

# 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.”

## Easter Sunday April 16, 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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## Easter Sunday

April 16, 2017

### The readings for April 23

Sunday of Divine Mercy  
(Second Sunday of Easter)

Reading I: Acts 2:42-47

Reading II 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

These readings center on faith. Acts tells us the early community of believers took the Gospel to heart and formed their lives on its message. Peter writes to encourage the newly baptized Christians who faced hostility. And the Gospel tells the story of Thomas. He insists upon physical evidence before he believes. He doubts, but Jesus knows this and speaks to him through his doubts. He recognizes Thomas as one who can believe and he calls him to faith. The Gospel writer encourages his audiences to believe in Jesus even though they haven't actually seen him.



### Question of the Week

Do you ever identify with Thomas in your spiritual life? How do you handle periods of doubt?

### Welcome to St. Victoria

If you are a visitor this holiday weekend at St. Victoria, welcome. If you would like information on becoming a registered parishioner at St. Victoria, please feel free to contact Julie Schmiege in the parish office. She will be happy to line up an appointment for you at one of our upcoming "Bien Venidos" registration dates for new parishioners. (Bien Venidos means good welcome.) You may reach Julie at [jschmiege@stvictoria.org](mailto:jschmiege@stvictoria.org) or 443-2661 x201. **(Please Note:** If you are a guest at St. Victoria and would like to make a contribution, you will find "Welcome Envelopes" in the kiosk in the Commons.)

### 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.**

### 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 May 13 and 14.
- **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, May 4.** Contact Mary Harvey at [mharvey@stvictoria.org](mailto:mharvey@stvictoria.org) or 443-2661 x206 for information and/or to schedule a Baptism.

### Mass Intentions

Tuesday, **April 18** — Dorothy Kelzer  
 Wednesday, **April 19** — Family of Jerry and Gerda Schmiege  
 Thursday, **April 20** — George and Theresa Schmiege †  
 Friday, **April 21** — Evelyn Schneider †  
 Saturday, **April 22** — Rose Krauth †  
 Sunday, **April 23** — 8:45 a.m. Alfred and  
 Mary Ann Nordaune †  
 10:45 a.m. Parishioners of St. Victoria

### Archbishop Harry Flynn Catechetical Institute

Come discover the plan that will transform your work, your marriage, your family, your community . . . your life! This fall, the Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute will offer a two-year course in two different locations. Classes will be held at Mary, Mother of the Church in Burnsville on Monday evenings and at the Church of St. Andrew in Elk River on Tuesday evenings. Taught by some of the best instructors in the Twin Cities, including Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Jeff Cavins, Deacon Joe Michalak, Fr. John Klockeman, Dr. Bill Stevenson, Fr. Peter Williams, Christina Smith, Alyssa Bormes, and more, the program follows the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* and will help you make sense of all things Catholic. Classes are divided into four 11-week modules with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module. Applications are now being accepted through July 1 for the class beginning in September. For more information and an application, visit [www.CIstudent.com](http://www.CIstudent.com) or call 651-962-5028.

### Enjoy Creating Art? Need Service Hours?

Volunteers are needed to assist in cutting and assembling doves and flames for an upcoming environment piece for the Worship Space. Material and instructions will be provided. Volunteers may work in the parish office or take a stack of paper home to accompany your evening television routine. Contact Elizabeth Nowak at [enowakstv@gmail.com](mailto:enowakstv@gmail.com) or 443-2661 x207 if interested.

### Ministry of Spiritual Direction

Call Deb LeMay at 297-4255 or Craig Hamilton at 612-237-3463 for information and/or an appointment to learn more about spiritual direction, an ancient process of accompanying people in their spiritual journey toward grace, freedom and peace. Scholarships are available. Call the parish office for details.

