

ST. VICTORIA PARISH FAMILY



Our Mission

“St. Victoria is a Catholic family inviting all to celebrate the Eucharist in the spirit of fellowship and love. We worship together, seek formation of youth, provide opportunities for spiritual growth and community involvement while reaching out to all as the face and hands of Jesus Christ.”

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 30, 2017

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Daily: Tuesday through Friday 8 a.m.

Communion Service: Monday - Friday 6:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday 6 p.m. or by appointment

Rosary: Tuesday - Friday 7:40 a.m.

St. Anthony Novena: Tuesday after Mass

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**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 30, 2017**

The readings for August 6

Feast of The Transfiguration of the Lord

Reading I: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Reading II: 2 Peter 1:16-19

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9



This feast calls to mind the glimpse of glory given to Peter, James and John when Jesus took them up a mountain to pray with Him. Imagine what it must have been like for these three fishermen to see Jesus, whom they had come to know as their leader and friend, as a preacher, teacher, wonderworker, exorcist, healer and forgiver of sins, suddenly transformed, radiant, brilliant, engaged in conversation with two of the greatest figures in their history, Moses and Elijah. For a few moments they saw Jesus in full glory, then heard a voice from heaven call him “my son,” telling them — and us — “listen to Him.” (Matthew 17:5). We also hear the prophet Daniel’s vision of God in heaven, the Ancient One, receiving someone called the Son of Man and “giving him dominion, glory and kingship” over all peoples and nations. (Daniel 7:14) This vision in Daniel captures Jesus’ final destiny, but first, there was the cross. Eucharist reminds us that we are destined for glory with Christ. But first we continue to live out the dying to selfishness and sin, thereby offering others glimpses into the glory yet to come.

Question of the Week

How are you being called to “listen to him?”

Baptism Information

- Baptisms are celebrated on designated weekends during all three Masses and after the 5 p.m. Saturday and 10:45 a.m. Sunday Masses. The next scheduled Baptisms will be celebrated August 12 and 13.
- **You may have two sponsors (Godparents), one man and one woman, or just one sponsor.** At least one sponsor must be a Confirmed, practicing Catholic and be at least 16 years old.
- Parents are required to have attended a Jordan Night within the previous five years **before** a scheduled Baptism is celebrated. The next Jordan Night (Baptism class) is **Thursday, September 21.** For information or to schedule a Baptism, contact Mary Harvey at mharvey@stvictoria.org or 443-2661 x206.

Communion at Home

If you, or someone you know, is unable to come to Mass on a weekday or weekend (surgery, accident, illness, etc.), parishioners who are a part of the **St. Victoria Pastoral Care Team** will be happy to bring Communion to your home. It can be a one-time only occasion or on-going for as long as you like. To arrange for Communion at home, please call **Mary Foster at 368-9405.**

Ministry of Spiritual Direction

Explore a closer relationship with God. Call Deb LeMay at 297-4255 or Craig Hamilton at 612-237-3463 for information and/or an appointment. Scholarships are available. Call the parish office for details.



...to be the face and hands of Jesus Christ

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, **August 1** — Leslie Schmieg (Anniv.) †

Wednesday, **August 2** — Joe Kunze †

Thursday, **August 3** — Bert Schmieg (Anniv.) †

Friday, **August 4** — Whitey Wellens †

Saturday, **August 5** — Victor and Evelyn Schneider †

Sunday, **August 6** — 8:45 a.m. Arthur and Isabel Jensen †
10:45 a.m. Parishioners of St. Victoria

In Memoriam

Justin John Nowak

December 6, 1990 — July 19, 2017

Sunset Fest

August 26, 2017

The best day of the summer is getting close! Make sure you’ve marked your calendar.

5K All Saints Run — OOPS It’s a 5K run not 5 miles.

Sign up for the first event of the day that starts at 9 a.m. from Lion’s Park and winds its way through Victoria. Children’s Run at 10 a.m. Sign-in starts at 8 a.m. Go to the St. Victoria website and click on the link to the registration site. If you are interested in volunteering, contact John Abel in the parish office.

