

# 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.”

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 23, 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

**Marriage:** call nine months in advance, 443-2661

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## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 23, 2017

### The readings for July 30

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Reading I:* 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

*Reading II:* Romans 8:28-30

*Gospel:* Matthew 13:44-52



This Gospel speaks of true wisdom, a priceless treasure to be sought with all one's heart. In the first comparison Jesus uses, a man discovers a treasure that was so valuable that he "sold all he had and bought the field." In the second comparison a pearl merchant discovers a pearl worth more than all his other possessions. Common to both stories is the marvel of discovering such a prize and giving everything to gain possession of it. The point of both parables is that gaining the treasure of God's saving love is worth any sacrifice.

### Question of the Week

What are you willing to "pay" or "give up" in order to possess what is valuable to you?

### Welcome to St. Victoria

If you are a visitor at St. Victoria, welcome. If you would like information on becoming a registered parishioner at St. Victoria, please feel free to contact Julie Schmieg 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 [jschmieg@stvictoria.org](mailto:jschmieg@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.)

### 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](mailto: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.**



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

### Mass Intentions

Tuesday, **July 25** — Marilyn Timmermann †

Wednesday, **July 26** — Irene Schneider †

Thursday, **July 27** — Marie Schneider †

Friday, **July 28** — Joseph Smith †

Saturday, **July 29** — Cora Vogel †

Sunday, **July 30** — 8:45 a.m. Living and Deceased Members  
of Catholic United Financial  
10:45 a.m. Parishioners of St. Victoria

### Sunset Fest

August 26 will be here before you know it! Will you be ready? You don't want to miss our annual Sunset Fest, the best celebration of summer!

**5 Mile All Saints Run** — 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. 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.

**Lucky 160 Raffle** — 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. There's also over \$150 in local coupons included with every ticket purchased. You can't lose if you use the coupons! **Tickets go on sale this weekend — be sure to pick up your packet after Mass.**

**All-You-Can-Eat Chicken Dinner** — Tickets for a delicious dinner prepared by Hillcrest Catering go on sale next week after all the Masses. 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.

Before dinner, celebrate our annual outdoor Mass 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.

**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.

### Collecting Sewing Machines

Shepherd of the Hill Church in Chaska is collecting sewing machines for a Ugandan mission to empower women to break the cycle of poverty, increase self-reliance and transform them spiritually and socio-economically. Sewing machines of any vintage, type and condition will be accepted. Please call 448-3882 to make arrangements to drop off a sewing machine.

### 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.



### Stewardship Campaign

We are in week 12 of our 2017/2018 Stewardship Campaign and here are the most current numbers:

Stewardship — \$692,925 with 329 parishioner pledges.

Debt Reduction — \$ 89,234 with 128 parishioner pledges.

We are ahead of the totals for stewardship pledges at this point in 2016, but slightly behind in debt reduction pledges. Thank you for your generosity and remember, we will still gratefully accept additional pledges at any time.

### Words from the Pope

Pope Francis spoke before the Diocese of Rome recently and I found his words interesting and helpful for parents in this crazy, technological world we live in today.

He said, "Instead of pretending to be adolescents, parents must help young people see the blessing of growing into adulthood."

He said the belief that youthfulness is a model of success "is one of the most dangerous, unwitting menaces in the education of our adolescents and that it hinders their personal growth because adults have taken their place. This can increase a natural tendency young people have to isolate themselves or curb their process of growth because they have no role models."

The pope said the first step in reaching out to young people is to speak concretely rather than in general or abstract terms that do not speak to teens' problems.

He also said that families must face the challenge of educating their children in an "uprooted society" where people are disconnecting from their roots and feel no sense of belonging. "In an uprooted culture, an uprooted family is a family without a history and without memory. "Although social networking allows more people to connect and feel part of a group, its virtual nature can also create a certain alienation where people feel they have no roots, they belong to no one."

He continued, "If we want our children to be formed and prepared for tomorrow they need to connect, to know their roots." The Pope suggested that parents should make time for their children to talk with their grandparents who have the gift of passing on faith, history and belonging with wisdom. "Given the opportunity, grandparents can give young people the sense of belonging that they need."

The Pope also said educators, along with schools, parishes and youth movements, can take a pivotal role in helping young people feel challenged so they can achieve their goals and all can help grow within them "the life of the spirit of Jesus" and to help them learn to enjoy the life that God has given them.

**HATS OFF . . .** And thank you to **Connie Jeurissen** for her help in weeding and **Lee Metzger** for helping Eric Wahlund fix some of our lighting.

