

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.”

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 24, 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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Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time July 24, 2016

The readings for July 31

Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Reading I: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Reading II: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21



The “Parable of the Rich Fool,” told only by Luke, contrasts those who place their trust in material possessions with those who recognize their complete dependence on God. The parable challenges us to rethink our priorities and our attitudes about wealth. It also calls us to make a decision about possessiveness and then act on our decision. By refusing to decide the case, Jesus forces the two brothers to come to their own decisions. The parable challenges us to “see first the rein of God.”

Question of the Week

Perhaps you know someone who has spent years planning for retirement and then something goes wrong. What can you do today that will last no matter what happens?

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 **August 6 and 7.**
- 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, September 8.**

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

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.)

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.



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

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, **July 26** — Barbara Mae Schmieg †

Wednesday, **July 27** — The Charles Johnson Family

Thursday, **July 28** — Victor and Evelyn Schneider †

Friday, **July 29** — Cora Vogel †

Saturday, **July 30** — Irene Boll

Sunday, **July 31** — 8:45 a.m. Bill Kaufhold †

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

Super Heroes Are Coming Led by Captain America

We’re pretty sure we are going to have a visit by no less than Captain America! (Maybe more than once!)

Where? Lion’s Park

What? Annual Sunset Fest

When? August 27

Who? Everyone is invited

Why? It’s nearing the end of summer



Once again, plans are underway for our annual Sunset Fest in Lion’s Park.

We’ll start the day at 9 a.m. with the All Saints 5k Fun Run starting at Lion’s Park and winding through Victoria.

There’s also a children’s run at 10 a.m. Sign-up for the run on line, check last week’s bulletin insert for instructions to purchase a free “Q Reader” at the App store, or register the day of the race.

An evening of fun starts with an outdoor Mass at 5 p.m. Following Mass, we’ll enjoy a delicious picnic supper, there’ll be music by The Tuxedo Band, dancing, games for the little kids and Bingo for the big kids. Tickets will go on sale after Masses and in the parish office in August.

Once again, there will be a raffle with great prizes. It’s going to be different this year — and we’ll share details in the near future.

Right now, it’s time to mark your calendar so you are sure to be there! It’s also time to think about volunteering to help with one or more of the activities. There’ll be a sign-up soon.

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.

Confirmation for Those With Special Needs

Confirmation is available for people with special needs, or mental or physical disabilities, who are age 16 or older. Classes will be held Saturdays, August 20 and 27, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Church of St. Richard in Richfield. Both classes are mandatory for guardians and candidates. Pre-registration is required. Candidates will be confirmed during the Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities on Sunday, September 11, at 3 p.m. For more information, go to www.archspm.org/events. To register, contact Deacon Sean or Joan Curtan at curtans@archspm.org or 651-291-4543.



Volunteer Appreciation

This weekend we are taking some time to honor our volunteers and to share with you how important you are to the success of St. Victoria and its many ministries. Whether you volunteer to help celebrate at our Masses, help feed people in need, visit the sick, deliver Communion to the homebound, serve lemonade or coffee, say special prayers or take the time to join us at Mass — **Thank you!**

I hope you are planning to join us for pizza and lemonade after the 10:45 a.m. Mass this weekend. If you attend Mass at 5 p.m. on Saturday or 8:45 a.m. on Sunday, please think about coming back for a bit of lunch with us. Everyone is welcome — we hope to see you.

The Mystery of Faith

As you know, St. Victoria recently announced a joint effort with the Carver County Community Development Agency (CDA) to develop 2.5 acres of church land to build a senior housing facility for elderly residents of our community of limited means to call home. We embraced this outreach to seniors as an extension of our calling to offer radical hospitality and as an embodiment of our mission to reach out to all as the face and hands of Jesus. Sadly, the steep slopes and contours of the land that we had to offer, upon which the facility would have been built, proved to be too challenging and expensive for the engineers to accommodate. The CDA informed us this week that despite all of their creative efforts, the projected cost of necessary site work for grading, retaining walls and utility constraints came in more than \$1 million over budget. And as such, the proposed facility would not achieve our mutual affordability expectations. Significantly, the draft traffic study for the site showed no significant negative impact to neighborhood traffic flows, but the site engineering constraints made traffic concerns a moot issue. Despite our disappointment that this endeavor will not now move forward, I am gratified that our parish family was party to this bold effort to serve the elderly of our community. No doubt, God will bring to light good things from our willingness to serve that are now hidden to us. Until then, as Saint Paul wrote in 1 Timothy 3:9, we will “hold fast to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience.”