All-You-Can-Eat Chicken Dinner — Tickets for a delicious dinner prepared by Hillcrest Catering go on sale next week after all the Masses (August 5 and 6). If you have lived in the Victoria area for any length of time and been at local weddings or other events, you’ve probably enjoyed a Hillcrest Chicken Dinner. They’re renown in this area! Dinner also will include desserts provided by St. Victoria bakers and a beverage. **New this year — you will be able to buy dinner tickets with your credit card.**

Before dinner, celebrate our annual outdoor Mass at 5 p.m. with our special guest Archbishop Hebda, Father Bob and Deacon Ray. After dinner there will be fun and games for all ages (including bingo) and music for listening and dancing.

Lucky 160 Raffle — Sorting out the Details.

- After Mass, pick up your packet of five raffle tickets to purchase or sell to family and friends. Tickets are \$20 each. There’s \$10,000 in cash prizes (\$5,000 grand prize) and \$525 in gift certificates. **And, after selling your five tickets you will receive coupons for local establishments worth more than \$150. Sell more tickets and get additional coupons.**
- Purchases of single tickets also includes five coupons worth more than the \$20 ticket price. You can’t lose if you use the coupons!
- **Tickets go on sale this weekend — be sure to pick up your packet after Mass.**

Reminder: We’ll be celebrating this year on the church grounds due to construction that is planned at Lion’s Park. We’re working out the details (everything fits!) and there’ll be ample parking both in our lot and across the street in the Lion’s Park lot. **But — we’ll need some volunteers** to be crossing guards and parking lot attendants. Call John Abel in the parish office if you can help out.



Why?

Currently a group of parishioners are participating in a Bible Study of the Book of Job. They are learning about Job, a righteous man who suffered great calamity and anguish. They are exploring the questions “Why do bad things happen to good people?” “How can it be that good people suffer and yet God is just?” For thousand of years, the profoundly moving story of Job has allowed people of faith to reflect on these mysteries, even in the midst of sorrow.

In the last year as a staff we have probably asked ourselves those very questions. A year ago, Julie Schmieg lost her sister when she died unexpectedly. Not too many months ago, my niece Elizabeth lost her husband of just eight months when he was killed in an automobile accident. And, last week, as many of you know, we mourned the tragic loss of Justin Nowak, husband of Elizabeth, our Music and Liturgy Director. We can't explain why these tragedies occur or why they seem to be in clusters.

What I can say is that they can serve to bring out the best in people and certainly in the members of my staff. We learned of Justin's death late in the day Wednesday, July 19. When I walked out to the altar to begin Mass on Thursday morning, I was stunned to see Elizabeth surrounded by many of her co-workers. It was the same when my niece buried her husband — the staff was there to support me and my family. And, I know Julie and her family were also surrounded by the love and support of her co-workers. We often talk about team work and helping each other — but often we do it best in times of need.

It's not to say that this has been a year of all sadness. We have hired two new and exceptionally capable employees — Eric Wahlund, our Maintenance Supervisor, and John Abel, our Director of Shared Ministries. We had a very successful mission during Lent, we celebrated our “official” 160th Anniversary, we hosted a pizza party to recognize our many ministries and the volunteers who make them successful and our annual Stewardship Campaign is drawing to an end and we've surpassed last year's figures. Not to be forgotten, a great Faith Formation year, Vacation Bible School, Summerfest and a wonderful mission trip to the Crow Reservation in Montana.

We've celebrated some personal milestones — we have a new great-grandmother (I think the first on the staff), there's a new grandbaby expected and we have a staff member who will soon be welcoming a new baby. Overall, we have had a good year, although we currently have a blip (another chance to demonstrate what teamwork means) as Emily Klinker recovers from a badly broken leg thanks to a moped accident. (Sometimes vacations prove to be more trouble than maybe they are worth?)

My point in this rambling piece, I think, is to say that yes, we are challenged, but prayer, love and helping one another can conquer the most troublesome challenges. *Fr. Bob*

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is every Thursday in the Historic Church beginning at 8:30 a.m. (after Daily Mass) and ending at 8 p.m. Jesus stays with us in the Blessed Sacrament to refresh us in mind and heart and spirit. **Chaplet of Divine Mercy follows.**

Summer Friday Outdoor Mass

Our Summer Friday Outdoor Mass on August 4 will be held at the home of Jerry and Ginny Peichel, 7205 Dahlgren Road, Chaska. Rosary at 7:40 a.m., Mass at 8 a.m. and social time follows. Everyone is welcome! (Please bring a lawn chair.)

