

# Our Mission

"St. Victoria is a Catholic family inviting all to exlebrate 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."

# Second Sunday of Ordinary Time January 14, 2018

# **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.

Evaluation: Thyrodox 8:30 a.m. 8 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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# The readings for January 21

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time *Reading 1*: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Reading II: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

This passage begins Jesus' preaching and is the core message of everything he will say later. To repent means to change one's mind, to completely change one's attitude from selfcenteredness to God-centeredness. It suggests a total change in one's life. We see an example of this in Jesus' call to his first followers and their response. Simon and Andrew set aside what has been their life's work to follow Jesus. Their immediate response to accept Jesus' call testifies to their recognizing him as their leader. James and John, too, abandon work and father to follow Jesus. Believing in the Gospel means a personal attachment to the person of Jesus and going with him on his way.

#### **Ouestion of the Week**

Has there been a time in your life when you have felt compelled to make a significant change? Has there been a time when you had a change of heart or mind?

### 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 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.)

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

### **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 February 10 and 11. This is the last time Baptisms will be celebrated until Easter Sunday, April 1. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent except in an emergency. (Adults will be Baptized at the Easter Vigil, **March 31.)**
- 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 (Baptism Class) within the previous five years **before** a scheduled Baptism is celebrated. The next Jordan Night is scheduled on Thursday, April 12.
- For information or to schedule a Baptism, contact Mary Harvey at mharvey@stvictoria.org or 443-2661 x206.



**Mass Intentions** 

Tuesday, January 16 — Marie Bruner + Wednesday, January 17 — George Krauth (Anniv.) † Thursday, January 18 — Victor and Evelyn Schneider + Friday, **January 19** — Judy Forcier Family Saturday, January 20 — Living and Deceased Members of Catholic United Financial Sunday, January 21 — 8:45 a.m. Jose and Montserrat Arenas + 10:45 a.m. St. Victoria Parishioners

# This Week in RCIA

When we think of God we often think of the images of great works of art, such as the paintings in the Sistine Chapel or an image of Jesus suffering on a crucifix. Yet God is three persons, each unique and each in unity with the other, in a holy personage that is beyond our full understanding. It was in the name of the Holy Trinity that Jesus commanded that we be baptized, so we know he intended that we worship, honor and adore God in all his fullness and holiness. At RCIA this week we will discuss the truths about the Trinity, and some of the misconceptions.

# **Prayer for Christian Unity**

The Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, with the Saint Paul Area Synod and the Minneapolis Area Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, will bring the 500th Anniversary Commemorations of the Reformation to a close with a joint Liturgy of Evening Prayer for Christian Unity on Sunday, January 21, at 7 p.m., at the Cathedral of Saint Paul.

The National Lutheran Choir under the direction of David Cherwien will lead the liturgy. Bishop Patricia Lull of the Saint Paul Area Synod will preach, and Bishop Ann Svennungsen of the Minneapolis Area Synod and Archbishop Bernard Hebda of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis will serve as liturgists. All are welcome as we renew our common witness to Jesus Christ. A reception follows the liturgy at the Cathedral.

# 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 John Abel in the parish office.

# **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 to learn more about spiritual direction, an ancient process of accompanying people in their spiritual journey toward freedom and peace. Scholarships are available. Call the parish office for details.

# **Stay Connected**

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# From the Pastor's Desk...



# Men Building Bridges

I hope you were able to join me with your father, your son, your brother, a neighbor or a best friend for our Annual Men Building Bridges Breakfast. It was a sell-out crowd that gathered on Saturday morning for good food, good conversation and a great speaker. Thanks to everyone who made it happen and to all of you who made the breakfast an important start to 2018.

# **Prayer Service for Life**

Monday, January 22, is the Annual Prayer Service for Life. The day begins at the Cathedral at 10:30 a.m. and is followed by MCCL's March for Life at the State Capitol. This prayer service commemorates the millions of lives lost to abortion and the many women and men wounded by abortion's aftermath. All are invited and welcome.

A bus is scheduled to leave the St. Joseph Catholic Church parking lot at 9 a.m. on January 22 and you are invited to sign-on. Call Sue at 442-4151 to RSVP. Plans are to attend the prayer service and participate in the march. The bus should return around 2:45 p.m. Dress warm and bring a bag lunch.

On Sunday, January 21, Knights of Columbus Number 2506 of St. Joseph Catholic Community and Trinity Lutheran Church, both of Waconia, will sponsor their annual joint Pancake/French Toast Breakfast at Saint Joseph's school from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All proceeds will benefit Pro-Life causes. Free-will offerings will be welcomed.

