

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.”

Solemnity of Pentecost May 15, 2016

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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**Solemnity of Pentecost
May 15, 2016**

The readings for May 22

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Reading I: Proverbs 8:22-31

Reading II: Romans 5:1-5

Gospel: John 16:12-15



The Gospel reading emphasizes the work of the “Spirit of Truth” in the Christian community. Jesus is about to leave his disciples and is making provision for their future. Even though he has more to tell them, they cannot understand it before the death/resurrection. Only in the light of their experience of the Risen Christ will they be able to comprehend its significance. This insight, given by the “Spirit of Truth,” will guide them throughout the centuries in their efforts to grow in understanding. A striking feature of this passage is its stress on the common working of Jesus, his Father and the Spirit of Truth. They possess in common; they act in common.

Question of the Week

Any attempt to gain understanding of our enemy helps you not to condemn but to find peace in difficult situations. What do you do to try to understand your enemy? When has “understanding your enemy” led to acceptance?

Banns of Marriage

**Angie Fenske and Jon Diethelm
Megan Herda and Kevin Datta**

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 are the weekend of June 4 and 5.
- 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 they must 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, June 2.**

Contact Mary Harvey at mharvey@stvictoria.org or 443-2661 x206 for information and/or to schedule a Baptism.



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

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, **May 17** — Roger Krueger †

Wednesday, **May 18** — Betty Cavoras †

Thursday, **May 19** — Tim Forcier †

Friday, **May 20** — Marge Chapman †

Saturday, **May 21** — Victor and Evelyn Schneider †

Sunday, **May 22** — 8:45 a.m. Ray Jendro †

10:45 a.m. Parishioners of St. Victoria

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.)

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.

Special Insert

Included with this issue of the bulletin is an insert featuring the school at the Parish of St. Joseph in a. Waconia. Pictured on the cover is our parishioner Nate Tinucci, an 8th Grader at the school. He is the son of parishioners Tom and Becky. The insert describes the school’s curriculum, highlighting C-STEM (Catholic-Science, Technology, Engineering and Math).

Photo Directories Available

If you have not picked up your complimentary copy of the Parish Pictorial Directory (available for those who are included in the directory), please stop by the parish office. **Note:** We do not have extra copies for those who do not have photos in the book.

One Flock, One Shepherd

All are invited to join Guardian Angel Parish in Chaska on a mission journey led by Fr. Jim from the Franciscan Retreat Center in Prior Lake. The theme centers on forgiveness, letting go and healing. The dates are May 15 through 18, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Be inspired to go forth and share the Year of Mercy with others. Call 227-4000 for information.

Archdiocesan Prayer Vigil

An Archdiocesan Prayer Vigil to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is planned from 7 p.m. Thursday, June 2 to 7 p.m. on Friday, June 3, at St. Peter Catholic Church in Mendota. The vigil will conclude with a 7 p.m. Mass. It is a time of prayer, penance and healing for our Archdiocese and our priests. There will be Eucharistic Adoration, reflections and devotions throughout the vigil. For the complete schedule or to sign up for a Holy Hour, visit www.archspm.org.



Confirmation

This year we have 71 of our youth prepared to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, May 22, at the Basilica in Minneapolis. This is no small endeavor — they have studied and worked hard throughout their Faith Formation years, but especially the last two years, to accomplish this step in their faith journey. Our 10:45 a.m. Mass this weekend is their Sending Mass, a time to salute them and offer our prayers. I hope you will join me in praying for these young men and women and for families and sponsors and the Faith Formation staff and catechists who have all helped prepare them for this day.

Holy Family Catholic High School

This afternoon (Sunday, May 15), we welcome to St. Victoria the Senior Class of Holy Family Catholic High School and families and guests for their Baccalaureate Mass. We are proud to partner with Holy Family and honored to host the graduating seniors.

In a few weeks (Sunday, June 5), we will have the honor of recognizing students from the Class of 2016 from schools throughout our communities as they graduate from High School and take the next step in their lives.

