

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.”

November 6, 2011
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 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

Marriage: call nine months in advance, 443-2661

Baptisms: 443-2661

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November 6, 2011**

Food for thought . . .

The readings for November 13, 2011

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30



you are
children
of light
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As we approach the end of the liturgical year, our attention is drawn more and more to the end of our lives and the accounting we must give for our use of God's gifts. Jesus' parable speaks for itself. The faithful servants are generously rewarded because they were responsible and used what was given to them. Our relationship with God is not a cold business deal. But God expects us to show gratitude for the gifts given and for God's confidence in our mature sense of responsibility by using these talents. Which leads us to the question of the week:

Question of the Week

If your life ended today, what from your life would you be most pleased to set before God?

Welcome to St. Victoria

If you are a guest 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 x11. **(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 Franciscan Commons. Thank you.)

Spiritual Direction

Spiritual Direction encourages you to explore a closer relationship with God. Call Craig Hamilton at 612-237-3463 or Deb LeMay at 448-7135 for more information and/or an appointment. Scholarships are available; call the parish office for more information.

Baptism Information

- The next **Jordan Night** (Baptism Class) at St. Victoria is November 17, at 6 p.m., in Clare's Well. If you are expecting a child (birth or adoption) in the next few months, and have not attended a class within the last three years, please register for a class. **We do ask parents to fulfill this requirement prior to a Baptism.**
- We need to see a copy of your child's birth certificate prior to the Baptism.
- When planning your child's Baptism, please be aware that you may have only one man and one woman as sponsors and one must be a Confirmed Catholic. (Or, you may have just one sponsor.)
- **The next Baptisms are scheduled** on November 12 and 13. Baptisms are celebrated during all Masses and after the 5 p.m. Saturday and 10:45 a.m. Sunday Liturgies.
- **Contact** Mary Harvey in the parish office at 443-2661 x16 or mharvey@stvictoria.org to schedule a Baptism, register for Jordan Night and/or for information.



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

Masses Intentions

Tuesday, **November 8**— 8 a.m. George Krauth †

Wednesday, **November 9** — Irene Stocker †

Thursday, **November 10** — Ed Held †

Friday, **November 11** — George and Marianne Riel †

Saturday, **November 12** — Irene Kielkopf †

Sunday, **November 13** — 8:45 a.m. Chuck Leonard †
10:45 a.m. Parishioners of St. Victoria

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 Balster at 443-3119** or **Wendy Rex Mielke at 679-4155**.

Holy Family

Open House — Holy Family Catholic High School will hold an open house on Tuesday, November 8, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Meet students, parents, alumni and teachers, learn about curriculum, extracurricular activities and the new Leadership Institute.

Coffee and Conversation — Looking for a quick introduction to the school? On the first Wednesday of each month (second Wednesday in April), from 7:30 to 8 a.m., you can learn about the school and have your questions answered. Tours are available after the presentation.



Jaycee Rose Kamrath, daughter of Jason and Becky

Special Masses on Saturday, November 12

Annual Mass to publicly honor and thank our active Military Personnel and Veterans (living and deceased) for their service to our country is at 10 a.m., at the Basilica of St. Mary with Bishop Lee Piché presiding.

7th Annual Archdiocesan Mass in Celebration of Adoption, sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office for Marriage, Family and Life, is at 5:15 p.m. at Our Lady of Grace in Edina. Parents, birth parents, grandparents, children, other family members and friends are all welcome. For information or to volunteer, call 651-291-4506.

**Preparing for the New Translation of the Mass
The Liturgy of the Word**

On the First Sunday of Advent (November 27, 2011) Catholic parishes in the United States will begin praying the texts of the Mass using a new English translation of *The Roman Missal*. This week, we explore the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

We begin by preparing the altar for the holy sacrifice to come. In the Prayer over the Gifts we get ready to offer ourselves and our lives together with the bread and wine so that we too might be transformed by God. In the Preface we proclaim the reasons that we give God our thanks and praise. Then comes the great Eucharistic Prayer by which we render our thanks and praise to God the Father. As we recall what Jesus said and we do what he did at the Last Supper, God transforms the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ, and we pray that we will also be transformed by the Eucharist we celebrate and receive. We ratify this wonderful action with the Great Amen, and we prepare for the culmination of the Liturgy of the Eucharist in Holy Communion.



Fr. Tim Dolan

As you probably remember, as "Dean" of Deanery 10, I have had the privilege of presiding at the "Installation Masses" for the priests recently assigned to parishes in our Deanery. Last Sunday, it was my pleasure to install Fr. Tim Dolan at Our Lady of the Lake in Mound.

I have known Fr. Tim for a long time. We went to high school together at St. Thomas Academy and we go on the same priest retreat in Prior Lake every year. (By the way, it's next week, November 6 to 11.) We've also been neighbors before since I've been at St. Victoria when Fr. Tim was at St. George's in Long Lake.