Directions from St. Victoria: Turn right onto County Road 11 and then turn right onto County Road 10. Turn left onto County Road 43 and turn right onto Dahlgren Road. (466-9818)

Sharing and Caring Hands

Volunteers from St. Victoria will help serve a meal at Sharing and Caring Hands **Monday, August 21**. St. Victoria serves this ministry the third Monday of every month. If you would like to volunteer, or for more information, contact Coordinator Peter Taunton at 567-5990.

Reminder: The parish office closes at 2 p.m. on Fridays throughout the summer. 4 p.m. closing resumes on September 8.

Simpson Housing

St. Victoria volunteers will be preparing and serving dinner at Simpson Housing in Minneapolis on Sunday, August 20. Simpson Housing has provided help to those in need for 35 years. The shelter is open 365 days a year, providing meals and overnight shelter for homeless men and women. In addition to volunteering to help with this ministry, parishioners also are invited to donate new or gently used bath towels and face cloths, new or gently used twin-sized fitted and flat sheets, new or gently used blankets, new men's t-shirts and boxers (all sizes), disposable razors and travel-size shampoo. There is a labeled box on the coat rack in the Franciscan Commons for contributions. Contact Jan Wohlers at wohlershome@yahoo.com to volunteer or for information.

Elsewhere...

- **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat** August 4 to 6. If you, or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child or children through abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ at a weekend retreat. The retreat is open to anyone impacted by abortion — women, men, grandparents, siblings and health care professionals. For information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org or call 763-250-9313.
- **Charity Fishing Contest** on Lake Minnetonka sponsored by Tonka John State Farm, Catholic Charities and Dorothy Day House to raise funds to help people who are homeless on Saturday, Aug. 19, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Open to all ages; \$15 fee. Information and registration at www.planetreg.com/E6199532071149.
- **Guardian Angels Little Angels Preschool and Kindergarten** are sponsoring community events. Dance the hour away with our DJ, make a craft, and have a root beer float and much more. Register for prizes. Come once or to all. July 31 at Lions Park, Victoria 6:30 p.m., Aug. 3, Community Park, Chaska, 6:30 p.m., Aug. 8, Pioneer Park, Chaska, 6:30 p.m., Aug. 10, Lions Park, Chaska, 11 a.m., Aug. 15, McKnight Park, Chaska, 11 a.m.

Faith Formation

Important Upcoming Dates

- **July 29** Middle School Get-A-Way
- **August 19** Coffee and Conversation
- **August 23** Middle School Progressive Dinner
- **August 31** Senior High Comedy Sports Event

Adult Formation

Coffee and Conversation

We plan to continue our successful Coffee and Conversation Series on August 19 by reading and discussing C.S. Lewis' *Screwtape Letters*. In the meantime, do you have a suggestion for a book or topic for a later discussion? Send an email to Emily (or call her).

Stay tuned for details about a pilgrimage (not too far away) planned for this fall.

Faith Formation

Registration

Don't let the summer pass you by without registering your family for the 2017-18 Faith Formation season. All current Faith Formation families should have received an email from Emily. If you are not currently enrolled in Faith Formation, the registration information can be found on the parish website. Don't have kids in Faith Formation? You can still volunteer. Check out the reasons you might want to consider below.

Top Reasons to Become a Catechist

While you are enjoying some rest and relaxation on your deck or maybe at the beach, you might want to think about an invitation to become a Catechist with St. Victoria's Faith Formation Program.

- You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church and deepen your relationship with Jesus.
- Your baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry.
- Children, teens and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus.
- Children, teens and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to encounter good role models of faith.
- You have much to share with those you'll teach and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.
- Today's catechetical textbooks/resources offer outstanding support.
- Great support from the Faith Formation team.
- You'll be challenged, you'll have fun and you'll make new friends.
- You'll be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus (you'll be evangelizing!).
- You'll be handing down a 2000-year-old tradition that changes lives.
- It's our job — Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations"

Call the parish office and talk to a member of the Faith Formation Team to get more information and/or volunteer for the upcoming season.

