

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 the Most Holy Trinity May 22, 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 the Most Holy Trinity
May 22, 2016

The readings for May 29

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body
 and Blood of Christ

Reading I: Genesis 14:18-20

Reading II: Corinthians 11:23-26

Gospel: Luke 9:11-17



Luke's Gospel stresses Jesus' table fellowship with people of all sorts. This and other themes emerge in his account of Jesus feeding the multitudes. (1) When Jesus asks the apostles to give the people something to eat themselves, it is a thinly veiled hint that they are to imitate him in feeding the hungry. (2) His generosity is suggested by the fact that "they all ate until they had enough" and underscored by the quantity of leftovers, enough to fill 12 baskets. (Twelve symbolizes all humanity.) Some people at Corinth had forgotten the significance of the Eucharist and were nullifying it by their selfishness. The rich members of the community were turning the common meal into a private bash. Paul reminded them that Eucharist bonds us to all the people around God's table.

Question of the Week

Do you sometimes feel you are "running on empty?" Is there one thing in your family, work or community that could make a difference?

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 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 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 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.

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



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

Mass Intentions

- Tuesday, **May 24** — Calvin Robling and
 Fr. Landelin Robling †
- Wednesday, **May 25** — Evelyn "Sis" Schneider †
- Thursday, **May 26** — Whitey Wellens †
- Friday, **May 27** — Joseph and Cecelia Skrzypek †
- Saturday, **May 28** — Florian Straus †
- Sunday, **May 29** — 8:45 a.m. Donald and Ann Worm †
 10:45 a.m. Parishioners of St. Victoria

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.

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.**

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.

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.

South American Travels

Fr. Bob invites you to travel with him to Brazil and Argentina in March, 2017. The tour includes ten nights in five-star hotels (two nights in Rio de Janeiro, one night in Sao Paul, two nights in Iguazu Falls and five nights in Buenos Aires), with daily Mass, many meals, including daily breakfast, special entertainment, tours of noted places including churches, city tours, Iguazu Falls and other sites. Special events include a "Pope Francis" tour highlighting sites important in his life and a full-day Ranch Fiesta.

There are brochures in the Commons with the full itinerary. For more information, or to register, go to magitravelinc.com and click the appropriate destination.

Check the parish website, www.stvictoria.net, for up-to-the-minute information about events and activities.



Works of Mercy

For this Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has called for a "revolution of tenderness," asking Catholics to "cultivate the tenderness of God toward each one of us" and to "commit to making our own the mercy of the Good Samaritan." Catholic tradition has identified particular ways of cultivating that tenderness and mercy of God: the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. I want to share with you today the way we as members of St. Victoria embody one of the Corporal Mercies through our ministries.

Clothe the Naked

Members of Catholic United Financial and many volunteers just completed what may have been one of their most successful rummage sales. The sale was an opportunity for many of us to purge our closets of unneeded clothing while providing clothing for many people who may need to shop for themselves and their families on a limited budget. Throughout the year we also find other ways to help those in need from collecting coats in the fall, our baby shower on Mother's Day and donating clothing to Simpson House for homeless men and women. And, I am sure many of you find other organizations to help. Whatever we can do to help those who are struggling is a way of showing mercy for our brothers and sisters.

Stewardship

It's week four of our annual Stewardship Campaign and we are making headway, but we have a way to go. To date, we have 233 pledges totaling \$476,034 as compared to 253 pledges totaling \$496,958 at the same time last year. In addition, we have received 84 pledges for debt reduction totaling \$76,448. Last year at this time we had received 95 pledges totaling \$72,902. To those of you who have already made a commitment to our parish — I thank you for your faithfulness and your generosity.

I hope that those of you who have not yet made a pledge, either renewing your pledge with perhaps an increase, or making a new pledge, will prayerfully consider what you might do to help ensure the vibrancy of our parish. A pledge (or increased pledge) of \$5 per week from each of you could make a real difference in our ability to meet our financial obligations and to grow our ministries. That \$5 every week might be less than one latte at Caribou or Starbucks or a hamburger and fries at McDonald's.

With everyone's help we can continue 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.

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 few weeks and mailed to your homes or you will find additional pledge cards in the kiosk or on our website. Thank you for your continuing faithfulness and generosity. (New pledge and EFT amounts start July 1.)

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. A quiet place is available. Come and adore Him and wait patiently to hear His words. **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy follows.**

Upcoming Dates...

- Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, is at 9 a.m. in the Historic Church followed immediately by a memorial service in the cemetery. A color guard will be part of the service.
- The parish office will be closed on Memorial Day in observance of the holiday.
- Summer Friday Hours begin Friday, May 27, with the parish office closing at 2 p.m.
- The first Summer Friday Outdoor Mass will be Friday, June 3. More details next week.

