

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.”

Ascension of the Lord May 8, 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 Ascension of the Lord May 8, 2016

The readings for May 15

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

Reading I: Acts 2C: 1-11

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20: 19-23



These readings give us two accounts of the Pentecost event. In Luke's account "a driving wind" is heard. In John's, the Lord "breathes" upon his disciples. The apostles, even though they have been gathered together in the upper room out of fear, are now given the power of the Holy Spirit, the life-giving heart of the Church. They are also to do what Jesus did: forgive sins, heal divisions, bring about reconciliation and joy to all. All Christians are commissioned and given power to carry on this mission.

Question of the Week

Has there been a person in your life who has inspired courage within you?

Banns of Marriage

Aimee Swanson and Greg Scott

Baptisms

- **Mason Steven Klass**, son of Steve and Abby Klass
- **Evelyn Rosemerry Olson**, daughter of Anthony Olson and Jamie McMahon
- **Bennett Robert Messer**, son of Brandon and Abby
- **Charles Casey Miller**, son of Kyle and Renata
- **Hugh Frederick Meacham**, son of David and Sarah
- **Nicholas Matthew Metzger**, son of Matthew and Laura
- **Kyle Thomas Sandeen**, son of Brian and Sarah
- **Thomas Scott Severinson**, son of Erik and Lindsey

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.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, **May 10** — Barbara Mae Schmiegl †

Wednesday, **May 11** — Florian Diethelm †

Thursday, **May 12** — Judy Forcier and Family

Friday, **May 13** — Ray Jendro †

Saturday, **May 14** — Dominic Truhler

Sunday, **May 15** — 8:45 a.m. Aaron Buss †

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

69th Annual May Family Rosary Procession

Today, Sunday, May 8, Bishop Andrew Cozzens will lead the Annual May Family Rosary Procession, traditionally held on Mother's Day. Assemble at the State Capitol at 1:30 p.m. and join in the procession to the Cathedral starting at 2 p.m. If you cannot walk in the procession, you may go directly to the Cathedral to pray the Rosary with those who are in the procession. For more information, visit www.archspm.org/RosaryProcession.

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 Schmiegl 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 jschmiegl@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.

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.**

Photo Directories Available

The pictorial directories have arrived. We will be distributing them to all individuals and families with photos in the book after all the weekend Masses on May 14 and 15. In the meantime, you can stop by the parish office for your copy. (If you arranged to have your copy mailed, it should be delivered this week.) **Note:** We do not have extra copies for those who do not have photos in the book.

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



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



First Communion

Last weekend we had the pleasure of witnessing our parish children as they celebrated their First Communion with their families. I want to take a minute to extend my thanks to our Faith Formation team — Emily Klinker and Sara Svenby — along with the Catechists and volunteers who filled other vital positions this past Faith Formation season. And, a special thank you to the parents who made the trip to St. Victoria on Wednesday evenings (and for special events as well). You all can be proud of the Liturgies — the planning and care was evident and, I'd be remiss if I didn't say the music for each was great. Thank you all!

Matt Shireman

I am pleased to announce that Matt Shireman, our Seminarian, will be ordained a Deacon on Saturday, May 14. Matt is a third-year student at the St. Paul Seminary and St. Victoria has been his teaching parish. It has been my privilege as a pastor to have a role in the formation of this fine, young man. Seminarians are assigned to churches where they learn from the perspective of a parish priest or, you might say, they get some "on the job training" to prepare them for their priesthood.

Matt joined the seminary in the fall of 2011 and he will be ordained a priest next May. Matt is no stranger to the area. Growing up, he was a member of St. Therese in Deephaven, where his family still attends. This summer, he will be assigned to a parish in the Archdiocese and in the fall St. Victoria will again be his teaching parish where he will assist at Masses including delivering homilies and . When he comes back in the fall he will assist at Masses including giving the homily and will be able to celebrate (or concelebrate) Baptisms and weddings.