#### Amen to That

I recently came across the book, *Amen to That*, that describes the "amazing way the Bible influences our Everyday Language." I plan to share some of this information from time-to-time, starting with "Amen to That." (Deuteronomy 27:27, Matthew 6:13)

In the early Bible translations, the word "amen" doesn't appear at all. Like any other Hebrew word it gets translated to "so it is," or in Old English *soolice*. By the 1382 Wycliffe edition, "amen" had begun to be used as an English word, for example at the end of the Lord's Prayer in Matthew's Gospel.

Amen became a standard ending to all prayers, indicating a general assent to whatever has been said before. In 1605, the phrase "amen to that" was first used in a non-religious sense in an anonymous drama called *King Leir*, not to be confused with *Kink Lear*. Throughout the years, authors such as Charles Dickens and Agatha Christie used the phrase.

"Amen" also gives us the old American expression "Amen corner," meaning a group of fervent believers. It came from the practice of sitting the most vocally pious people near the pulpit in Methodist Churches, from where they could lead the communal "amens."

Fr. Bob

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. Seek the Lord and know he patiently awaits you. Chaplet of Divine Mercy follows.

# Happenings at St. Victoria...

# **Gatherings This Week**

**Parish Pastoral Council** will meet Thursday, January 18, at 6 p.m. in the parish office conference room.

**Please Note:** The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 15, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Day.

# **Upcoming Events**

- The next Bible Study reflecting on the Book of Genesis starts Wednesday, January 17. Gather in the Fireside Room from 7:45 to 9 p.m.
- A Parish Lenten Mission is planned on Sunday, February 25. More details coming soon.

# **Sharing and Caring Hands**

Volunteers from St. Victoria will help serve a meal at Sharing and Caring Hands tomorrow, **Monday**, **January 15**. St. Victoria serves this ministry the third Monday of every month. If you would like to volunteer, or for more information, contact Coordinator Dennis Brown, 443-4690.

# Thank You

A special thank you to **Don and Mary Balster**, **Riley and Ketti Histon and Scott**, **Christine and Alex Galbreath** for helping serve dinner at Simpson House, a shelter in Minneapolis for homeless men and women, on January 7. Thank you also to **Ketti Histon**, **Stella McKinney and Claire Saathoff** for providing delicious homemade desserts.

# A Fun Night Out

Forget about winter for a couple hours and join other adult women for an evening of **Bunco** sponsored by GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) on Friday, January 19, 7 to 9 p.m. There'll be wine, coffee, appetizers and desserts. Tickets are \$5 per person (to cover the cost of prizes) and they will be on sale after Masses this weekend. Contact Stella McKinney at 470-6210 or stellamckinney@me.com for more information or to sign up to bring a goodie to share.

# Elsewhere...

- Youth Bingo Fundraiser St. John the Baptist, Excelsior, Saturday, Jan. 20, 6 to 8:30 p.m. in the school gym. Fun for all. Proceeds support youth ministry programs.
- West Suburban Grief Coalition Oak Knoll Lutheran Church, Minnetonka, Thursdays, 4:30 to 6 p.m. Speaker Jan. 18 is Donna Mathiowetz, "This Puzzle Called Grief." Call 546-5433 for information.
- Southwest Grief Coalition Immanuel Luther an Church, Eden Prairie. 5:30 p.m. supper, 6 p.m. speaker, adult small groups, 6 p.m. children's group (pre-registration required). Speaker Monday, Jan. 15, Dr. Hal Baumchen, Northland Counseling Service, "Restoring Hope: Balancing Current Circumstances with Future Blessings." Call 937-8123.
- January Cursillo Ultreya Western Ultreya today, Sunday, Jan. 14, St. Hubert Catholic Community in Chanhassen. Tom and Mary VandeHeil will speak at 7 p.m. in Room 116. Rosary in the family room at 6:30 p.m.
- Women's Retreat, "Full of Grace Mary, The Model of Love", St. Therese in Deephaven, Friday, Jan. 26, 5:45 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 27, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., \$60. Call 934-7021 for information or to register.
- Vatican II and The New Evangelization, talk by Dr. Christian Washburn, Thursday, Jan. 18, 6:30 to 8 p.m., St. Bartholomew, Wayzata. No cost.

# Faith Formation

# **Important Upcoming Dates**

# Adult Formation, Faith Formation, and Youth Ministry

| 1/14 | Children's Liturgy                  |
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| 1/17 | Genesis Bible Study                 |
| 1/17 | Faith Formation, no Confirmation    |
| 1/21 | Children Liturgy                    |
| 1/21 | Mission Trip Meeting, 5:30 p.m.     |
| 1/21 | High School Bible Study             |
| 1/24 | Faith Formation and Confirmation    |
| 1/24 | First Communion Parent Meeting (One |
|      | of two meetings.)                   |
| 1/26 | Chillfest                           |
| 1/28 | Children's Liturgy                  |
| 1/31 | Faith Formation and Confirmation    |
| 2/17 | Coffee and Conversation             |

### **Adult Formation**

#### **RCIA**

You are invited to attend any RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) session that sounds interesting. You will find the topic for each upcoming week on page two of the bulletin, on our website and Facebook page.