### Calling All Grandparents

Come experience God's merciful love for you. A 10-week series for Catholic grandparents will be offered at the Church of St. Joseph in Rosemount on Wednesdays, 9 to 10:30 a.m. beginning April 19. Fr. Michael Gaith, MIC, calling on history, Scripture, prophecy and the lives of the saints will share how amazing historical events of the past 500 years, connect to reveal the deeply personal spiritual reality of God's merciful love culminating now in our lifetime. The cost is \$25 per person or \$30 per couple (if sharing materials). Go to <http://www.stjosephcommunity.org> for information or to register.

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



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



## Welcome

It was my pleasure to welcome four adults and two children into our Catholic Faith at our Easter Vigil Service Saturday evening. The adults all completed RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) sessions and the children completed RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children).

### Receiving Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist:

- Angela (Angie) Casper. Her sponsor was Roger Casper.

### Receiving Confirmation and Eucharist:

- Kelly Houseman. Her sponsor was Kris Janey.
- Colleen Stanley. Her sponsor was Chris Stanley.
- Christopher (Chris) Vanek. His sponsor was Allison Vanek.

### The Children were:

Kaitlyn and Jacob Bailey. Kaitlyn was Baptized and Jacob received all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Their parents are Amy and Jim Bailey and their sponsors were Lori and Mike Jorgenson.

On this Easter Sunday, I welcome everyone to St. Victoria, sharing my best wishes and prayers on this joyful day. The following poem was written by Isaac Watts, an English 15th Century Christian Minister, writer and theologian. (Watts based this poem on Psalm 118.)

### *Hosanna, The Lord's Day*

*This is the day the Lord hath made, He calls  
the Hours his own;*

*Let heav'n rejoice, let earth be glad,  
And praise surround the throne.*

*And Satan's empire fell, today the saints his triumphs  
spread, and all his wonders tell.*

*Hosanna to the anointed king; to David's holy son; help us,  
O Lord; descend and bring Salvation from thy throne.*

*Blest be the Lord, who comes to men with messages of  
grace; who comes in God his Father's name  
to save our sinful race.*

*Hosanna in the highest strains. The church on earth  
can raise; the highest heav'ns, in which he reigns,  
shall give him nobler praise.*

**Fr. Bob**



### Eucharistic Adoration

**There is Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday in the Historic Church beginning at 8:30 a.m. (after Daily Mass) and ending at 8 p.m.** The Lord loves it when you take time to express your gratitude to Him. **Chaplet of Divine Mercy Follows.**

## Sharing and Caring Hands

Volunteers from St. Victoria will help serve a meal at Sharing and Caring Hands **Monday, April 17**. 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.

## Simpson House

**Sunday, April 23**, St. Victoria volunteers will prepare and serve a meal at Simpson House in Minneapolis for guests (men and women) who are homeless. Donations of new/gently used bath towels and face cloths, new/gently used flat and fitted twin-size sheets, pillow cases, new men's and women's underwear, socks and t-shirts, disposable razors, travel-size toothpaste and shampoo also are collected. Donations may be left in the parish office or in the marked box on the coat rack in the Commons. Volunteers participate in the ministry approximately once every six weeks. To volunteer April 23, a future date or for information, contact Jan Wohlers at wohlershome@yahoo.com.

## Cemetery Flowers and Plants

Weather permitting, you may now begin placing fresh and artificial flowers in the cemetery. Please remember — everything must be placed either in a standing pot or on a shepherd's hook. Nothing may be placed on or planted in the ground. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Elsewhere...

