

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.”

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 29, 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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April 29, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 6

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Reading I: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Reading II: 1 John 4:7-10

Gospel: John 15:9-17



In this Gospel Jesus makes it clear that his leaving is not everything. He promises that his disciples will live on in his love by keeping the commandments. He promises them joy in their continued union, and he is glad to call them friends. Jesus reminds them that he has made known to them all that he heard from the Father. The challenge for them is to go forward and bear fruit by loving one another. God sent his only Son that “we might have life through Him.” Others are to have through us. In the reading from Acts, Peter comes to realize that this gift is to be extended to uncircumcised Gentiles as well as Jews. Anyone who reverences God and acts according to God’s will is acceptable to God.

Question of the Week

As you reflect on Jesus calling you his friend, what thoughts and feelings come to you?

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.)

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.**

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, **May 1** — Roger Krueger †

Wednesday, **May 2** — John Kock †

Thursday, **May 3** — Dalles Notermann †

Friday, **May 4** — George Notermann †

Saturday, **May 5** — Victor and Evelyn Schneider †

Sunday, **May 6** — 8:45 a.m. Hilarion Timmers †
 10:45 a.m. St. Victoria Parishioners

Spring Clean-up Saturday, May 5 9 a.m. to Noon

Whole Hearted Living

If you are seeking a new spiritual practice that will open you to a deeper connection to God, yourself and one another, Whole Hearted Living may be exactly what you are looking for. Deb LeMay 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 — just show up and enjoy sharing and growing in faith together.

If you would like to join a group or get more information, please contact Deb at 297-4255 or dlemay57@hotmail.com.

Scholarship Requests

Requests for scholarships are now being accepted from all 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 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.

Treasures of the Church

An exposition of Sacred Relics presented by Fr. Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross will be held at St. John the Baptist in Excelsior on Wednesday, May 30, at 6 p.m. The Treasures of the Church lets people experience the living God through an encounter with the relics of the saints. The exposition begins with multi-media presentations on the Church’s use of relics. After, those in attendance will have an opportunity to venerate the relics. There will be more than 150 relics shown, some believed to be as old as 2,000 years. The ministry travels through North America by invitation. To date, it has been hosted in 48 U.S. states as well as in various countries worldwide. To find out more about the relics to be presented, visit <http://www.treasuresofthechurch.com>.



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



Stewardship Commitment

This weekend is the official start of our 2018-2019 Stewardship Commitment season. This is our opportunity to show our appreciation for our church and to equip our parish family to reach out to all as the face and hands of Jesus. I ask you to prayerfully consider your participation and make a commitment or contribution to help in any way that you can. You have no doubt read on numerous occasions our thank you for sharing your time, talent and treasure with St. Victoria. While the Stewardship Commitment focuses on sharing our treasure, it does not diminish sharing our time and talent. The three together are what makes it possible for St. Victoria to reach out as the face and hands of Jesus Christ. Thank you for sharing whatever is possible. Know that your generosity and faithfulness are welcomed and appreciated.

Spring Planting

Above I mentioned sharing your time and talent. This weekend there is an opportunity to sign-up to do just that. Much like our Fall Harvest of Gifts, Spring Planting is a time to sign up for a variety of ministries including Faith Formation, music and liturgy, maintenance, as wedding coordinators and others. I hope you will take time to check out the opportunities highlighted in the Commons to be part of our volunteer corps that keeps us marching along. When you find something interesting, talk with the representative who is present to get more information.

Great Memories

I want to share a few thoughts about my tour to Ireland. First off, what a great group of fellow travelers, most of them from our parish. Add to that the fact that we had an extraordinary tour guide who was well versed on the history, culture and the people of Ireland.

This was my first time visiting Northern Ireland. It was enlightening to hear about the animosity between Catholics and the Church of England and how difficult and dangerous life was. It was sobering to know that great strides toward peace have been made, but there remains lingering deep wounds on both sides. In Belfast we visited the Titanic Museum (where the ship was actually built) and an old jail. Both were incredible, but the visit to the jail was troubling. It was hard to imagine a starving, young child going to jail for stealing a loaf of bread. Life throughout this island country has been hard in this cold, damp climate eking out a living and then coupled with the travesty of the potato famine. While life is much better today, I think the people learned to survive with laughter, wit and charm, inner strength and love of life.