### **Bible Study**

Join us for an evening Bible Study exploring the Book of Genesis using the New Collegeville Bible Commentary as our guide. We will meet Wednesday evenings in the Fireside Room, January 17 through March 21, from 7:45 p.m. to 9 p.m. The suggested donation is \$10 (the cost of the Commentary.) To register, call Mary Catino in the parish office.

#### **Save the Date**

Coffee and Conversation is planned for Saturday, February 17 at 9:30 a.m. Join us for Part One of a guided, virtual tour thru the Holy Land.

# **Faith Formation**

### Chillfest

It's time once again for this very popular Middle School Lock-in. Chillfest 2018 will take place the night of Friday, January 26. We will begin at St. Victoria with Mass, then head over to the Chaska Community Center for lots of fun. In the wee hours of the morning we will return to St. Victoria to watch a movie before heading home to rest. Registration and information is available on the parish website. Contact Sara in the parish office if you have any questions.

#### **First Sacrament Parent Meeting**

All parents with children enrolled in the First Sacrament Program should mark their calendars for Wednesday, January 24, and plan to attend the first of two important parent meetings to be held at 5 and 6:30 p.m.. The meetings will include information about participation in preparing children for First Communion as well as First Communion dates and plans. Whether this is your first child to receive this sacrament or your fifth, it is very important that at least one parent attend.

# **Youth Ministry**

### Welcome

Join us as we welcome Theo Chalgren, our new Youth Ministry Leader, to our Faith Formation Team.

### **High School Bible Study**

Interested in getting together for fun, snacks and talking about the Gospel of Mark? Join our High School, teen-lead Bible study that meets on Sunday nights from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Try out any week or come for all. The upcoming dates are January 21 and February 4 and 18. Interested? Show up! Want more details, contact Ann and she'll add you to the GroupMe so you know the details.

# Blessings . . . . Emily Klinker, Sara Svenby, Ann Esping and Theo Chalgren

#### **Archdiocese Events**

- Marriage in Christ Seminars Friendship with God, Friendship with Our Spouse, in the Holy Spirit. Throughout 2018, several parishes will be hosting Marriage in Christ seminars. The five-week seminar is for all married couples. Good habits and the power of the Holy Spirit transform all marriages. For more details and the list of host parishes, go to www.archspm.org/marriageinchrist.
- Catholic Watchmen Rally On Tuesday, January 23, at St. Bartholomew in Wayzata Bishop Andrew Cozzens will speak on "Christ the Man: Why God the Father Begot a Son and What that Means for All Sons of the Father." The event begins at 6:30 p.m. and will include time for Adoration and Confession. Dinner will be provided. Register at TheCatholicWatchmen.com. Contact Enzo Randazzo at randazzov@archspm.org or 651-291-4483 with questions.
- Your Life, Your Legacy: Grandparents Seminar We all want to leave a legacy. We all want to be remembered. But, how do you do that exactly? The answer is legacy writing, a combination of personal reflection and legacy writing. To find out the finer details, you are invited to hear Bill Marsella when he shares the way to start planning your estate in a faithfilled way on Sunday, January 28, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rosemount. Register at www.CatholicGrandparenting.org. Contact Susanna Parent at parents@archsm.org or 651-291-4411 with questions.
- 2018 WINE: Catholic Women's Conference WINE (Women in the New Evangelization) invites women of all ages and stages to their conference on Saturday, February 10, at Mary, Mother of the Church in Burnsville. The theme, Hope: An Anchor for the Soul is inspired by St. Philomena's example and Pope Francis' invitation to fight against enemies of hope (like discouragement and negativity) and to shine as beacons of hope to those we encounter. The day includes inspirational talks, music, prayer, confession, lunch and chocolate. Registration fee is \$65. Information and registration available at www.CatholicVineyard.com and select the EVENTS tab.

# Stewardship Report

Stewardship Report for **January 6 and 7**, **Week 28** of our fiscal year:

Envelope Offering: \$ 7,933 Electronic Offering: 19,598 Total Membership Offering: 27,531

Thank you for using your envelopes.

Next weekend, January 20 and 21, is our second collection earmarked for mortgage debt reduction. This special collection occurs the third weekend of each month. You may use the special envelope [pink] in your envelope packet, arrange for electronic deposit or contribute cash or a check when the collection basket is passed during Mass.

