

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.”

Third Sunday of Easter April 15, 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.

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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Third Sunday of Easter
April 15, 2018

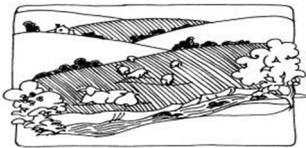
April 22

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Reading I: Acts 4:8-12

Reading II: 1 John 3:1-2

Gospel: John 10:11-18



During the Easter season, we look at how Jesus' Resurrection continues to affect people's lives. In the first reading from Acts, Peter heals a cripple in the manner and power of Jesus. In John's Gospel, Jesus describes himself as a *good* shepherd. He knows his sheep by name; he knows their habits and traits. His sheep know him. His love for them is so great that he freely lays down his life for them. People who know each other in the deep way described in this passage share their thoughts, feelings and will. They become one heart and one mind. Each has no life without the other. Jesus and his Father know each other in that way. Now Jesus tells his followers that they too have a share in this depth and intimacy.

Question of the Week

Have you allowed the people in your life to come to know you, as Jesus knows his sheep? What gets in the way?

Banns of Marriage

Gail Kolden and Peter Wunch

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 Baptisms will be celebrated on May 12 and 13.**
- 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 **Thursday, July 12.**
- 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.
- Contact Mary Harvey at mharvey@stvictoria.org or 443-2661 x206 for information or to schedule a Baptism.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, **April 17** — Marie Bruner †

Wednesday, **April 18** — Family of Jerry and Gerda Schmiege

Thursday, **April 19** — George and Theresa Schmiege †

Friday, **April 20** — Fr. Fred Schneider †

Saturday, **April 21** — Joseph Pezzuto for Healing

Sunday, **April 22** — 8:45 a.m. Donald Cotnoir †

10:45 a.m. St. Victoria Parishioners

Cemetery Clean-up

Please **remove all flowers and decorations** currently on gravesites by Monday, April 23. Anything remaining in the cemetery on April 24 will be removed and (if in good condition) left by recycling containers on the south side of the church. After two weeks, everything will be discarded.

Depending on the weather, you may begin placing spring and summer flowers and plants (live or artificial) on the gravesites on May 15. If the date changes, we will publish new information. Please remember that nothing may be planted or placed on the ground — everything must be placed in a standing pot or on a shepherd's hook (one at each gravesite). Decorations, plants and flowers that are not in or on the proper containers will be removed.

On another note — currently we are planning our **spring clean up** around the grounds, including the cemetery, for Saturday, May 5, but this date may change if the late spring snows and cold weather continue.

Thank you for your cooperation and help in following our cemetery rules and for thinking about donating a couple hours for our spring clean-up.

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.**

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 may submit a 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, 2018, to be considered for scholarship aid for the 2018/2019 school year. To facilitate 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.



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

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

From the Pastor's Desk...



I'm Back

I am back from my wonderful tour of Ireland. It was a great time. And, now I get to attend one of my favorite events of the year. Tuesday evening, April 17, I will accompany 58 young men and women and their parents and sponsors to the Basilica of St. Mary to witness their Confirmation. They have put an incredible amount of work into preparing for this momentous occasion on their faith journey. Please join me in congratulating them and offering up special prayers.

Parish Pastoral Council

We are again recruiting new members for St. Victoria's Parish Pastoral Council. Members serve a three-year term with three new members coming on each year while three veteran members rotate off. We typically meet every other month on a Thursday evening during the school year. Membership on the council is a wonderful way to serve our parish. You are the "pulse of the parish" and able to provide me with guidance on important parish endeavors.

The qualities I look for in a council member are these: a love for the parish; engaged in the life of the parish and a sense for the needs of the parish; serious about and actively pursuing an authentic spiritual life; and able to draw from experience of life both professionally and personally to offer solid counsel on pastoral matters.

If you are interested in possibly serving on the council, please call me for more information.

Whole Hearted Living

"Whole Hearted Living" is growing and is having a wonderful impact with the women of St. Victoria. Deb LeMay tells me that she has already noticed a "sense of belonging" as more women are becoming increasingly comfortable with the facilitated group format. As her first nine groups evolve, there is an opportunity to add more women.

If you're seeking a spiritual practice that will open you to a deeper connection with God, yourself and one another, Whole Hearted Living may be exactly what you're looking for.

Deb leads women through prayer, relevant topics and helps weave these insights and understandings into each woman's own personal faith and spiritual journey. There is no planning required, simply show up and enjoy sharing and growing in faith together. If you would like to join a group or get more information, please call Deb at 952-297-4255, or email at dlemay@hotmail.com.