- **Bring Back the Funk Boogie Blast** to support St. Joseph School, Saturday, April 22. Dinner, drinks, dancing and silent and live auctions. Fundraiser for the school. Tickets are \$25 and available at <http://bidpal.net/stjoes2017> or in the school office. More info at [www.facebook.com/stjoesboogieblast/](http://www.facebook.com/stjoesboogieblast/).
- **West Suburban Grief Coalition** meets on Thursdays at Spirit of Hope United Methodist Church in Golden Valley. Registration and refreshments at 4 p.m., Devotions and speaker at 4:30 p.m. and 5 to 6 p.m. grief break-out sessions. Call Jody Grande at 763-545-0239 for info.
- **Join Spring Track Club** at Holy Family Catholic High School for a 5-week skill-building and competition clinic, April 17 to May 20. Students grades 5 through 8 are invited to training with Holy Family FIRE Track and Field Coaches two or three days per week, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Information and registration at <http://www.hfchs.org/firecamps>.
- **Therese: The Story of a Soul**, a one-woman live drama performed by Audrey Ahern of Saint Luke Productions is Saturday, April 22, at Mary Queen of Peace Church in Rogers. Parishioners across the Archdiocese are invited to this moving production sharing the life of one of the most popular saints of modern times, St. Therese of Lisieux.
- **85th Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention**, Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22, Church of St. Odilia in Shoreview. \$35 for one day, \$60 for both days. Archbishop Hebda celebrating Mass on Friday. Information and registration at [www.accwarchspm.org](http://www.accwarchspm.org) or call Carole Hedlund at 445-3061.



# Faith Formation

## Important Upcoming Dates

- **April 19** — 10th Grade Parent, Student and Sponsor meeting
- **April 19** — Faith Formation K-8
- **April 22** — First Communion Retreat
- **April 22/23** Faith Fest
- **April 23** — Confirmation Sending Mass
- **April 23** — Children's Liturgy of the Word
- **April 24** — Confirmation
- **April 26** — Last night of Faith Formation K-8
- **April 30** — Children's Liturgy of the Word
- **May 3** — First Communion Rehearsal
- **May 6/7** — First Communion
- **May 11** — Catechist Appreciation
- **May 14** — Mother's Day Rose Sale
- **May 21** — High School Graduation Celebration

## Adult Ministry

### Coffee and Conversation

Our next Coffee and Conversation is Saturday, May 13, 9:30 to 11 a.m. We'll discuss the popular movie and book *The Shack*.

**Be sure to follow us on Facebook for a recap of our Triduum and Easter.**

## Faith Formation

### 4th and 5th Grade Overnight

We have a fun overnight event coming up for the 4th and 5th Grade children of our parish. We will have a lot of fun and games to get to know each other and grow in our faith. We also have a couple fun Lego activities planned. The event will run Friday, May 5, at 6 p.m. until Saturday, May 6, at 9 a.m. And don't worry – we will sleep! Registrations are available on the parish website. Questions? Contact Sara in the parish office.

### Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Now that you've got your calendars marked for Monday, June 19, through Friday, June 23, for VBS, please think about how you can help out with this fun event. We can always use extra hands to make all the magic happen! The week of VBS we need adults to help out as station leaders as well as small group leaders. And the week before VBS, June 12 to 16, there is a lot of work that needs to be done to prepare the stations and decorate the spaces. If you can give a little time throughout the week, even just an hour or two, we could use your helping hands. Please let Sara know if you can help out or if you have any questions.

### Sacramental Reminders

We are quickly approaching sacraments for our children and youth. Please keep them in your prayers as they complete their formation to receive the sacraments.

The **First Communion Retreat** is **April 22**. Rehearsal is May 3. First Communion Masses are May 6 and 7.

The **10th Grade Parents, Students and Sponsors Confirmation Evening** is **April 19**. Rite of Sending is April 23. Confirmation is April 24.

## Youth Ministry

### Come Join Us!

Thanks to the many teens and adults who have been involved in our Youth Ministry activities this year. We've had a blast. Your energy, spirit, and willingness to serve one another is inspiring. We're looking forward to an awesome summer. All are welcome and invited to join us. Here's a few highlights, but check out the website for the full calendar and to register.