Fr. Tim is from a musical family and he has taken courses in administration at the University of St. Thomas (and he's quite good at it). As a journeyman pastor, after leaving St. George's, he did a stint at Annunciation in Minneapolis and was in Zumbrota, MN, before coming back to Deanery 10 and Our Lady of the Lake. We're happy to have him back in the neighborhood!

Holy Land Tour

I like to think of my tour to the Holy Land that I'm leading next April as an "Adult Vacation Bible School." You can be on vacation and learning more about the *Bible* while actually experiencing many of the places and sites where the moments of the *Bible* took place. **Next Sunday, November 13, right after the 10:45 a.m. Mass I'm planning an information session.** I hope that over the next week you will think about going on this trip and join me on Sunday to hear all about what could be the vacation of a lifetime. In the meantime, there are brochures in the Franciscan Commons or you can see all the details on our parish website at www.stvictoria.net under Upcoming Events.

Reminder

Next weekend, November 12 and 13, there will be a second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) and World Mission Sunday**. The money collected will be divided equally between them. (There are envelopes in the kiosk in the Franciscan Commons if you prefer to send your contribution separately.)

HATS OFF . . . I'm dreaming of a Happy Christmas . . . Recently there was a special newscast about families who are struggling to make ends meet and hoping to plan for Christmas — almost impossible with the economy as it is. St. Victoria, through our tithing program, has stepped up and with the willing hands of our Women's Focus Groups we are able to send clothing and toys to the people in Appalachia (one of the poorest regions in the U.S.) again this year. Special thanks to **Dorothy Kelzer** who has kept this beautiful mission alive for over 30 years. Thanks to our personal shoppers including **Carol Dungan, Carol Trantow, Cynn timer Harris, Corrine Eiden, Joni Jeurissen, Patty Schlader** and to **Roger Leuthner** who transported the gifts to the central shipping site. There will be many very happy faces from infants to adults. Thanks to all!

Fr. Bob

Our 12-Hour Eucharistic Adoration is held in the Historic Church, beginning at 8:30 a.m. (after 8 a.m. Mass) every Thursday and ends at 8 p.m. Jesus stays with us in the Blessed Sacrament to refresh us in mind, heart and in spirit. **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy follows.**

Mass of Remembrance

We will celebrate our 8th Annual Mass of Remembrance on **Tuesday, November 15**, at 7 p.m., in the Historic Church. This special Liturgy is intended for anyone who has lost a loved one, whether 99 years or older or not yet born. We will remember, in a very prayerful way, those who have died, celebrating their lives and hopefully bringing healing into our lives through God's loving presence in celebration of the Eucharist. All parishioners and friends are invited to this special celebration of life. (If you are planning to attend, if you would like, we encourage you to bring a small, unframed picture of your loved one who has passed that can be pinned on a board at the front of church as a way to remember them in yet another very special way.)



Sharing and Caring Hands

Volunteers from St. Victoria will help serve a meal at Sharing and Caring Hands on **Monday, November 21**. Call Jane Wenning at 763-218-2083 for information. St. Victoria volunteers serve on the third Monday of every month.

Simpson Housing Dinner

St. Victoria volunteers will prepare and serve a meal for guests (men who are homeless and seeking overnight shelter) at Simpson Housing on **Saturday, November 19**. Volunteers help cook and serve the meal and/or contribute desserts. For more information, call Kathy Hamilton at 270-1454.

Thanksgiving Help

On Thanksgiving Day (November 24), Love INC and area churches will serve a free Thanksgiving Dinner to those in need. St. John's Lutheran Church in Chaska will again host the dinner. Individuals and families can help with preparation on Wednesday, November 23, from 5 to 7 p.m. or with hosting and serving from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving. **Volunteers are also needed on Saturday, November 19**, to pack and deliver food to families in need. To sign up, visit www.loveincecc.org and click on Upcoming Events.

Elsewhere...

- **Pancake Breakfast** hosted by KC Council 2505 (supports St. Joseph, St. Bernard and St. Victoria) Sunday, Nov. 13, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at St. Joe's in Waconia.
- **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**, Nov. 18 through 20, Franciscan Retreat House in Prior Lake. Call 612-840-7630 or visit www.wme.org for more information.
- **Catholic Overnight**, at the University of St. Thomas, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 18 and 19, for high school seniors to learn about Catholic studies and the Catholic community there. Call 651-962-5704 for information.
- **Christmas Bazaar and lunch**, St. Bernard's in Cologne, Saturday, Nov. 19, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **Fall Festival and chicken dinner**, East Union Lutheran Church, **today, Sunday, Nov. 6**, 4 to 6 p.m.
- **Holiday Boutique**, St. George's in Long Lake, Saturday, Nov. 19, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., includes a gingerbread house decorating contest with winners announced at the KC benefit **pancake breakfast** at the church for Ricky Whitmore on Sunday (8:30 to 11:30 a.m.) Call 473-1247.