**Blessings Emily Klinker, Sara Svenby
Ann Esping and Tanya Hisey**
(Our contact information is on Page One.)

Scholarships Awarded

Scholarships for members of St. Victoria's Catholic United Financial Council (which includes neighboring parishes) have been awarded for the 2017-2018 academic year. The recipients of the post-high school scholarships are: Tayler Amoe, Gavin Payne, Nicole Peitz and Robert Wulf. Tayler is the son of parishioners John and Donna and grandson of Wilbert and Darlene Kelzer. Gavin Payne is son of Byron and Jill and Nicole Peitz is the daughter of Ken and Lisa. Robert is the son of parishioners Bob and Mary Beth.

Since the beginning of the scholarship program, Catholic United Financial has awarded over 3.5 million dollars to over 9,900 deserving members.

Nazareth Hall History Project

Did you, or someone you know, attend or work at Nazareth Hall Preparatory Seminary? A Nazareth Hall History Project is underway and alumni, as well as former faculty and staff, are asked to share their memories about their time at Nazareth Hall and the impact it had on their lives — the classes, priests, activities, community life and more. Pictures and memorabilia, as well as yearbooks, are sought for this project. If you are willing to share your story or photos/memorabilia (or if you have questions), please email Nazareth.hall.history@gmail.com or call 612-440-6916 and leave your name and contact information.

Love INC Lunch Program Discontinued

Love INC (In the Name of Christ) of Eastern Carver County announced that the lunch program with District 112/Eastern Carver County schools to provide lunches and educational opportunities for children in need during the summer months was discontinued as of Friday, July 28, due to a lower than anticipated number of children served each day. Thank you to all who volunteered to help with the project.

Confirmation Classes for Individuals with Special Needs

Confirmation classes are available for people with special needs, or mental or physical disabilities, ages 16 and older. Classes are Saturdays, August 12 and August 26, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., at the Church of St. Richard in Richfield. Both classes are mandatory for parents or guardians and pre-registration is required. Candidates will be Confirmed during the Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities on Sunday, September 17. To register, call 651-291-4488 or email floMos@archspm.org.

Vatican Synod on Youth/Young Adults

Pope Francis is calling a general assembly (synod) of the bishops on the theme, "Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment" in October 2018. The Church wishes to listen to the voices of young people, their sensitivities, their faith, even their doubts and criticisms. Young adults ages 16 to 30 are encouraged to take a brief online survey. For more details, visit www.archspm.org/YoungAdultVoices.

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Parish Website is www.stvictoria.net

Stewardship Report

Stewardship Report for **July 22 and 23, Week 4** of our fiscal year :

Envelope Offering: \$ 11,637
Electronic Offering: 4,725
Total Membership Offering: 16,362

Thank you for using your envelopes.

Archdiocese Events

Leading With Faith Awards Luncheon to honor and celebrate the 2017 Leading With Faith winners is Thursday, August 10, at the University of St. Thomas. The awards will be presented by Archbishop Hebda. Check-in and complimentary beverage service at 11:30 a.m., luncheon at noon. Limited Space. Go to www.arch.org/LeadingFaithLunch for information. Call 651-251-7709 with questions or for reservations.

The Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute registration deadline is Monday, July 31. Go to www.CIstudent.com or call 651-962-5028 for information or to register.

A College Seminary Application Info Meeting for High School Seniors interested in entering seminary formation is August 15, 6:30 to 8 p.m., at St. John Vianney College Seminary. Parent(s) or guardian(s) are encouraged to attend. Contact the Office of Vocations at 651-962-6890. Register at www.10000vocations.org. RSVP is required.

Catholic Grandparent Conference Saturday, August 26, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at St. Vincent de Paul in Brooklyn Park. Go to www.catholicgrandparenting.org for information or to register.