Stewardship

Our 2016-2017 Stewardship Campaign has officially ended and I'm pleased to announce the final numbers. We received 357 stewardship pledges totaling \$717,446.80 and 125 debt reduction pledges totaling \$108,472. With the addition of 102 continuing Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) stewardship offerings of \$115,640, the stewardship total is \$833,087. Likewise, the addition of 16 EFT offerings for debt reduction brings that total to \$116,512. This year, I also am pleased to report that we added significantly to the number of parishioners using EFT for their contributions. We are now at 20 percent parish-wide. Thank you to everyone for your generosity. It is never taken for granted and it is our privilege and our mission to use the funds to care for our church and to continue our many ministries as we reach out to be the face and hands of Jesus Christ.

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. Come before Him today. Ask for His spirit, the breath of His joy and presence of His love. **Chaplet of Divine Mercy follows.**

Summer Friday Outdoor Masses

The Summer Friday Outdoor Mass on **July 29** is at 8 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic High School, hosted by Principal (and parishioner) Kathie Brown. The address is 8101 Kochia Lane, Victoria. Contact Kathie at brownk@hfchs.org. **Directions from St. Victoria:** Turn right onto County Road 11. Turn left onto County Road 18 and then turn left onto Kochia Lane. Turn right into Holy Family's parking lot. Mass will be on the front lawn of the school. In case of rain, the Mass will move inside the school to the chapel.

(Directions and maps can be found on our website.)

Summer Friday Hours

During the summer, the parish office closes at 2 p.m. on Fridays.

Sharing and Caring Hands

Volunteers from St. Victoria will help serve a meal at Sharing and Caring Hands on **Monday, August 15**. 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.

Fresh Start Collection

There's still time to participate in the Fresh Start Collection organized by St. Victoria's Launch Ministry. St. Victoria recently introduced our Launch Ministry formed to aid the Launch Ministry headquartered in Chaska. This organization provides a wide variety of services for young adults, 18 to 29, who are seeking to find their way in today's world. Our Launch Ministry is holding a **Fresh Start Collection** for homeless people who qualify for a state-funded program because they need assistance or because they have found a stream of income and are about to move into a home. (This program is administered by the leaders of Launch Ministry.) If you selected a tag to provide an item for St. Victoria's Ministry "Fresh Start" initiative designed to help a person about to move into his or her own home (typically an apartment), please drop off your donation this weekend (July 23 and 24) or in the parish office during the week. As we know, making a home is a memorable experience, but also one that can be expensive. It is the hope of St. Victoria's Launch Ministry that through donations, the cost can be less and the experience made better. Each Fresh Start basket will have a selection of household items and a prayer of good will from our parish. Thank you for your generosity.

Football Camp

Holy Family Catholic High School is holding its annual One-Day, Sunday, Fun-Day Football Camp on Sunday, July 31, 1:30 to 6 p.m., for athletes entering second through ninth grades. Rich Gannon, former NFL Football player and current CBS Sports Analyst, is the featured coach and he will be joined by other college coaches and Peter Westerhaus, a Holy Family graduate, who earned the Minnesota Mr. Football Award in 2010. Pick up a brochure in the Commons this weekend for details.

Elsewhere...

- **Queen of the Americas Guild Conference** at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in LaCrosse, Wisc., July 29 and 30. Details at www.queenoftheamericaguild.org.