Year of the Family

Faith Formation Classes for Grades K-8 meet this Wednesday, November 9, at regular session times.

- **Sunday, November 13 — First Reconciliation Family Night** with Magician Brian Richards. The magic of love and forgiveness! 6:30 p.m. Don't forget to RSVP to me for your family.
- **November 16 — Parish Communal Penance Service and First Reconciliation** at 6:30 p.m. All families are invited to attend this penance service. No regular Faith Formation classes will meet.
- **November 23 — No Classes!** May we all take this time to be thankful for our many blessings.

Fun Event for our 5th and 6th Graders is planned on Friday, November 18. It's our 4th annual night at Grand Slam in Burnsville. All our 5th and 6th Graders and their friends are invited to **join us** for a night of fun! Registration forms will be going home with kids and information and registration material also will be available on our website at www.stvictoria.org. There'll be additional information in the bulletin. Hope you can join us.

Collecting unwanted Halloween Candy at Faith Formation. Many of us likely have candy that no one will eat leftover from Halloween. We will take your donations for our Operation Christmas Child Boxes. Send your unwanted candy to Faith Formation with your K through 8th Graders on November 9.

Parenting Opportunities:

Book Study on "Connected Families" Parenting Book by Jim and Lynn Jackson will meet next on November 16 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Micki Donovan and Sue Roper will facilitate. Questions? Contact me.

Speakers: Jim and Lynn Jackson will be back on Saturday, November 19, 9 to 11 a.m., in the Worship Space talking about Challenging Children. All parents, grandparents — all interested people — are invited!

Children's Liturgy Sunday will take place next Sunday, November 13, during the 8:45 and the 10:45 a.m. Masses. This will be your family's opportunity to learn more about this wonderful children's ministry. All children ages 4 through grade 1 will be invited to "check it out." Information also will be provided by the Co-Coordinators Stacy Reiff and Rachel Rice. Check out the **purple table** when you arrive at Mass and get name tags for your children. Questions? Please contact me or Joni Wohl.

Trunk – N – Treat was awesome! It was really amazing to see all the families — children and teens — who joined us for the first annual Trunk and Treat event here at St. Victoria. More than 130 people were in the parking lot on Saturday night in full costume and with trunks decorated enjoying some Family Halloween time together. Thanks to those who came forward to help at the last minute — your willingness to help was greatly appreciated. It was a **spooktacular event!**

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Giving Tree — Tags will be distributed by our Confirmation Candidates next weekend (November 12 and 13). This event benefits families in need of Christmas gifts and is an effort of the CAP agency. We will also include a handful of tags dedicated to families from our sister parish in San Felix, Venezuela, Jesucristo Resucitado.

9th Grade Confirmation Retreat to Koinonia Retreat Center in Annandale, MN, is November 18 and 19. We will depart from St. Victoria at 4 p.m. on Friday and return at 5 p.m. on Saturday. All 9th grade Confirmation candidates are required to attend. Permission slips were handed out at Confirmation on November 2 and should be returned on the 9th. Contact me with questions.

Reminder: We have a regular class schedule this Wednesday, November 9. Please note, however, that there will be no regular Confirmation classes on November 16 or 23. 9th and 10th grade students are required to attend the Penance Service on Wednesday, November 16, at 6:30 p.m. in place of regular classes. Enjoy your Thanksgiving break on the 23rd.

Youth Minister

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Nick

Welcome to Our New Parishioners ...

- Mary **Catino**
- Eric and Sandy **Hanson** and Tyler
- Chris and Stacie **Kaufmann**, Elizabeth and William
- Donzel and Tracy **Leggett**, Donnie, Gianna, Joanel and Sierra
- Doris **Lucas**
- Matt and Katie **Sammons**, Ryan and Tyler
- Gerald and Annette **Smyser**
- Rhonda **Zimmer**, Alexis and Sophia
St. Victoria now has 1,141 registered households.

Helpful Aids

If you should need them, we have a wheel chair and a walker available for use at the church. Ask an usher if one of them would be helpful for you or someone else. Also, there are pews reserved for people who have challenges that require more convenient seating.

Missing a Stroller?

A stroller was left at the church recently. If it is yours and you have been wondering where it is, call the parish office to claim it.

Job Opening

St. John the Baptist in Jordan is looking for a part time Director of Music Ministries (6 to 10 hours per week). Requires knowledge of Catholic music and liturgy, keyboard and vocal skills. Email resume to pbeckius@frontiernet.net.