Stewardship

We are off to a good start with more than 200 pledge cards returned. But honestly, we need everyone to prayerfully consider making a commitment from a mindset of thanksgiving and a spirit of generosity. If you are already a contributor, even a small increase could make a big difference. And, for those who are not regular contributors, signing up to make any offering every week will really help us to fulfill 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. I also strongly encourage you to consider electronic giving. It's an easy way to commit to regular giving. Not only is it convenient for you, but it 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. **Please Note:** 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. The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic worship. Jesus stays with us in this Sacrament of Love. **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy follows.**

Sharing and Caring Hands

Volunteers from St. Victoria will help serve a meal at Sharing and Caring Hands on **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). To volunteer to serve May 22, at a future date or for information, contact Jan Wohlers at wohlershome@yahoo.com.

Parish Pastoral Council

We are again recruiting new members for our Parish Pastoral Council. Typically, members serve a three-year term with three members rotating off each year. Members of the Council are the "pulse of the parish" and able to provide Father Bob with guidance on important parish endeavors. If you are interested, please call Father Bob for more information.

Eagle Scouts

Two young men who you probably have seen at St. Victoria and are members of Boy Scout Troop 345 in Deephaven were among 17 troop members who achieved Scouting's highest rank, that of Eagle Scout. This was a remarkable accomplishment for Jim Farner and Zach McCormick and for the other members of their troop.

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 9, Mary Marcoux, Family Support Coordinator, will discuss "Understanding the Process of Grief." Call 941-3150 for info.
- **West Suburban Grief Coalition**, Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church of Plymouth, 4:30 to 6 p.m. On May 12 Mary Marcoux, Family Support Coordinator, will discuss "Understanding Grief." Call 763-559-2775 for information.
- **Annual Golf Fundraiser** for Southwest Options for Women is Friday, May 13, at Deer Run. Information at swowgolf2016.eventbrite.com.
- **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.
- **Retreat for Separated or Divorced** at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, Friday through Sunday, May 20 to 22, conducted by Fr. Jim Hengan. The theme is *Seasons of Love*. The suggested donation is \$175 per person (includes a \$30 deposit to reserve a room). Call 763-682-1394 for a registration form and/or more information.

Faith Formation

Mother's Day Rose Sale TODAY

Help support our youth and their friends who are going to Summer Festival Camp while treating your mom to a rose on Mother's Day. Our youth will be selling roses in the commons after all of the Masses this weekend. Thank you for your support!

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

- Saturday and Sunday, May 7 and 8 Mother's Day Rose Sale
- May 15 — Confirmation Sending Mass
- 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

Emily Klinker, Director of Faith Formation
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Celebrate Archbishop Hebda

We offer our prayers and good wishes to Archbishop Bernard Hebda as he is formally installed this week.

You are invited to celebrate the installation of Archbishop Bernard Hebda at three events that are open to the public. (Seating is available on a first come, first served basis.)

Thursday, May 12 — Celebration of Welcome and Evening Prayer at the Basilica of St. Mary in Minneapolis at 7 p.m. Archbishop Hebda will make his Profession of Faith and be welcomed and greet civic and religious leaders from the community. At 8 p.m. there is a public reception in the lower level of the church. Free parking is available in the lot on the west side of the Basilica (under the freeway) and paid parking is available in the Minneapolis Community and Technical College ramp east of the Basilica.

Friday, May 13 — Installation Mass at the Cathedral in St. Paul. Procession starts at 1:45 p.m. Free parking is available at the Sears parking lot and paid parking is available at the parking ramp of St. Paul College and the Minnesota History Center. Transportation will be provided from the lots to the Cathedral and back. Reserved handicapped parking is located on Selby Avenue. You can also watch live on EWTN [cable channel 16.2 local], online at www.archspm.org or listen on Relevant Radio 1330 A.M.

Friday, May 13 — Public reception from 4 to 6 p.m. at Cretin-Derham Hall High School in St. Paul. Parking is available at the school, Holy Spirit Catholic Church and on neighboring streets.

If you have questions, contact installation@archspm.org or call 651-291-4486.

Emergency Procedures

Should there be a weather emergency during a Mass or other event, you are directed to go to the lower level classrooms using the stairway at the southwest end of the Worship Space and/or the stairway near the elevator. Go to a classroom without windows (not Clare's Well or St. Michael Archangel on the west side of the building). If the classrooms are overcrowded, the hallways away from the west end of the building are also safe. Please allow elderly and/or people with disabilities to use the elevator. If using the elevator, go down the ramp and to a classroom. If the elevator is not operating, and it is not possible to use the stairs, the men's and women's restrooms on the main level are a safe alternative.