*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.** The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Worship. **Chaplet of Divine Mercy follows.**

### Summer Friday Outdoor Mass

Our Summer Friday Outdoor Mass on July 28 will be held at the home of Andy and Stacy Reiff, 1610 Wedgemere Point, Victoria. 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 Deer Run Drive. Take the second right onto Wedgemere Drive. At the bottom of the hill turn left onto Wedgemere Point. The Reiff residence is the corner house on the left. (612-396-4391)

**Note:** The parish office will be closed on Thursday, July 27, for staff development.

**Summer Friday Hours:** The parish office will close at 2 p.m. on Fridays until Labor Day.

### Simpson Housing

St. Victoria volunteers will be preparing and serving dinner at Simpson Housing on August 20. In the meantime, donations of new or gently used bath towels and face cloths, new or gently used twin-sized fitted and flat sheets, new or gently-used blankets, men's t-shirts and boxers (all sizes), disposable razors and travel-size shampoo are needed. There is a labeled box on the coat rack in the Franciscan Commons for contributions. Thank you! (Simpson Housing provides meals and overnight shelter for homeless men and women.)

### NFP Awareness Week

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week is a national educational campaign sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to celebrate God's vision for marriage and to promote the methods of Natural Family Planning. Find more details and a Novena at [www.archspm.org/NFPAwarenessWeek](http://www.archspm.org/NFPAwarenessWeek).

### Don't Be Burdened Any Longer

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 Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities retreat August 4 to 6. Retreats are open to anyone impacted by abortion — women, men, grandparents, siblings and health care professionals. For information contact Nancy at [rachels@rvineyardmn.org](mailto:rachels@rvineyardmn.org) or call 763-250-9313.

## Elsewhere...

- **Chaska River City Days Pancake Breakfast** sponsored by Love INC, Sunday, July 30.
- **Julifest** at St. Mark's in Shakopee on July 29 (polka Mass at 5 p.m., festivities 6-11 pm) and July 30 (Mass at 10 a.m., festivities start at 11 a.m.) Come for Mass; stay for food, games, art, crafts, quilts, baked goods, bingo, kid's games, and lots more.
- **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](http://www.planetreg.com/E6199532071149).

# Faith Formation

## Important Upcoming Date

- **July 29** Middle School Get-A-Way

## 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' *Screwtop Letters*. Watch for more information. 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

### Emojis

Next weekend (July 28), the Emoji Movie hits the theaters. The characters in "Textopolis" only have one face, but in our Catholic Christian Faith we can take something as simple as an Emoji and make it into a prayer with multiple expressions. So, we thought we would share an Emoji Prayer with you to pray with your family whether or not you go see the movie.

## EMOJI PRAYER REMINDERS



PRAY FOR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WHO IS SAD AND ASK GOD TO COMFORT THEM.



THANK GOD FOR YOUR FAMILY AND THE PEOPLE WHO LOVE YOU.



PRAY FOR SOMEONE WHO IS HURT AND ASK GOD TO HELP THEM GET BETTER.



THANK GOD FOR GIVING YOU FRIENDS AND PEOPLE WHO MAKE YOU LAUGH.



ASK GOD TO HELP YOU FORGIVE SOMEONE WHO MAKES YOU ANGRY.



PRAISE GOD FOR THE BEAUTIFUL WORLD HE HAS MADE ALL AROUND US.



PRAY FOR SOMEONE WHO IS SICK AND ASK GOD TO HELP THEM FEEL BETTER.



THANK GOD FOR GIVING YOU CLOTHES TO WEAR AND A PLACE TO LIVE.

## 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.

## Youth Ministry

### Keep Calm and Glow in the Dark

A "Get-Away" is planned for July 29 starting at noon until 7 a.m. on July 30. Come for night games, Minute to Win It, late night Mass with Fr. Bob, service projects, prizes and more. Don't miss this once-a-year event. The cost is \$30; Youth Leadership Team cost is \$25. Register at [www.stivictoria.org](http://www.stivictoria.org). Questions? Contact Ann or Tanya.

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

## 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](mailto:Nazareth.hall.history@gmail.com) or call 612-440-6916 and leave your name and contact information.

## Volunteer Opportunity

Wedding Bells offer a unique volunteer opportunity. All couples planning their weddings at St. Victoria are assigned a wedding coordinator. The coordinators meet with their couple one or two times to help them make plans for their special day, conduct their wedding rehearsal and are with the couple and the wedding party at the wedding. Each wedding requires about six hours of a coordinator's time and the coordinators are free to sign-up for weddings that fit their schedules/calendars. Training is provided. If this sounds like a ministry you would enjoy, contact Elizabeth Nowak or Mary Harvey in the parish office. (Maybe you have a friend who also might enjoy this ministry and you could be a team!)