- May 10: First Group - Sr. High Youth Group, 7-9 p.m.
- May 17: Middle Group - Middle School Youth Group, 6 to 8 p.m.
- June 19 to 23: VBS Youth Leadership, 9 a.m. to noon
- June 24 to July 1: Mission Trip to Crow Reservation, MT
- June 21: Splashfest Waterpark trip (Grades 6 to 12), Noon to 5 p.m.
- July 9 to 12: Summer Festival Sr. High Camp
- July 30/31 – Middle School Get-A-Way

### Mission Trip

Our next Mission Trip and Senior High Youth Group gathering is May 10, 7 to 9 p.m. All are welcome to join us, whether you are going on the trip this year or not. We ask for prayers for each of our 35 mission trip participants as we embark on our trip to serve those on the Crow Reservation in Montana, June 24 – July 1.

### Confirmation

Confirmation of our 10th Graders is rapidly approaching and we ask for prayers for each of our 52 students as they embrace being a disciple for Christ in our Catholic Church. All 10th Grade students, parents, and sponsors should plan to join us for the final 10th Grade Confirmation Retreat on April 19, 7:30 to 9:10 p.m. We also are looking forward to presenting our Confirmation Candidates to the parish at the Sending Mass on April 23 at 10:45 a.m. Confirmation families and "prayer partners" are invited to a small reception after this Mass. Confirmation is at the Basilica of St. Mary on Monday, April 24. We can't wait.

### Readings for Sunday, April 16

1st Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

Responsorial: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Excerpt from *Ascend* by Life Teen about the readings:

The reason Easter Sunday is so sweet is precisely because Good Friday is so bitter. Jesus had to rise from the dead to pay our ransom and secure our salvation. **This** is not just good news, it is great news and deserves an Alleluia only after we realize the magnitude of this reality. Praise be to God!

+ **Question:** Easter is about joy. What on this earth makes you the most joyful? A sport? A subject in school? Being with a certain person? Why?

+ **Challenge for the week:** Easter is a time of feasting, not fasting. Do something this week that makes you truly joyful. Whether that is reading a book in a windowsill, hiking, or being with family, do something that makes you thrive. Glorify God in whatever you do by thanking Him for the peace and joy you experience.

Blessings . . .

**Emily Klinker, Sara Svenby,  
Ann Esping and Tanya Hisey**

**(Please see our contact information on the cover.)**

# Stewardship Report

Stewardship Report for **April 1 and 2, Week 40**, of our fiscal year:

Envelope Offering: \$ 25,930  
Electronic Offering: 13,880  
Total Membership Offering: 39,810

*Thank you for using your envelopes.*

## Rummage Sale

The annual St. Victoria Rummage Sale, sponsored by Catholic United Financial, is May 4 (7 a.m. to 7 p.m.) and Friday, May 5, (bag day), 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. The annual fundraiser benefits St. Victoria education.

- **Drop-off** dates are Sunday, April 30, (noon to 7 p.m.) Monday and Tuesday, May 1 and 2, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (No large furniture items, computers or micro-wave ovens will be accepted.)
- **Set-up** is Wednesday, May 3. **No donations will be accepted.** Please think about helping with set-up starting right after 8 a.m. Daily Mass. Stay for lunch and fellowship when the work is done!
- **Clean-up** starts at 3 p.m. on Friday, May 5.

## Volunteers are needed everyday!

**Please Note:** All unclaimed and unmarked dishes and pans left after funerals and unclaimed items in the Lost and Found Box will be donated to the rummage sale.

## Scholarship Requests

Requests for scholarships are now being accepted from active St. Victoria parishioners who have been registered members of St. Victoria for at least six months and who do not otherwise qualify for a tuition discount or subsidy by reason of also being a member of the host school's parish. Parents who qualify may submit a scholarship request (found on the parish website) annually to request tuition assistance for children who are enrolled in Grades 1 through 8 in a neighboring Catholic School for the coming year. All completed request forms must be received by Deacon Ray in the parish office before June 1, 2017, to be considered for scholarship aid for the 2017/2018 school year. **Due to budgeting requirements, no late scholarship requests will be considered.** All scholarships will be disbursed, in equal amounts (as funds allow) directly to the school on a quarterly basis, provided students remain enrolled.