Living Catholic Social Teaching, September 21 to December 14, will explore what is Catholic social teaching and how it should influence our daily lives. Sessions at the Church of Blessed Sacrament in East St. Paul. Deadline to register is September 11. Limited space. Information at jmhoffman@blessedsacramentsp.org,

Women's Scripture Study: Jesus Approaches is an eight-week Bible study led by local author and speaker Elizabeth Kelly based on her new book, *Jesus Approaches: What Today's Woman Can Learn about Healing, Freedom and Joy from the Women of the New Testament*. Studies are Tuesdays beginning September 19, 10:30 a.m. to noon at St. Bartholomew in Wayzata and evenings at the Church of St. Peter in Mendota. \$60 per person. Information and registration at archspm.org/events.

Champion for Life Awards nominations being accepted by the Archdiocese. Do you know someone who devotes his or her time helping the poor, elderly, disabled, pregnant, or is committed to praying for Respect for Life issues? He or she may be the next St. John Paul II Champion for Life. Information and nominations at archspm.org/C4L.

Noontime Organ Series presented by the Church of the Holy Spirit in St. Paul as part of their 80th Anniversary celebration. Free noontime concerts in the church featuring duets and solos performed by organist Chuck Lenz and pianist Monica Degeneffe on July 26, August 2 and 9, from noon to 12:30 p.m. Refreshments following. Themes for the concerts are Suites, Spirituals, Waters and Patriotic. Concerts are open to the public.

**Thank you for sharing your time, talent
and treasure with St. Victoria.**

Ministry Schedule

August 5 and 6

Sacristans

5 p.m. Tim Amundsen
8:45 a.m. Chris and Judy Sones
10:45 a.m. Tom and Becky Tinucci

Lector

5 p.m. Leslie Becker
8:45 a.m. Paul Kohls
10:45 a.m. Lisa McColman

Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m. Mike and Hailey Amundsen, Tom and Dianne Leahy, Roger Osweiler, Katharine Paulsen, Rose Rooney, Nancy Schmieg, Sue Schrempp, Carol Spalding, Karl and Patty Tauscher
8:45 a.m. Adrienne Carrica, Dan and Marguerite Dummer, Jim and Betti Igel, Roger Jackels, Sharon Lauwagie, Mary Ann LaValle, Pat Moore, Jim and Debbie Moss, Laura Synstegaard
10:45 a.m. George Barker, Mary Catino, Marty Dentinger, Diane Forsythe, Joan Klinger, Michelle Kunze, Louise Lehner, Kerry Leopold, Annette Smyser, Erv and Linda Spevacek, Carol Trantow

Greeter/Usher

5 p.m. Randy, Jacque and Daniella Krause, Gary Sohns, LeRoy and Margaret Worm
8:45 a.m. Robert Diethelm, Eric Hanson, David Kirsch, Mark Lund, Dave and Rose Williams
10:45 a.m. Janet Bergeron, Ted and Carole Chalgren, Al Lehner, Greg Pavett, Bryan Saathoff

Servers

5 p.m. Laura Contreras, Grant Hayes, Nicholas Salwei
8:45 a.m. Lydia Jackels, Nick Payne, Ethan Weinandt
10:45 a.m. Ava Kunze, Joe and Nathan Tinucci

Sound

5 p.m. Phillip Smith
8:45 a.m. Tim Woodfield
10:45 a.m. Mitchell Holman

Team Isaiah

5 p.m. Jim Becker, Tom and Marty Cashman, Elizabeth Contreras, Monica Grengs, David and Kristen Kowalski, Paula Osweiler
8:45 a.m. Jim, Wendi and Jakob Alessio, Melissa Kreil, Brigid Lund, Scott and Debbie Monson, Debbie Nolan, Ralph and Nancy Rezac, John Sweeney
10:45 a.m. Lucia Barker, David, LuAnn and Anthony Burandt, Pat and Kelly McClellan, Eric and Christina Nelson, Rick and Mary Richter, Dick and Kathy Sether

Music

5 p.m. Cantor Caroline Swanson —
Acc. Ameer Gallagher
8:45 a.m. Cantor Lisa Payne —
Acc. Sharon Schindler
10:45 a.m. Cantor Maria Glynn — Acc. Ameer Gallagher

There is Children's Liturgy of the Word on August 6.

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