## 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](http://www.archspm.org/YoungAdultVoices).

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

# Stewardship Report

Stewardship Report for **July 15 and 16, Week 3** of our fiscal year :

Envelope Offering: \$ 12,929  
Electronic Offering: 8,177  
Total Membership Offering: 21,106

**Tithing:** \$2,110 for St. Victoria's St. Vincent de Paul Fund  
**Second Collection for Debt Reduction:** \$3,513

*Thank you for using your envelopes.*

## Archdiocese Events

**Leading With Faith Awards Luncheon** to honor and celebrate the 2017 Leading With Faith winners on 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. Space is limited so register now at [www.arch.org/LeadingFaithLunch](http://www.arch.org/LeadingFaithLunch) and/or to see the list of 2017 winners. The cost is \$35 per person or \$280 for a table of eight. Contact Mary Wiebusch at 651-251-7709 with questions or for reservations.

**The Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute** is a two-year course 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. The program follows the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Classes are divided into four 11-week modules with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module. Visit [www.CIstudent.com](http://www.CIstudent.com) or call 651-962-5028 for information or to register. Applications accepted through July 31.

**A College Seminary Application Info Meeting** is planned for High School Seniors interested in entering seminary formation for the Archdiocese. The meeting is August 15, 6:30 to 8 p.m., at St. John Vianney College Seminary. Parent(s) or guardian(s) encouraged to attend. Contact the Office of Vocations at 651-962-6890. Register at [www.10000vocations.org](http://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. Learn about God's plan for grandparents to pass on a heritage of faith. Go to [www.catholicgrandparenting.org](http://www.catholicgrandparenting.org) for information, names of speakers and/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. Learn to evaluate whether our political, economic and social choices conform to the Gospels and to better understand the fundamentals of Social Doctrine of the Church and how to apply them in today's challenging world. Sessions at the Church of Blessed Sacrament in East St. Paul. Deadline to register is September 11. Limited space. Information at [jmhoffman@blessedsacramentsp.org](mailto: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. Details and registration at [archspm.org/events](http://archspm.org/events). Contact Susanna Bolle at 651-291-4411 with questions.

**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. To submit a nomination or for more information, go to [archspm.org/C4L](http://archspm.org/C4L). Or contact Nancy Schulte Palacheck at 651-291-4489.

# Ministry Schedule

## July 29 and 30

### Sacristans

5 p.m. Tim Amundsen, Rose Rooney  
8:45 a.m. Leslie Trcka, Tim Woodfield  
10:45 a.m. Diane Forsythe, Lisa McColman

### Lector

5 p.m. Dennis Vorgert  
8:45 a.m. Mike Kokesh  
10:45 a.m. Joe Heiland

### Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m. Bob Elfering, Joyce Heiland, Randy and Sandra Krautbauer, Debra McMillan, Mary Moore, Patti Murphy, Charles Schmidt, Doris Schmieg, Nancy Schmieg, Sue Schrempf, Carol Spalding  
8:45 a.m. Renee Boraas, Mike Doshan, Cindy Eide, Paul and Kelly Kohls, Jim and Debbie Moss, Dave and Ellen Roan, Chris and Judy Sones, Laura Synstegaard  
10:45 a.m. Mary Catino, Marty Dentinger, Marcus Hoffman, Gina Holman, Deb LeMay, Jeff Lenzmeier, Lindsey Norton, Kathryn Paradise, Ken Pavett, Rob and Brianne Raiolo, Carol Trantow

### Greeter/Usher

5 p.m. Elizabeth Contreras, Pat Henning, Robert Schmieg, Jerry and Gerda Schmieg, Rick Stucki  
8:45 a.m. Doug and Susan Hines, Mike Jeurissen, Daryl Schmieg, Sam and Troy Stukenborg  
10:45 a.m. Donovan and Sam Esping, Jim and Carol Slater, Steve and Jill Sonnek

### Servers

5 p.m. Laura Contreras, Arin Hausmann, Nicholas Salwei  
8:45 a.m. Megan Jeurissen, Lilly Trcka, Ethan Weinandt  
10:45 a.m. Krew Barber, Joey and Sadie Holman

### Sound

5 p.m. Phillip Smith  
8:45 a.m. Mike Hansen  
10:45 a.m. Mitchell Holman

### Music

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

**There is Children's Liturgy of the Word on July 30.**

## Love INC Lunch Program Still Needs Volunteers

Love INC (In the Name of Christ) of Eastern Carver County has partnered with District 112/Eastern Carver County schools to **provide a lunch program** for children in need during the summer months. Children (ages 1 to 18) receive lunch followed by participation in educational programming, Monday through Friday, 12:15 to 2 p.m., at the Community Center Building at Riverview Terrace in Chaska. Program ends September 1. For info or to volunteer, go to [www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b44aeaf22aa46-help1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b44aeaf22aa46-help1).

## Stay Connected

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Twitter is [@Saint\\_Victoria](https://twitter.com/Saint_Victoria)  
Facebook is St. Victoria Parish Family  
Parish Website is [www.stvictoria.net](http://www.stvictoria.net)