Thank you

We received the following thank you note:

"Cross Catholic Outreach wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Fr. Hunstiger on his recent visit to your parish. On behalf of the poorest of the poor, we thank you for having shared in their lives. May our Lord continue to bless all of you for your love and support." **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. By spending time with Jesus in the Eucharist you are able to establish a truly personal relationship with Him. **Chaplet of Divine Mercy follows.**

Happenings at St. Victoria ...

Gatherings This Week ...

Finance Council will meet Tuesday, April 17, at 4:30 p.m. in Clare's Well.

All are welcome to attend.

Sharing and Caring Hands

Volunteers from St. Victoria will help serve a meal at Sharing and Caring Hands **tomorrow, Monday, April 16**. St. Victoria serves this ministry the third Monday of every month and currently additional volunteers are needed for this ministry. If you would like to volunteer, or for more information, contact Coordinator Dennis Brown, 443-4690.

Rummage Sale

- **The Spring Rummage Sale** sponsored by Catholic United Financial is Thursday, May 3, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Friday, May 4, (bag day), 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Drop-off** dates are Sunday, April 29, after the 10:45 a.m. Mass until 7 p.m. and Monday and Tuesday, April 30 and May 1, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (**Note:** No large furniture items, computers or micro-wave ovens will be accepted.)
- **Set-up** is Wednesday, May 2, starting after the 8 a.m. Daily Mass. There's lunch and then fellowship when the work is done! **No donations will be accepted on set-up day.**
- **Clean-up** starts at 3 p.m. on Friday, May 4.
- **Volunteers** are needed everyday.

(Note: If you have kindly donated salads or desserts for recent funerals, please remember to pick up your bowls and plates or they will be donated for the rummage sale.)

Elsewhere ...

- **Kindergarten Roundup** at Guardian Angels in Chaska, Wednesday, April 25, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., in the Kindergarten classroom with Mrs. Scott. RSVP to 1staudohar@gachaska.org or pscott@Gachaska.org or call Lisa at 227-4011.
- **Graduate Studies Info Night.** Learn more about Master of Arts in Theology, Religious Education or Pastoral Ministry at St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity, Thursday, April 19, Archbishop Ireland Memorial Library, 5 to 6 p.m. information session and refreshments; 6:15 to 9:15 optional class observation. RSVP to gradtheology@stthomas.edu or 651-962-5069.
- **Living and Growing Through Loss** sponsored by Southwest Grief Coalition spring sessions at Family of Christ Lutheran Church in Chanhassen. Gather at 5:30 p.m. for supper, 6 p.m. speaker, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. small groups. Speaker Monday, April 16 is Gregg Aamont discussing Grief. Register for childcare at 934-5659.
- **Easter Retreat** "The Joy of the Resurrection" at St. John's Abbey Guesthouse, Colledgeville, Wednesday, May 9 to Friday, May 11. \$185 single room; \$320 double. All meals included. Learn more or register at www.abbeyguesthouse.org or 320-363-3929.
- **Celebration of Christian Hope in Word and Music** Sunday, April 22, 4 p.m. in Mary's Chapel at the St. Paul Seminary. Free and open to the public.
- **Jeans and Gems**, annual fundraiser for Southern Valley Alliance for Battered Women, Friday, April 27, Mystic Lake Center. \$75 per person; advance tickets only at www.svabw.org.

Faith Formation

Important Upcoming Dates

April 15	Children's Liturgy, Faith Fest and Face and Hands
April 17	Confirmation at the Basilica
April 18	Final Faith Formation
April 21	First Communion Retreat
April 22	Children's Liturgy
April 29	Children's Liturgy
May 2	First Communion Rehearsal
May 5 and 6	First Communion

Faith Formation

Faith Fest

Please take time this week to stop by the tables in the Commons for our annual Faith Fest. Each class has a display highlighting their Faith Formation year. You will see projects, pictures, prayers, memories and so much more. Be sure to talk to the children who are standing by their display, they would like to share with you all the great experiences they had this year.

4th and 5th Grade Fiesta!

All 4th and 5th grade children are invited to attend a fun fiesta overnight. We will begin Friday evening with a taco fiesta, then spend the rest of the night having some fun and growing in friendships through games and faith building. We will enjoy a movie as we tuck into our sleeping bags for some rest. In the morning we will wrap up with breakfast. This event will take place on Friday, May 4, starting at 6 p.m. and we will finish up at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 5. Registration for the event is available on the parish website and will be open through Wednesday, May 2.