Stewardship

We have completed week three of our Stewardship Campaign and I am pleased to tell you that we have received 212 pledges totaling \$424,836. While this is a good start, and I am thankful to you, we are behind where we were at this point last year with 243 pledges totaling \$477,556. Honestly and earnestly, we need everyone to prayerfully consider making a commitment from a mindset of generosity. Your help will ensure that we have the financial security over the next year to meet our obligations to maintain our facility, to retain our talented staff and to make certain that we can continue to be the face and hands of Jesus Christ here at St. Victoria, in our community and beyond. If you are already a contributor, even a small increase could make a big difference. And, for those who are not regular contributors, committing to sustain our parish with your offering of any size every week will really help us to fulfill our obligations. I also strongly encourage you to enroll in electronic giving. It's an easy way to commit to regular giving. Not only is it convenient for you, but it also allows St. Victoria to budget more effectively. Please use the pledge cards that have been handed out the last couple of weeks or you will find additional cards in the kiosk or on our website. Thank you for your continuing faithfulness and generosity. (New pledge and EFT amounts start July 1.)

HATS OFF . . . Thank you to everyone who joined our Maintenance Supervisor John Wall at his Spring Fling to help clean-up our Church grounds and prepare for the summer. Lots was accomplished and it looks great. I also want to thank **Diane Lynum** for planting the pots of pansies, always a sure sign of spring. Thank you also to **Lisa Hayes** for the beautiful arrangements that graced the entrances of our churches during the Easter Season. *Fr. Bob*

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 Lord loves it when you take time to express your gratitude to Him. **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy follows.**

Gatherings This Week . . .

Parish Council will meet Thursday, May 19, 6 p.m., in the parish office conference room.

All parishioners are welcome to attend parish gatherings.

Sharing and Caring Hands

Volunteers from St. Victoria will help serve a meal at Sharing and Caring Hands **tomorrow, Monday, May 16.** 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

On Sunday, May 22, St. Victoria volunteers will prepare and serve a meal at Simpson House in Minneapolis for guests (men and women) who are homeless. Volunteers participate in the ministry approximately once every six weeks. Donated items also are collected including disposable razors, deodorant, combs, underwear and new or gently-used towels and t-shirts in adult sizes, without offensive or controversial logos. (Currently, there is a special need for women's underwear sizes 5, 6 and 7, men's underwear, preferably boxers or boxer briefs, sizes M, L, XL, Men's t-shirts sizes S to XXL, shampoo and disposable razors.) To volunteer to serve May 22, at a future date or for information, contact Jan Wohlers at wohlershome@yahoo.com.

Assisted Hearing

There are assisted hearing devices available in the Worship Space that will allow individuals to hear through their own personal hearing devices. If this is something you would find helpful, ask the volunteer at the sound board for assistance.

Elsewhere . . .

- **Southwest Grief Coalition's** Living and Growing Through Loss spring sessions are at Pax Christi on Mondays. Light supper at 5:30 p.m., speaker at 6:30 p.m. followed by adult small groups and children's groups for ages 8 through 12 (with pre-registration at 460-0030). Childcare available. Speaker on May 16, Jean Thoresen, Director of Pastoral Care at Pax Christi, will discuss "Lessons of Love and Loss." Call 941-3150 for info.
- **West Suburban Grief Coalition**, Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church of Plymouth, 4:30 to 6 p.m. On May 19 Ed Holland will discuss "Beyond Kubler-Ross: A New Perspective on Grief." Call 763-559-2775 for information.
- **Father's Cup**, First Annual Father and Son Golf Tournament to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Father's Day, Sunday, June 19, Deer Run, 1 to 6 p.m. \$100 per player for fees, etc., and a contribution to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Contact Tom Struthers at tom@turnkeydirect.net.
- **Live for Today, Plan for Tomorrow** at Olive Branch Estates in Chanhassen on Tuesday, May 17, 1 to 2 p.m. Linda Szurek, Independent Funeral Counselor, will discuss taking care of end-of-life wishes, preplanning funeral arrangements and irrevocable funeral policies to insure funds are unable to be accessed in the event of the need for Medical Assistance or nursing home care. Additional information at 448-4800.

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

Faith Formation

Rose Sale

Thank you for your generosity during our rose sale last week. Each rose sold helps our youth participate in Summer Festival.

Summer Festival Camp 2016

It is time to sign up for the best week of your summer! The registration form can be found on our website. We can't wait to spend the week with our middle schoolers and high schoolers at Summer Festival Camp. All families with students in grades 6-12 who are registered in the parish should have received an email from me with more information about Summer Festival Camp. If you did not receive it and would like to know more about the camp, please contact me.