#### Reminders . . .

- The St. Victoria Parish Family relies on your regular contributions to meet our obligations. If you plan to be away for an extended period, you might think about the convenience of electronic giving. For more information, contact Joni Jeurissen in the parish office, visit our parish website, www.stvictoria.net, or check the kiosk in the Franciscan Commons for EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) forms.
- We also could use your help when you write checks to St. Victoria. Here at St. Victoria we have several separate accounts two of the most common are for stewardship contributions and debt reduction. It will facilitate our bookkeeping if the payments for the two pledges or other payments to church are kept separate. We know it is a nuisance to write two (or more) checks, but we would appreciate it if you could do this.
- Be sure to share phone number (cell and land line), email and address changes so our records remain up-to-date.
- There are **reserved seats** in the entire front and back rows of the first section on the parking lot side of the church for people with disabilities and/or limited mobility. There is a **wheelchair and a walker** by the coat rack for use by parishioners needing assistance while at St. Victoria. There are **assisted hearing devices** available in the Worship Space that allow individuals to hear through their own personal hearing devices. Ask the volunteer at the sound board for assistance. Also, in an emergency, after calling 911, there is a **defibrillator** in the Historic Church Sacristy. Directions for its use are included in the case.
- The cabinet in the entry to the Worship Space is intended for food donations only. Please do not leave unwanted clothing or other items in that cabinet or in the Historic Church. Also, please do not leave household trash in the church's recycle and trash bins.
- Items may not be placed in the kiosk in the Franciscan Commons without first checking with the parish office.
- Dishes and other containers brought with food for funerals can be found in the cabinet in the hallway outside of Elstan Hall.
- Lost and found items can be found in a bin in the Commons and/or in the parish office.

# Ministry Schedule

### January 20 and 21 Sacristans

| 5 p.m.     | Tim Amundsen, Joyce Burau    |
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| 8:45 a.m.  | Rose Rooney, Diane Theis     |
| 10:45 a.m. | Julie Catalino, Erv Spevacek |
|            | Lector                       |

5 p.m. Megan Payne 8:45 a.m. Cindy Funk 10:45 a.m. Gina Holman

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

| 5 p.m. | Tim Amundsen, Greg Butler, Jim Emmer,      |
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|        | Joyce Heiland, Todd Hesse, Davis Kirsch,   |
|        | Randy and Sandra Krautbauer, Barb Meinert, |
|        | Katharine Paulsen, Nancy Schmieg,          |
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Carol Spalding

8:45 a.m. Mary Bishop, Mary Catino, Rita Daly, Marge Diethelm, Darla Diethelm, Dan and Marguerite Dummer, Cindy Eide, Roger Jackels, Ruth Kroening, Pat Moore,

Kari Struthers

10:45 a.m. George Barker, Theo and Margaret Chalgren, Diane Forsythe, Joe Hamilton, Michelle Kunze, Jeff Lenzmeier, Linda Lindeman, Kathryn Paradise, Anna Shay, Jill Sonnek, Linda Spevacek

#### Greeter/Usher

| 5 p.m.    | John Heiland, Pat Henning, Debra Miles,    |
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| -         | Steven and Nancy Schmieg, Gary Sohns       |
| 8:45 a.m. | Janet Bergeron, Sam Deweese, Eric Hanson,  |
|           | Joseph Happ, Lyle Oddan, Shawn Sutherland  |
| 10:45     | Al and Louise Lehner, Kerry Leopold, Steve |
|           | and Jill Sonnek, Linda Spevacek            |

### Servers

| 5 p.m.     | Arin Hausmann, Grant Hayes,               |
|------------|---|
| -          | Ethan Weinandt                            |
| 8:45 a.m.  | Lydia Jackels, Conor Maguire, Rose Senior |
| 10:45 a.m. | Mitchell, Joey and Sadie Holman           |
|            | Sound                                     |
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5 p.m. Steve McNamara 8:45 a.m. Elena Bergren 10:45 a.m. Mitchell Holman

#### Music

5 p.m. Agape Singers — Acc. Amee Gallagher 8:45 a.m. Cantor Mary Pat Nydal — Acc. Amee Gallagher 10:45 a.m. Cantor Lisa Payne — Acc. Amee Gallagher

Children's Liturgy of the Word

During the 8:45 and 10:45 a.m. Masses

# No Sledding, Please

Please note that sledding is no longer allowed on the hill at the back of the cemetery. As the cemetery expands, there are now gravesites at the back of the cemetery and this area will continue to grow. In honor of our departed loved ones, it is inappropriate to allow sledding there. Thank you.

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