Faith Formation

Important Upcoming Dates

- Monday, July 25, to Friday, July 29 — Junior High Summer Festival
- Tuesday, August 2 — Summer Stretch begins
- Wednesday, September 21 — Faith Formation Kick-Off Mass

Senior High Bible Study

Join us for a five-week Bible Study on the Book of Acts. We meet on Sunday afternoons (through July 31) from 3 to 4:30 p.m. with food, fun and fellowship. Please email Tanya if you plan to attend, but drop-ins are welcome.

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.

Catechists Needed

And, speaking of Faith Formation, we invite you to think about volunteering as a catechist for the upcoming season. It can be a very fulfilling and faith-filled opportunity and we promise great support and training. Here are just a few reasons why you might want to give this some serious thought:

- You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church and deepen your relationship with Jesus.
- Your baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry.
- Children, teens and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus.
- Children, teens and adults in today's world, more than ever, also need to encounter good role models of faith.
- You have much to share with those you'll teach and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.
- You'll be challenged, you'll have fun and you'll make new friends.
- You'll be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus (you'll be evangelizing).
- You'll be sharing a 2000-year-old tradition that changes lives.
- It's our job: Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations."
(Provided by Joe Paprocki, author, speaker and catechist.)

Be sure to pray for the Middle School Campers and their chaperones who will be at SummerFest this week.

Blackfeet Nation Mission Trip — 2017

We strongly believe that a mission trip is a beautiful way to live our church motto by being an instrument for Christ to use to minister to others. It is a way to solidify all that we learn during Faith Formation, as well as help our youth develop and grow important life skills in a meaningful way. We will be partnering with YouthWorks this year to travel to Heart Butte, MT, to minister to the third largest reservation in
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Montana. Our plan is to reserve our first 10-plus spots with YouthWorks by August 1 to secure the discounted rate. Reserve your place now by contacting Tanya at 443-2661 x221.

VIRTUS

All volunteers who work with children and youth at St. Victoria are required to attend a VIRTUS Training Session. If you are a catechist or other Faith Formation volunteer, a Confirmation leader, a volunteer at special events and/or retreats or similar events, and have not attended VIRTUS since 2012, please plan to attend the training session scheduled at St. Victoria on Tuesday, August 9, 6 to 9 p.m. To register, go to www.virtus.org and click on the registration link and select Saint Paul and Minneapolis (Archdiocese) from the drop-down menu.

Note: If you previously completed VIRTUS Training, you will need to be recertified. This is a 30-minute, online update. You also may go to www.virtus.org for this recertification. Please let Emily know when you have completed the recertification.

Please remember that this training is required for all volunteers working with children and youth both by St. Victoria and the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. Call Emily with questions/concerns.

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Stay Connected

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Facebook is [St. Victoria Parish Family](https://www.facebook.com/St.VictoriaParishFamily)
Parish Website is www.stvictoria.net

Catechetical Institute Sign-up

This fall, the Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute will begin another two-year course at the St. Paul Seminary campus. Taught by some of the best instructors in the Twin Cities, the program follows the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and will make sense of all things Catholic, deepen your faith, and lay out the roadmap to heaven. The classes are divided into four 11-week modules and meet on Monday evenings, 7 to 9 p.m., with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module. The deadline to register has been extended to Sunday, July 31, for the classes beginning in September. For information and an application, call 651-962-5028 or visit www.CIstudent.com.

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

Stewardship Report

Stewardship Report for **July 16 and 17, Week 3**, of our fiscal year:

Envelope Offering: \$ 44,343
Electronic Offering: 7,631
Total Membership Offering: 51,974*

Second Collection for Debt Reduction: \$4,750

*Total includes a generous donation from an anonymous donor.

Please use your envelopes for your contributions.

Case Dismissed

In June 2015, the Ramsey County Attorney's Office brought civil and criminal charges against the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis alleging a failure to protect children in the handling of a former priest, Curtis Wehmeyer. In December 2015, the Archdiocese settled the civil claims and entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Ramsey County Attorney. The criminal case remained pending.