It's Time to Sign Up for Vacation Bible School

Each day, kids participate in small groups and discover practical ways to hold on to God's mighty power! Not only will they experience exciting Bible adventures, but they'll also watch for God in everyday life through something called God Sightings™. You and your kids will discover that God is active in our lives and that his fingerprints are everywhere!

This Vacation Bible School promises to be mountains of fun. Plus, kids walk away with a rock-solid faith that they can rely on God when life gets tough. Register to be a part of Cave Quest VBS.

Cave Quest is for kids in K through 5th grades (participants) 6 through 8th grades (junior helpers) high school and adults (leaders).

Cost: \$60 for participants and \$30 for junior helpers.

Dates: June 13 through June 17

Time: 9 a.m. to noon

Registration Deadline: June 10

Contact Information: 443-2661

Registration is now open – find the registration link on our website under the Events Tab.

Faith Formation Registration for 2016/2017

All families currently registered in our Faith Formation program should have received registration information for the 2016/2017 Faith Formation and Sacrament season. Please contact me if you have not received registration information for your family via email or you are new to the parish and need additional information about our ministry. Information also is available on our website.

Important Upcoming Dates

- Sunday, May 15 — Confirmation Sending Mass
- Friday — May 20 — 4th and 5th Grade Overnight
- Sunday, May 22 — Confirmation
- Sunday, June 5 — HS Graduating Senior Send-off Mass
- Monday, June 13 — VBS Begins
- Monday, July 11 — Senior High Summer Fest Begins
- Monday, July 25 — Junior High Summer Fest begins
- Tuesday, August 2 — Summer Stretch Begins

Emily Klinker, Director of Faith Formation
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4th/5th Grade Overnight

Our annual Fourth and Fifth Grade Overnight is quickly approaching. Last year we teamed up with Christ the King in Minneapolis for this event that was filled with fun and fellowship and growing in our faith. This year, we are going to team up with them again, and join them over at their parish. The event will take place the night of Friday, May 20, and run until Saturday morning. For questions, more information, or registration, contact Sara in the parish office.



Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration

Bishop Cozzens invites you to celebrate the beautiful mystery of the mutual self-gift between a man and woman in the Sacrament of Matrimony on Saturday, June 4, at the Cathedral in St. Paul, at 10 a.m. for Mass, renewal of vows and a short reception. Couples celebrating their silver, golden and platinum anniversaries will be honored in a special way and are encouraged to attend. Families and friends of all couples are welcome. For more information, call 651-291-4488 or visit www.archspm.org/events.

Career Transition Group

If you are looking for a job or looking to develop your career, Career Transition Group at Holy Name of Jesus in Wayzata might be an option for you. The group provides tools and resources to help people reach career goals. This month, the speaker is Tom Hentges, Senior Vice President at Entegee, talking about "Contracting as an Option" on Thursday, May 19, at 7 p.m. The event is free and registration is not required. On June 16, at 7:30 p.m., Joe Reardon from the search firm Versique will discuss "Preparing for the Interview" and on July 2, at 7:30 p.m., Tim Anderson, founder and CEO of Anderson Airport Consulting is the speaker with a topic to be determined. For more information, go to www.hnoj.org/career-transition-group or contact Deacon Dennis Hanson at 763-473-7901.

Earthquake Relief for Ecuador

Catholic Relief Services and the people of Ecuador can use your help as they begin to recover from the 7.8 magnitude earthquake Ecuador experienced on April 16 that killed and injured scores of people. Catholic Relief Services is coordinating with several partners to assess the situation and provide necessary water, food and emergency shelter for devastated communities. If you would like to help, go to <http://www.crs.org/stories/emergency-responses>.

Reminder

There are reserved pews in the Worship Space — the front and back rows of the first section on the parking lot side of the church — that are designated for people with disabilities and/or limited mobility. The entire front and back rows are reserved for people who need this extra convenience.

Stewardship Report

Stewardship Report for **May 7 and 8, Week 45**, of our fiscal year:

Envelope Offering:	\$ 12,949
Electronic Offering:	7,831
Total Membership Offering:	20,780

Second Collection Reminder: Next weekend (May 21-22) there is a 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 after Communion.)

Please use your envelopes for your offerings.

Deadline for Scholarship Requests is June 1

Requests for scholarships are 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 are invited to submit the scholarship request (found on the parish website) to request tuition assistance for children enrolled in Grades one through eight 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, 2016, to be considered for scholarship aid for the 2016/2017 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.