Simpson House

Today, 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. To volunteer for a future date or for information, contact Jan Wohlers at wohlershome@yahoo.com.

Bright Beginnings Ministry

Tags are still available to purchase much-needed baby items for ABBA, a Christian pregnancy resource center located in Elk River, MN. Please purchase your items and return them to the playpen located in the Franciscan Commons no later than the weekend of May 28 and 29. Checks, made payable to St. Victoria, are also welcome from those who do not have time to shop. Thank you for supporting this important ministry.

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 23, John Reardon, Phoenix Process Consultants, will discuss "Grief: A Tribute to Humanness." Call 941-3150 for info.
- **West Suburban Grief Coalition,** Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church of Plymouth, 4:30 to 6 p.m. On May 26 a panel will discuss "Personal Grief Journeys." Call 763-559-2775 for information.
- **Father's Cup,** First Annual Father and Son Golf Tournament to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters on Father's Day, Sunday, June 19, at 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.
- **Rummage Sale** Thursday, June 9, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday, June 10, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at St. George Catholic Church in Long Lake. Check out "Better Goods" room. Friday is Bag Day, \$4 a bag and large items and better goods at half-price. Snacks available. Call 473-1247 for information.

Faith Formation

Thank you!

A big thank you to **Paula Jackels (and family)** for hosting and coordinating a wonderful Confirmation reception last weekend after our Confirmation Sending Mass. Thank you also to the **Connie Jeurissen, Sarah Picka and Patty Frier** who worked with Paula to make it such a special event.

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 through 12 who are registered in the parish should have received an email from me with more information about Sumer Festival Camp. If you did not receive it and would like to know more about the camp, please contact me.

Dear Soon to be Graduating High School Senior:

St. Victoria Parish Family would like to invite you and your family to the 10:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 5. This will be an occasion for your parish to recognize all of your hard work and achievements throughout your four years of High School and to bless you as you begin new adventures in your life. We will have a special blessing for all of our Seniors and a small reception following Mass. We also are going to have a special bulletin insert honoring all graduating seniors, stating where you went to high school and what your plans are for this fall. All Seniors will receive an email next week with a simple Google Form to complete with this information. If you do not receive an email from me, please contact me so I can send you the link to share your information.

Catechists for 2016/2017

St. Victoria has been a place of worship for more than 150 years. During all those years faithful members of the parish have given of their time and talents to support the work of Faith Formation. We all have different abilities, skills, and gifts. Some we use to earn a living, others for recreation or relaxation. We may even have gifts we've yet to discover. There are many ways you can support St. Victoria Faith Formation. How will you use what gifts God has given you to do Christ's work in this church? St. Victoria Church belongs to us all and we all need to play a part — however big or small. **We are currently looking for Catechists/ Confirmation Leaders. Please consider volunteering for our programs. Remember you *do not* have to have a child in the program to share your gifts.** We are now accepting volunteers for our upcoming Faith Formation Year. If you are interested in being a Catechist, please contact me directly.

Have You Signed-up for Cave Quest?

Have you signed up for Cave Quest Vacation Bible School (VBS) yet? 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!

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This VBS 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) 6th through 8th Grade (junior helpers) high school and adults (leaders). \$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 in April. Please contact me if you did not receive the registration information via email or you are new to the parish and need additional information about our ministry. Information also is available on our website.

Emily Klinker, Director of Faith Formation

eklinker@stvictoria.org, 443-2661 x218

www.stvictoria.net

Summer Stretch

It's nearly time again for Summer, which means it's also time for Summer Stretch! Summer Stretch is a fun program open to all youth currently in sixth grade and above. Each day that we meet for Summer Stretch we will go out and serve in the community, enjoy lunch together and then out for summer fun in the afternoon. We will meet for five dates in August, with the final date being a day of fun at a waterpark to celebrate our service. For more information and registration, visit the parish website. Questions? Contact Sara in the parish office at ssvenby@stvictoria.org or 443-2661 x219.

Senior High Bible Study

Join us for a five-week Bible Study on the Book of Acts. We will meet on Sunday afternoons from 3 to 4:30 p.m. with food, fun and fellowship. Mark your calendars for June 26, July 10, 17, 24 and 31. Please email Tanya at thisey@stvictoria.org or call 443-2661 x221 if you plan to come so we can have enough books available (cost of the book is \$10). Food and fellowship will include a "Bring Your Own Junk Food Buffet." I hope to see you there.