A highlight was visiting Downpatrick, the burial site of St. Patrick. Being so familiar with his story, it was exciting to be actually standing at his gravesite. And, I have to add that the food all through Ireland was extraordinary!

I also want to share that I have visited with Sue and Alan Orsen since returning home. As many of you know, while in Ireland Sue was hit by a car in the crosswalk and suffered considerable injury, but fortunately no neck, spine or head injuries. With Alan at her side, she spent a week in the hospital before returning home. Know she is getting stronger and is in great spirits.

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. Chaplet of Divine Mercy follows.

Rummage Sale

Hope you have had time to clean out your closets, attics and basements because this is "Rummage Sale Week."

- **The Spring Rummage Sale** on Thursday, May 3, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday (bag day), May 4, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., is sponsored by Catholic United Financial.
- **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:** Large furniture, mattresses and box springs, computers and monitors or towers, TVs, microwave ovens, children's car seats and baby cribs that do not meet current safety standards **will not be accepted. No exceptions.**)
- **Set-up** is Wednesday, May 2, starting after the 8 a.m. Daily Mass. There's lunch and fellowship when the work is done! **No additional donations will be accepted on set-up day.**
- **Clean-up** starts at 3 p.m. on Friday, May 4.
- **Volunteers are needed everyday.**
- **Proceeds** benefit St. Victoria's educational pursuits.
- **Claim dishes, bowls, etc.,** kindly brought to recent funerals and items in the Lost and Found Box or they will be donated to the rummage sale. (Dishes are in a cabinet in the hall by Elstan Hall; lost and found items are in a box on the coat rack in the Commons.)

Enjoy shopping! Check out the "Better Goods Section!" Stop by the Coffee Corner for a cup of "Joe" and a sweet treat! (Sweets donated by Kwik Trip and Holiday.)

Elsewhere ...

- **Living and Growing Through Loss** sponsored by Southwest Grief Coalition at Family of Christ Lutheran Church in Chanhassen. Gather at 5:30 p.m. for supper, 6 p.m. speaker, 6:30 p.m. small groups. Speaker Monday, April 30 is Brenda Demotte, MSW, LICSW, Prof. Counseling and Grief Services, Inc. "Grief and Resilience." Register for childcare at 934-5659.
- **Easter Retreat** "The Joy of the Resurrection" at St. John's Abbey Guesthouse, Collegeville, Wednesday, May 9 to Friday, May 11. \$185 single room; \$320 double. All meals included. Learn more or register at 320-363-3929 or www.abbeyguesthouse.org.
- **Golf Event** at Deer Run Friday, May 4, to support Southwest Options for Women. Information and registration at swowgolf2018.eventbrite.com.
- **Restorative Justice and Healing** with Justice Janine Geske Sunday, April 29, 1 to 3 p.m., at St. Joseph the Worker in Maple Grove and 4 to 6 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes in Minneapolis.
- **Father's Cup** 3rd Annual Golf Scramble Saturday, June 16, 1 to 6 p.m., at Deer Run Golf Club. \$100/player includes 18 holes, range, cart, lunch, contest and prizes. \$20 of every entry fee benefits local Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Father/child teams register by June 8 with Tom Struthers, 401-3383 or tom@turnkeydirect.net.
- **May Cursillo Ultreya** (Western Ultreya) Sunday, May 20, St. Hubert Catholic Community, 7 p.m. in the North Fellowship Hall. Speaker is Bob Hinnenkamp. Rosary at 6:30 p.m. in the family room.

Faith Formation

Important Upcoming Dates

April 29	Children's Liturgy
May 2	First Communion Rehearsal
May 4	4th and 5th Grade Overnight
May 5	Coffee and Conversation
May 5 and 6	First Communion
May 12 and 13	Mother's Day Rose Sale Fundraiser
May 20	Graduation Celebration for High School Seniors

Registration

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

Catechist Appreciation

All Faith Formation Volunteers (VBS, Children's Liturgy, Faith Formation, Confirmation, Childcare) are invited to join us at Fr. Bob's house at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1, for one last time together before the summer. We will celebrate a great year and look toward the future of our fantastic Faith Formation season. Check your inbox for your invitation or check with Emily.

Adult Formation

Coffee and Conversation

Join us on Saturday, May 5, 9 a.m., for our virtual Holy Land Pilgrimage studying Jesus and the New Testament gaining a basic understanding of place names, locations and distances. Deacon Ray "will be our guide."

Faith Formation

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 is available on the parish website until May 2.