## Minnesota FoodShare

Thanks to your generosity we donated nearly 750 pounds of food and household items to Bountiful Basket Emergency Foodshelf in Chaska during the annual Minnesota FoodShare March campaign. In addition, the Foodshelf received a \$1,974 tithing from St. Victoria. Again, thank you for your generosity.

## Mass for Those Who Are Homebound

If you, or a family or friend, is unable to get to church because of age, illness, or other struggles, every Sunday Heart of the Nation televises Catholic Mass at 9:30 a.m. on WUCW (CW) channel 23. Included are prayer intentions from viewers, uplifting homilies and a Prayer for Spiritual Communion during distribution of the Holy Eucharist. Closed captioning is available and you also can watch Mass online by going to [www.heartofthenation.org](http://www.heartofthenation.org).

# Ministry Schedule

## April 22 and 23

### Sacristans

5 p.m. John and Melody Hintzen  
8:45 a.m. Sue Halverson, Linnea Lynum  
10:45 a.m. Tom and Becky Tinucci

### Lector

5 p.m. Michon Conklin  
8:45 a.m. Joyce Diethelm  
10:45 a.m. Erv Spevacek

### Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m. David and Jessica Bruns, Anne Fowler, Tom and Dianne Leahy, Mary Moore, Dennis Oas, Roger Osweiler, Ken Pavett, Carol Spalding, Bobby and Mary Beth Wulf  
8:45 a.m. Mary Bishop, Rita Daly, Dan and Marguerite Dummer, Connor Glynn, Roger Jackels, Mike Kokesh, Ruth Kroening, Michael Lanners, Mary Ann LaValle, Dave and Ellen Roan  
10:45 a.m. Mary Catino, Marty Dentinger Sam Fellingner, Marcus Hoffman, Kerry Leopold, Linda Lindeman, Cherie McGraw, Debra McMillan, Kathryn Paradise, Anna Shay, Linda Spevacek, Carol Trantow

### Greeter/Usher

5 p.m. Gary and Anne Delaney, Connor and Jeff Fowler, Gary Sohns, Rick Stucki  
8:45 a.m. Doug and Susan Hines, Chris and Cheryl Mach, Dave and Rose Williams  
10:45 a.m. Sam Deweese, Mark and Mary Kelly, Greg Pavett, William and Bryan Saathoff

### Servers

5 p.m. Grace Fowler, Ann Hausmann, Grant Hayes  
8:45 a.m. Lydia Jackels, Nate Nicklaus, Nick Payne  
10:45 a.m. Amelia McGraw, Joe and Nathan Tinucci

### Sound

5:00 p.m. Phillip Smith  
8:45 a.m. Scott Johnson  
10:45 a.m. Joseph Klinker

### Music

5 p.m. Cantor Elizabeth Nowak —  
Acc. Sharon Schindler  
8:45 a.m. Cantor Lisa Payne — Acc. Amee Gallagher  
10:45 a.m. Agape Singers — Acc. Amee Gallagher

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

8:45 a.m. Ann Eilertson, Kaihley Bosch,  
Ellie Snuggerud  
10:45 a.m. Erin Wohlers, Grace Heimdahl

## Love INC Volunteer Opportunity

Love INC (Love in the Name of Christ) is looking for volunteers to help in its Clearinghouse. Volunteers answer telephone requests for help, assess and analyze a client's needs and then make appropriate referrals to the various Love INC ministries and partner organizations.

Volunteers must have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, agree with the Apostle's Creed and be available to commit to one 2.5 hour shift each week. The ability to speak Spanish is a plus, but not required. Call Love INC at 448-2508 for more information and an application