Stewardship Report

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Stewardship Report for **October 29 and 30, Week 18**, of our Fiscal Year:

Envelope Offering:	\$	14,893
Electronic Offering:		1,837
Total Member Offering:		16,730
YTD operating revenue thru September 30:	\$	369,111
YTD Revenue Variance from Budget:		39,145
YTD Total Operating Income:		81,094
YTD Net Income Variance:		42,718

New Church Mortgage: \$3,044,542

September revenues of \$369,111 includes \$57,816 in debt reduction offerings as well as continued new pledge church fulfillment of \$12,948. Thank you!

Please use your envelopes for your contributions

Faith Formation Grades K-8

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Consider it Joy (CIJ) Support Group is returning and will focus on parenting children with ADHD and other attention disorders. The sessions will be offered during both Faith



Formation sessions (5 and 6:30 p.m.) the second Wednesday of the month (except the first Wednesday in March) starting on November 9. The group will meet in the Reconciliation Room (off the main Worship Space). There is no cost and registration is not required. Just come when you can. The group is led by Lisa

Payne. Contact Lisa at lpayne@inscapepublishing.com or me with questions or for more information.

Operation Christmas Child 2011

We need more supplies donated! The K through 8 Faith Formation children are excited about filling as many boxes as possible again this year. **Every box** we fill blesses a child and lets that child know that God loves them and that they are never alone. **Help us fill these boxes.** We need the entire parish to help us bless children this Christmas! **Here's how:**

- Donate small toys or candy so the kids can fill additional boxes. Drop off supplies in the parish office. The Dollar Aisle at Target is a great place to shop — pens, pencils, paper, crayons, small cars, balls, stuffed animals, toothbrush/paste, hard candy, t-shirts and more.
- Donate cash so we can buy supplies to fill boxes.
- Fill your own box or two at home and drop it off in the parish office.

Join us and be a part of bringing *joy* to the life of a child! Questions? Let me or Joni know.

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

Ministry Schedule

November 12 and 13

Sacristans

5 p.m.	Joyce Burau, Ardys Forster
8:45 a.m.	Dave and Mary Hentges
10:45 a.m.	Lisa McColman, Gloria Wolf

Lector

5 p.m.	Marce Johnson
8:45 a.m.	Joe Carrica
10:45 a.m.	John Helgerson

Eucharistic Ministers

5 p.m.	Karl and Patty Tauscher, Tim and Wendy Amundsen, Greg Butler, Jim Curran, Jan Dunlap, Bob Elfering, Donna Forrer, Joyce Heiland, Todd Hesse, John Hintzen
8:45 a.m.	Sharon Lauwagie, Shelli McGuire, Wendy Mielke, Pat Moore, Jim and Debbie Moss, Nancy Rezac, Dave Roan, Dick and Patty Schlader, Chris and Judy Sones
10:45 a.m.	Kay Arnold, Gina Holman, Joan Klinger, Louise Lehner, Deb LeMay, Jeff Lenzmeier, Linda Lindeman, Cherie McGraw, Debra McMillan, Ken Pavett, Brian Pulvermacher, Rob Raiolo

Greeter/Ushers

5 p.m.	LeRoy and Margaret Worm, Gary Delaney, Carol Fischenich, Joseph Forrer, Monica Grengs
8:45 a.m.	Ryan Wenning, Jon and Nancy Carlson, Dawn and Jenna Ewanika, Eric Hanson
10:45 a.m.	Mark, Mary, Bridget and Megan Kelly, Sean and Heather Neubauer

Servers

5 p.m.	Caroline Crowley, Zachary Osweiler, Garrett Stubson
8:45 a.m.	Colin McGlennen, Jack Murphy, Erin Roan
10:45 a.m.	Matt and Michael McGraw, Christopher McNamara

Sound

5 p.m.	Phillip Smith
8:45 a.m.	Mike Hansen
10:45 a.m.	Al McColman

Music

5 p.m.	Handbell Choir — Acc. Sharon Schindler
8:45 a.m.	Cantor, Mary Pat Nydal — Acc. Sue Orsen
10:45 a.m.	Adult Choir — Acc. Sue Orsen

Children's Liturgy

8:45 a.m.	Cindy Worm, Dawn and Carley Dammann, Kate Struthers
10:45 a.m.	Laura White, Stacy Reiff, Alyson and Emily Pulvermacher



Wear your name tag after Mass this weekend and stop by the Victoria Subway for a complimentary cup of coffee or freshly baked cookie.

Reminder: Please do not leave unwanted, used clothing (or other items) at the church unless they have been requested (a clothing drive, rummage sale, etc.) You may take donations to the Blessed Bee Store in Chaska at 2450 Chaska Boulevard. Clothing that is left at the church will be discarded, not saved or delivered to an agency.