as a way of mocking them as nursing mothers. The beast gravely wounded them but did not kill them, so an executioner was dispatched. Perpetua encouraged her brother in his faith and then noticed the fear in the executioner's eyes. She guided his sword to her neck, and the young women received their eternal reward.

<https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/march-7-saints-perpetua-and-felicity-martyrs/#short>

Ash Wednesday (3/5/25) Special 2nd Collection

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

For decades, communism ruled over Central and Eastern Europe, including the republics of the Soviet Union, which spanned from Eastern Europe to the Pacific Ocean. Among these republics is Tajikistan, located in central Asia. Bordering China and Afghanistan, Tajikistan is now the poorest of the former Soviet republics. The economic hardships and a population that is 98% Muslim make Tajikistan a true mission territory for the Church. With a small Catholic presence, the Church in Tajikistan is an independent mission under the Holy Father, administered by priests from the Institute of the Incarnate Word and the sisters of the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará. Despite its modest size, this community has fostered the ordination of two native priests and the religious profession of a Tajik woman. With support from the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, the sisters continue their mission, educating children and providing them with essential resources. Through their works of mercy, they embody Christ's love. You can support their mission by donating to this special collection during its observance in our diocese. Please be generous in the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, where your gifts are restoring the Church and building the future. Thank you and God bless you.

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

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Daniel H. Mueggenborg
Bishop of Reno

Our Lady of Tahoe is hosting a CPR/ First Aid/ AED training on Tuesday, March 25th inside the parish hall from 11am - 4pm. The cost is \$95 per person and that includes hands-on and materials. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact Jan Roman-Gonzales. You can email her at janromangonzales@sbcglobal.net or call her at 530-307-0148. Please preregister for the course by Friday, March 21st.

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 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, please do so prior to attending the next training. PRE-REGISTRATION is required through 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	1	5pm	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	
Sunday	2	8:30am	† Dwaine Peetz	David and Stephanie Scott
Sunday	2	10:30am	† Welsey Hersom	Rosemarie Gurgui
Tuesday	4	5pm	Happy Birthday Tracie Banares!	Carminia Banares
Wednesday	5	8:30am	† Flutario and Rosita Mangosing	Marilyn and Flor Mangosing
Wednesday	5	5pm	† Fredrick Dross	The Meyers Community
Thursday	6	8:30am	Happy 60th Anniversary Curt and Jerry	Family and Friends
Friday	7	8:30am	† Anita Canonizado	The Ortiz Family
Saturday	8	8:30am	Happy 60th Anniversary Curt and Jerry	Family and Friends

Last weekend's collection came to \$2,390. 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!

Bible Study: This week we will cover James 4:11 through 5:6 which again will help us understand the emptiness inherent in following earthly (secular) wisdom instead of Godly wisdom. Begin living out your faith or you will find yourself empty-handed and not at all prepared for the Day of Judgement. Please join us! Wednesday 9:30am in the parish hall.

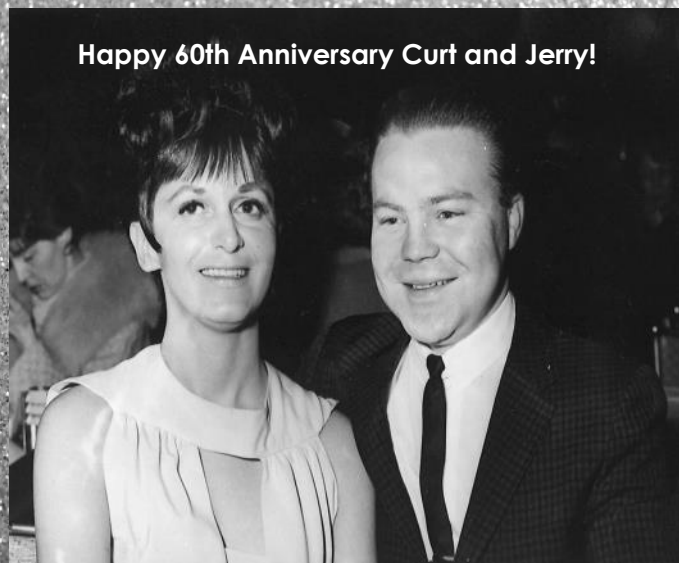
There is a meeting this Tuesday, March 4th for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers after the 5pm mass. Anyone interested may attend. You must be VIRTUS approved. Thank you!

"And do not neglect to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Hebrews 13:16

If anybody still has their palms from last year, kindly bring them with you when you attend mass. Ashes from these palms will be used on Ash Wednesday. A basket is located in the back of the Church. The mass times on Ash Wednesday (March 5) are 8:30am and 5pm and anyone who wishes to receive ashes throughout the day may stop by the office.

"I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes." Job 42:5-6

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



Happy 60th Anniversary Curt and Jerry!

Please join us Sunday, March 16th for our St. Patrick's Day Potluck! Doors open at 4pm and dinner is at 5. The menu includes corned beef, boiled potatoes, cabbage with appetizers and dessert to be provided by guests (there is a volunteer sign-up sheet available after mass). The cost is \$15 per person and children under 12 eat free! There will be a 50/50 raffle. Hope to see you there!

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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