If you are a high school teen who would like to help out with our Fiesta, 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.

Vacation Bible School Dates

The snow is mostly gone and summer still seems 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

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 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.

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

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 stairways 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 the Archangel on 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 gate 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 gated 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 or Vacation Bible School, children should follow instructions provided by their teachers and leaders.

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

Stay Connected

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

Stewardship Report

Ministry Schedule

Stewardship Report for **April 21 and 22, Week 43** of our fiscal year:

Envelope Offering: \$ 10,027
Electronic Offering: 5,004
Total Membership Offering: 15,031
Second Collection for Debt Reduction: \$3,711
Tithing: \$1,430 for Sharing and Caring Hands

(Thank you for using your envelopes.)

Cemetery Update

Please remove winter/holiday decorations from the cemetery as soon as possible. Anything left after April 30 will be removed. If it is in good condition it will be left by the recycling bins for two weeks for owners to retrieve.

You may begin placing spring and summer flowers and plants in the cemetery on May 15. Reminder: Everything must be in a standing pot or on a shepherd's hook. Also, remember that it is not the responsibility of St. Victoria to water and care for plants on gravesites. Remember also that plants, flowers or other decorations left on the ground will be removed. There will be no exceptions allowed.

Thank you to everyone for your cooperation!

Around the Archdiocese

Judy Cozzens, mother of Bishop Andrew Cozzens will present "*Tips for Sharing Our Faith in Our Families*" **today, Sunday, April 29, 10:30 a.m. at Annunciation Parish** in Minneapolis. Mass at 9:30 followed by coffee and treats before her presentation.

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/2619599216>.

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 call 512-766-5798 or go to www.NationalCatholicSingles.com. Use promo code NCSCMSP to receive a special discount. Note: This is the first time the conference has been held in the Twin Cities.

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.

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.

Holy Hours for Vocations on Tuesday, May 8, 7 to 8 p.m., at Church of St. Michael in Stillwater.

May 5 and 6

Sacristans

5 p.m. Tim Amundsen, Roger Osweiler
8:45 a.m. Laura Synstegaard
10:45 a.m. Julie Catalino, Rose Rooney

Lectors

5 p.m. Michon Conklin
8:45 a.m. Nan Emmer
10:45 a.m. Tony Brausen

Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m. Jeanette Hay, Joyce Heiland, Todd Hesse, Lisa Kraayenbrink, Mary Moore, Dennis Oas, Charles Schmidt, Carol Spalding, Karl and Patty Tauscher, Bobby and Mary Beth Wulf
8:45 a.m. Jim Alessio, Mary Bishop, Jim Emmer, Jim and Betti Igel, Roger Jackels, Mike Kokesh, Ruth Kroening, Michael Lanners, Sharon Lauwagie, Pat Moore, Nancy Rezac
10:45 a.m. George Barker, Marcus Hoffman, Gina Holman, Joan Klinger, Louise Lehner, Deb LeMay, Jeff Lenzmeier, Kathryn Paradise, Anna Shay, Annette Smyser, Erv and Linda Spevacek

Greeter/Usher

5 p.m. Tom and Marty Cashman, David and Kristen Kowalski, Paula Osweiler, Cindy Worm
8:45 a.m. Jim, Wendi and Jacob Alessio, Brigid Lund, Ralph and Nancy Rezac
10:45 a.m. Lucia Barker, Bob and Becca Kack, Carisa Kuntz, Dick and Kathy Sether

Servers

5 p.m. Laura Contreras, Arin Hausmann, Ethan Weinandt
8:45 a.m. Lydia Jackels, Conor Maguire, Rose Senior
10:45 a.m. Joey and Sadie Holman, Jakob Lenzmeier

Sound

5 p.m. Roger Osweiler
8:45 a.m. Scott Johnson
10:45 a.m. Mitchell Holman

Music

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

**There is no Children's Liturgy of the Word
On May 6, First Communion Weekend.**

K-8 Summer Camps

St. Joseph School in Waconia is offering exciting Summer Camps! Camp Invention, STEM in the Kitchen, Basketball Camps, Volleyball Camps and full-time/part-time/flexible summer care for school aged children (K-5) are just a few of the offerings open to the community. You do not have to be enrolled at St. Joseph School to register. For more information, visit the website and Summer Camps Catalog at <https://school.stjosephwaconia.org/programs/summer-registration/>.

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