If you are in the Historic Church, exit through the sacristy into the Worship Space and proceed as described above. Do not use the door between the Historic Church and the Worship Space because the fire door may come down automatically.

In case of fire, always exit the building by the closest available doorway but do not use the doorway between the Historic Church and the Worship Space as the fire door may come down and this happens quickly.

In all cases, follow instructions from greeter/ushers and note signs posted throughout the buildings. If an emergency occurs during Faith Formation, children should follow instructions provided by their teachers.

Please note: There are flashlights in all classrooms and an AM/FM Weather Radio in the Pope Pius Room.

Stewardship Report

Ministry Schedule

Stewardship Report for **April 30 and May 1, Week 44**, of our fiscal year:

Envelope Offering: \$ 9,545
Electronic Offering: 13,608
Total Membership Offering: 23,153

Please use your envelopes for your offerings.

New Parishioners

- Chad and Michelle **Hasselius**
 - Kathy **Miller** and Cole Beevers
 - Ryan and Stacey **Olson**, Dylon and Payton
 - Jennifer **Pittman**
 - Jay **Roane**
 - Emily **Roberts**
 - Scott and Karen **Rynerson**
 - Jim and Lisa **Stallock**, Nicholas and Rachel
 - Gene and Karen **Sweet**
 - Phil and Anna **Tyler**, Easley and Leo
 - Thomas and Robin **Welch**
 - Jonathon and Amy **Zitur**
- St. Victoria now had 1,356 registered households.*

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 are invited to submit the 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, 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.

Annual Pentecost Mass and Celebration

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Office is sponsoring the Annual Pentecost Mass and celebration on Sunday, May 15, at 2 p.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church in St. Paul. Fr. Tim Nolan, the founder of the Church of St. Paul in Ham Lake, is the presider and Praise and Worship music will be led by Mary Clare Stroh and friends. Fellowship will follow the Mass. For more information, visit www.ccro-msp.org or call 763-571-5314.

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.

May 14 and 15

Sacristans

5 p.m. Tim and Wendy Amundsen
8:45 a.m. Sue Halverson, Diane Theis
10:45 a.m. Erv and Linda Spevacek

Lector

5 p.m. Lisa Payne
8:45 a.m. Kurt Bongard
10:45 a.m. Adrienne Brausen

Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m. Randy and Sandra Krautbauer, Debra McMillan, Mary Moore, Katharine Paulsen, Ken Pavett, Rose Rooney, Doris Schmieg, Jerry Schmieg, Nancy Schmieg, Elaine Scholl, Sue Schrempp
8:45 a.m. Jim and Betti Igel, Mike Kokesh, Ruth Kroening, Michael Lanners, Sharon Lauwagie, Pat Moore, Jim and Debbie Moss, Nancy Rezac, Dave and Ellen Roan
10:45 a.m. Rachel Anderson, Mary Catino, Theo and Margaret Chalgren, Carol Trantow, Marty Dentinger, Greg and Hannah Erickson, Ann Esping, Diane Forsythe, Joe Hamilton, Marcus Hoffman

Greeter/Usher

5 p.m. Tom and Lisa Katalinich, Kerry McMillan, Robert Muller, Robert Schmieg, Phillip Smith
8:45 a.m. Kevin and Mary Hoffman, Mike Jeurissen, Chris and Cheryl Mach, Scott Micek
10:45 a.m. Donovan and Sam Esping, Mark Kelly, Linda Lindeman, Don and Sue Roper

Servers

5 p.m. Krew Barber, Meghan and Nick Payne
8:45 a.m. Shandon and Shanna Sutherland, Megan Jeurissen
10:45 a.m. Regan Anderson, Frank Heenie, Evie Heiland

Sound

5 p.m. Roger Osweiler
8:45 a.m. Tim Woodfield
10:45 a.m. William Olson

Music

5 p.m. Cantor Caroline Swanson — Acc. Phil Grant
8:45 a.m. Cantor Elizabeth Nowak — Acc. Sharon Schindler
10:45 a.m. Adult Praise Band — Acc. Elizabeth Nowak

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

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.