Singing Sequences Sequentially

Historical Underpinnings

Prior to Vatican II, the Liturgy of the Word consisted of a reading from the Epistles, a psalm (called the *gradual*) and a reading from one of the Gospels. The *gradual* ended with an "alleluia" in which the final syllable (ah) was sung over a very long sequence of notes, called a *melisma*. This *melisma* was called a *sequencia or jubilus*. The sequence developed as poetic texts were developed to replace the "ah." These texts were often very dramatic in nature and were joyful proclamations of the Gospel, affirming the central realities of our faith. At one point in the Church's history, there were over 5,000 sequences; since that time, the number of sequences has been pared down to a handful, of which two are vital: the sequences for Easter Sunday (*Victimae Paschali Laudes*) and Pentecost (*Veni Sancte Spiritus*). These texts bookend the Easter Season.

Theological Significance

Victimae Paschali Laudes, proclaimed on Easter Sunday, is an ancient hymn telling the story of death and life locked in a struggle; Christ, victorious over death, reconciles us to the Father. It speaks of Mary Magdalene, who upon finding the empty tomb of the Risen Christ and the clothes which once covered his head and limbs, proclaims "Christ, my hope, has arisen."

Veni Sancte Spiritus, proclaimed on Pentecost Sunday, reminds us of the Holy Spirit's protection and comfort and of God's infinite mercy and forgiveness. The text calls each of us to transformation, forgiveness, and compassion: "Bend the stubborn heart and will. Melt the frozen. Warm the chill. Guide the steps that go astray."

Ministry Schedule

May 21 and 22

Sacristans

5 p.m.	Joyce Burau, Ardys Forster
8:45 a.m.	Mark and Linnea Lynum
10:45 a.m.	Tim Breslin, Julie Catalino

Lector

5 p.m.	Walt Roberts
8:45 a.m.	Joe Carrica
10:45 a.m.	Mary Catino

Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m.	Carol Spalding, Karl and Patty Tauscher, Luci Tellers, Bobby and Mary Beth Wulf, Tim and Wendy Amundsen, David and Jessica Bruns, Anne Fowler, Cinda Jensen
8:45 a.m.	Paul and Kelly Kohls, Diane Robinson, Barb Schultz, Chris and Judy Sones, Diane Theis, Jim Alessio, Mary Bishop, Joanna Bongard, Renee Boraas, Anna Carrica
10:45 a.m.	Gina Holman, Tim and Judy Kearney, Joan Klinger, Michelle Kunze, Louise Lehner, Deb LeMay, Kerry Leopold, Linda Lindeman, Kathryn Paradise, Rob and Brianne Raiolo

Greeter/Usher

5 p.m.	Roger Osweiler, Jerry and Gerda Schmiege, Steve and Nancy Schmiege, Jeff Fowler
8:45 a.m.	Gary and Sharon Lauwagie, Scott Monson, Lyle Oddan, Daryl Schmiege, Ryan Wenning
10:45 a.m.	Kerry McMillan, Greg Pavett, Steve and Jill Sonnek and family, Erv and Linda Spevacek

Servers

5 p.m.	Laura Contreras, Grace Fowler, Lydia Jackels
8:45 a.m.	Stan Kohls, Nate Nicklaus, Ben Ramler
10:45 a.m.	Joey and Mitchell Holman, Sarah Johnson

Sound

5 p.m.	Phillip Smith
8:45 a.m.	Mike Hansen
10:45 a.m.	Lexi Ekstrom

Music

5 p.m.	Cantor Lisa Payne and Flutist Peggy Dorrie — Acc. Sean Barker
8:45 a.m.	Cantor Elizabeth Nowak — Acc. Sean Barker
10:45 a.m.	Cantor Elizabeth Nowak and Little Ringers — Acc. Sean Barker

Liturgy of the Word for Children will return in the Fall.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Pope Francis asks us to "live this year in the light of the Lord's words: Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." (*Luke 6:36*). You can participate throughout the year by making a pilgrimage to a Holy Door at the Cathedral or the Basilica, regularly receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, performing corporal and spiritual works of mercy and by participating in the MercyWorks video challenge. Find additional ways to pray, learn and act at www.archspm.org/Mercy.

Discover the Difference

It's not too late to discover the difference and enroll a student (or students) at Holy Family Catholic High School for the 2016/2017 school year. Tours are available all year-round and "Shadow Day" visits are available. (Tuition assistance is available.) Schedule a visit today by calling 443-1955.