The Archdiocese appeared in Court on Wednesday, July 20, to report on its progress implementing its child-protection protocols under the civil Settlement Agreement. The report was accepted by the Judge and the Ramsey County Attorney. The civil case will remain active until February 2020 and the Archdiocese will file periodic progress reports with the Court until then.

You may also have read or heard that the Ramsey County Attorney's Office dropped the criminal charges against the Archdiocese. That concludes the criminal proceedings. The Archdiocese will continue to work with the Ramsey County Attorney to implement the Settlement Agreement as part of its ongoing commitment to protect children.

Please continue to pray for healing and peace for all those who have been abused and pray for priests and the Church that it is a safe and welcoming place for all.

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**.

Breakfast in the Park

Enjoy a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage and all the fixings prepared by Chef Bob DeMaris and crew at River City Days at the park in Chaska on Sunday, July 31, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All the proceeds benefit Love INC. Volunteers are needed as cashiers and to bus tables. To volunteer, go to www.loveincecc.org/volunteer/give-time-2/ or call 448-2508.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

The next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat in the Twin Cities is August 5 to 7. If you, or someone you love, is grieving the loss of a child or children to abortion, experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ at a weekend retreat. For more information, contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313 or visit www.rvineyardmn.org.

Ministry Schedule

July 30 and 31

Sacristans

5 p.m. Jacque Krause, Roger Osweiler
8:45 a.m. Mark and Linnea Lylum
10:45 a.m. Diane Forsythe, Lisa McColman

Lector

5 p.m. Cynthia McKee
8:45 a.m. Dennis Vorgert
10:45 a.m. Gloria Wolf

Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m. Katherine Paulsen, Luci Tellers, Bobby and Mary Beth Wulf, Tim and Wendy Amundsen, David and Jessica Bruns, Greg Butler, Bob Elfering, Margaret Hanson, Jeanette Hay Barb Meinert, Pat Moore, Jim and Debbie Moss, Nancy Rezac, Dave and Ellen Roan, Barbara Schultz, Chris and Judy Sones, Laura Synstegaard, Diane Theis
8:45 a.m. Gina Holman, Tim and Judy Kearney, Joan Klinger, Kristen Kowalski, Louise Lehner, Deb LeMay, Kerry Leopold, Linda Lindeman, Kathryn Paradise, Rob and Brianne Raiolo

Greeter/Usher

5 p.m. Steve and Nancy Schmiege, LeRoy and Margaret Worm, Gary and Anne Delaney
8:45 a.m. Kevin and Mary Hoffman, Gary and Sharon Lauwagie, Chris and Cheryl Mach
10:45 a.m. Jill and Steve Sonnek and family, Janet Bergeron, Sam Deweese

Servers

5 p.m. Daniella Krause, Meghan and Nick Payne
8:45 a.m. Colton Schrempp, Shandon and Shanna Sutherland
10:45 a.m. Sarah Johnson, Cody Kack, Mason Kalvoda

Sound

5 p.m. Randy Krause
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 Nydal — Acc. TBD
10:45 a.m. Cantor Caroline Swanson — Acc. Elizabeth Nowak

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

St. John Paul II Champions for Life Awards

Do you know of someone who devotes his or her time to helping the poor, elderly, disabled, pregnant, or is committed to praying for Respect Life issues? He or she may be the next Champion for Life. The Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis is looking to honor those who respect life at the annual St. John Paul II Champions for Life Awards. To submit a nomination or for more information, go to archspm.org and search keywords "Champions for Life". Questions? Please contact Nancy Schulte Palacheck at 651-291-4489 or MFL@archspm.org. The deadline to submit nominations is August 1.

Leading With Faith

Archbishop Bernard Hebda will present the "Leading With Faith" Awards, sponsored by *The Catholic Spirit*, at a noon luncheon on Thursday, August 18, in Rauenhorst Hall in the Coeur de Catherine Building at St. Catherine University. For reservations, go to www.archspm.org/Events or call or email Mary Gibbs at 651-251-7709 or gibbsm@archspm.org.