If you are a high school teen who would like to help out with this event, we can use you. We also do need both male and female adult chaperones to help out with this event. To help out or if you have any questions, contact Sara in the parish office.

Daughters of the King

It is time for our 3rd Annual Daughters of the King overnight. This event on April 27 and 28 is open to all girls in second and third grade. Being a girl in today's world can be hard, but with some friends and faith, we can make it a little easier. Join us for a night of friendship and faith and learning how special we are as daughters of the one true king — God! If you have any questions, contact Sara in the parish office.

Vacation Bible School Dates

There's still snow on the ground and summer seems so far away, but plans are underway for summer programming. Before we know it, summer camp signups will be out and will fill up quickly, vacation plans will be made and cabin weekends planned. Please don't forget to include Vacation Bible School (VBS) in your summer plans! This year VBS will be held the week of June 18 to 22. We meet from 9 a.m. to noon each day. Registration starts soon.

Youth Ministry

Face and Hands Event

Join us for our Face and Hands Event today, Sunday,

April 15, 6 to 8 p.m. Arrive a few minutes early to check out the Faith Fest boards in the Commons, join us to celebrate Mass together and hear from inspiring speaker, Fr. John Forliti, a renowned speaker and author, who will talk about how we can "live" as Catholics.

Summer Festival Registration

Registration is open — we're going to camp July 15-18. We want your child to join us!

We'd love for your Middle Schooler to join Ann, Emily, Theo, our High School Leadership group, and teens from all over the Midwest at Summer Festival Camp July 15 to 18. St. Victoria has been taking teens to this camp for 15-plus years and teens always love it. Summer Festival is a multi-denominational camp that intertwines outrageous games, inspiring speakers, music and faith in a powerful format that ensures there is something wonderful for everyone. Check out the camp promo video at <https://summerfestivalcamp.com> Teens are welcome to bring any and all friends too!! The Cost of Camp is \$285 with early bird registration until May 1, after that it is \$325. To hold your spot, please make your non-refundable \$85 deposit on the parish website. If you are interested in hearing more or have questions, shoot us an email.

Sacramental Reminders

We are quickly approaching sacraments for our children and youth. Please keep them in your prayers as they complete their formation to receive the sacraments.

The **First Communion Retreat** is April 21, Rehearsal is May 2 and First Communion Masses are May 5 and 6.

The 10th Grade Parents, Students and Sponsors Confirmation Rite of **Sending** is today, April 15, and **Confirmation** is April 17.

Confirmation

Confirmation of our 10th Graders is rapidly approaching and we ask for prayers for each of our 58 students as they embrace being a disciple for Christ in our Catholic Church. We are looking forward to presenting our Confirmation Candidates to the parish at the Sending Mass on April 15 at our 6 p.m. Face and Hands Mass. Confirmation families and "prayer partners" are invited to a small reception after this Mass. Confirmation is at the Basilica of St. Mary on Tuesday, April 17. We can't wait.

Registration

Registration for the 2018-19 Faith Formation season is now open. All current Faith Formation families should have received an email from Emily last week. If you are not currently enrolled in Faith Formation, information can now be found on our parish website.

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

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Twitter is [@Saint_Victoria](#)
Facebook is [St. Victoria Parish Family](#)
www.stvictoria.net

Summer Camps

Holy Family Catholic High School Summer Camp

registration is open to the community to provide a safe place to explore new interests and improve skills. Camps range from cooking to acting and fencing to volleyball. Information and registration at www.hfchs.org/firecamps.

Stewardship Report

Ministry Schedule

Stewardship Report for **April 7 and 8, Week 41**, of our fiscal year:

Envelope Offering:	\$ 9,830
Electronic Offering:	7,733
Total Membership Offering:	17,563

(Thank you for using your envelopes.)

Next weekend, April 21 and 22, is our second collection earmarked for mortgage debt reduction. This special collection occurs the third full 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.

Catholic Services Appeal

There's still time to contribute or pledge to the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) to provide help through 18 ministries funded by the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation to brothers and sisters throughout our larger community and the world. To make a contribution, there are envelopes in the kiosk that can be dropped in the collection basket or sent directly to the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation.