Important Upcoming Dates

- Saturday, May 21— Thirty One Tote Sale Fundraiser
- Sunday, May 22 — Thirty One Tote Sale Fundraiser
- Sunday, May 22— Confirmation
- Wednesday, May 25 — Schwans Fundraising Kick Off
- Sunday, June 5 — HS Graduating Senior Send off Mass
- Monday, June 13 — VBS Begins
- Wednesday, June 22 — Middle School Outing
- Monday, July 11 — Senior High Summer Fest begins
- Monday, July 25 — Junior High Summer Fest begins
- Tuesday, August 2 — Summer Stretch begins

Stewardship Report

Stewardship Report for **May 14 and 15, Week 46**, of our fiscal year:

Envelope Offering:	\$	14,748
Electronic Offering:		6,761
Total Membership Offering:		21,509

Please use your envelopes for your offerings.

Thank You

We received a thank you note from Friar John-Sebastian O.F.M., Secretariat to the Commissariat of the Holy Land USA and Franciscan Monastery USA INC for our \$1,088 contribution to the 2016 Pontifical Good Friday Collection. He said, "Please thank your people for their generous contribution to their fellow Christians in the Holy Land. They are, as you know a tiny minority in a largely Jewish and Muslim population and face many difficulties. They represent us in keeping the parishes and shrines places of worship and prayer, a living presence in the land of Jesus."

June 1 Deadline

Scholarships will be accepted until June 1 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 by June 1, 2016, to be considered for scholarship aid for the 2016/2017 school year. Due to budgeting requirements, no late scholarships 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.

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.

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.

Ministry Schedule

May 28 and 29

Sacristans

5 p.m.	Tom and Lisa Katalinich
8:45 a.m.	Chris and Judy Sones
10:45 a.m.	Diane Forsythe, Lisa McColman

Lector

5 p.m.	Sue Schrempf
8:45 a.m.	Janet Bergeron
10:45 a.m.	Tony Brausen

Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m.	Greg Butler, Bob Elfering, Margaret Hanson, Jeanette Hay, Joyce Heiland, Todd Hesse, Randy and Sandra Krautbauer, Mary Ann Lavalley, Tom and Dianne Leahy, Barb Meinert, Andrew Cone, Rita Daly, Marge Diethelm, Mike Doshan, Dan and Marguerite Dummer, Cindy Eide, Jason Hester, Jim and Betti Igel, Mike Kokesh, Ruth Kroening
8:45 a.m.	Anna Shay, Jill Sonnek, Erv and Linda Spevacek, George Barker, John and Karen Campbell, Mary Catino, Theo and Margaret Chalgren, Carol Trantow, Marty Dentinger
10:45 a.m.	

Greeter/Usher

5 p.m.	Dan Smock, Gary Sohns, Rick Stucki, Tom Vogt, LeRoy and Margaret Worm
8:45 a.m.	Troy and Sam Stukenborg, Shawn Sutherland, Robert Diethelm, Eric Hanson, Joseph Happ
10:45 a.m.	Mark and Mary Kelly, Al and Louise Lehner, Kerry Leopold, Linda Lindeman

Servers

5 p.m.	Meghan and Nick Payne, Nicholas Salwei
8:45 a.m.	Colton Schrempf, Shandon and Shanna Sutherland
10:45 a.m.	Mason Kalvoda, Ava Kunze, Sydney Weinandt

Sound

5 p.m.	Steve McNamara
8:45 a.m.	Mike Hansen
10:45 a.m.	Mitchell Holman

Music

5 p.m.	Cantor Lisa Payne — Acc. Sharon Schindler
8:45 a.m.	Cantor Mary Pat Nydahl — Acc. Sharon Schindler
10:45 a.m.	Cantor Tom Stumpf — Acc. Sharon Schindler

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

Catholic Watchmen Rally

Men are invited to the Catholic Watchmen Rally at St. Hubert in Chanhassen on Thursday, June 16, 6:30 to 9 p.m. Jeff Cavins will present on "Jesus Walking in Me: The Choices I Make." The Catholic Watchmen is an opportunity for men to draw closer to Jesus Christ and invest in fellowship with other men. There will be time for Adoration and Confession. Dinner will be provided. Registration is not required. (A free-will offering will be collected.) Contact Susanna Bolle at bolles@archspm.org or 651-291-4411 with questions.

Catholic Charities of St. Paul and Minneapolis . . .

. . . Offers a variety of services at their St. Paul location and in satellite offices throughout the area. Included are Pregnancy and Adoption Services and Mental Health Counseling and Personal Growth Programs. Call 651-647-3186 for information on these and other programs.