Archdiocesan Opportunities

- **Join Hundreds of Single Catholics of all ages** at the National Catholic Singles Conference June 8 to 10 at the Hilton Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport Mall of America. Weekend includes dynamic speakers, music, social events, prayer, food, fellowship and more. Space is limited so register now. For information or to register go to www.NationalCatholicSingles.com or call 512-766-5798. Use promo code NCSCMSP to receive a special discount. Note: This is the first time the conference has been held in the Twin Cities.
- **Pulse Twin Cities**, an evangelistic, ecumenical event on May 18 at U.S. Bank Stadium is expected to draw tens of thousands of people from all denominations with the goal of impacting many who may not know Jesus with a message of His love. For more information go to <http://vimeo.com/261959216>.
- **2018 Leading With Faith Awards** are due by Friday, May 4. If you know a great Catholic who is in a leadership position at his or her place of business, nominate that person. Information and printable nomination forms at TheCatholicSpirit.com/LeadingWithFaith or contact Mary Wiebusch at 651-251-7709 or wiebuschm@archspm.org.
- **Called and Gifted Workshop** Saturday, April 28, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Mary, Mother of the Church in Burnsville. Explore the ancient teaching of the Church on how gifts (or charisms) of the Holy Spirit work in life and the life of a parish. Cost is \$80 and includes materials, refreshments and follow-up personal discernment guidance. Register at archspm.org/called-gifted. Contact Patrick Conley at 651-357-1340 or pconley@cathedralsaintpaul.org.
- **Catholic Watchmen Rally and Marian Procession** on Tuesday, May 8, 6:30 to 9 p.m. at All Saints Parish in Minneapolis. Evening includes Eucharistic Adoration, Marian Procession, dinner and talk by Archbishop Hebda. Register at TheCatholicWatchmen.com. Free-will offering. Contact Enzo Randazzo at randazzov@archspm.org or 651-291-4483 with questions.

April 21 and 22

Sacristans

5 p.m.	Joyce Burau, Roger Osweiler
8:45 a.m.	Diane Theis, Leslie Trcka
10:45 a.m.	Tom and Becki Tinucci

Lectors

5 p.m.	Cynthia McKee
8:45 a.m.	Tom Welch
10:45 a.m.	Joe Hamilton

Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m.	Tim Amundsen, Jeanette Hay, Todd Hesse, Tom and Lisa Katalinich, Barb Meinert, Mary Moore, Charles Schmidt, Carol Spalding, Bobby and Mary Beth Wulf
8:45 a.m.	Jim Alessio, Renee Boraas, Adrienne Carrica, Dan and Marguerite Dummer, Cindy Funk, Mike Kokesh, Jim and Debbie Moss, Nancy Rezac, Barbara Schultz, Diane Theis
10:45 a.m.	George Barker, Ann Esping, Diane Forsythe, Gina Holman, Tim Kearney, Michelle Kunze, Deb LeMay, Kerry Leopold, Cherie McGraw, Rob and Brianne Raiolo, Annette Smyser

Greeter/Usher

5 p.m.	Tom, Lisa and Maggie Katalinich, Phillip Smith, LeRoy and Margaret Worm
8:45 a.m.	Doug and Susan Hines, Kevin and Mary Hoffman, Joe Konietzo, Scott Monson
10:45 a.m.	Mark and Mary Kelly, Luke Knowles, Greg Pavett, Erv and Linda Spevacek

Servers

5 p.m.	Ethan Weinandt, Arin Hausmann, Grant Hayes
8:45 a.m.	Nate Nicklaus, Lilly and Henry Trcka
10:45 a.m.	Lily Esping, Joe and Nathan Tinucci

Sound

5 p.m.	Tim Woodfield
8:45 a.m.	Elena Bergren
10:45 a.m.	Mitchell Holman

Music

5 p.m.	Agape Singers — Acc. Ameer Gallagher
8:45 a.m.	Cantor Mary Pat Nydahl — Acc. Sharon Schindler
10:45 a.m.	Cantor Elizabeth Nowak — Acc. Ameer Gallagher

There is Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 8:45 and 10:45 a.m. Masses this week.

Quo Vadis Youth Vocation Camps

Camps for young men and women discerning religious life will be offered at St. John Vianney College Seminary on the University of St. Thomas campus this summer. July 8 to 11 is for young men and July 15 to 18 is for young women. Each session begins on Sunday with a 4:15 p.m. reception followed by Sunday Mass and concludes on Wednesday at 1 p.m. The camp includes Mass, prayer, talks, field trips to visit religious communities, confession, Rosary and fun and recreation. The camp experience is for youth ages 14 to 17 to learn that nothing is more important than discovering God's will for your life — and living it. Space is limited. For information and registration, visit 10000vocations.org.