

St. Mary of Victories & St. Stephen of Hungary Chapel

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January 24, 2016 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions this week:

Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased
	11:00 a.m.	For Patricia Harrison (Fr. Harrison's sister) on her birthday
Monday:	5:00 a.m.	For Rebecca Downs' intentions, requested by Robert & Rebecca Downs
Tuesday:	5:00 a.m.	Albert J. Brifius (deceased), requested by Imelda Taylor
Wednesday:	5:00 a.m.	Ann O'Connor (deceased), requested by her grandson Richard Lucas
Thursday:	5:00 a.m.	For Harrison Downs' intentions, requested by Robert & Rebecca Downs
Friday:	5:00 a.m.	Mary Brifius (deceased), requested by Imelda Taylor
Saturday:	5:00 a.m.	For members of "PrayforBishopsNow.org", requested by John Hladky
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	Riley Lucas (deceased), requested by his son Richard Lucas
	11:00 a.m.	For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased

First Sunday Collection, January 17:	9:00 a.m.	\$405.00
	11:00 a.m.	\$64.00
Special Collection: Missouri Flood Victims:	9:00 a.m.	\$135.00
	11:00 a.m.	\$90.00

Readings for 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (pp. 540-542): Today we begin this year's series of readings from St. Luke. He begins his Gospel by emphasizing how he has relied on eyewitness testimony for the historical authenticity of what he writes. Today's readings emphasize that *God's Word is the foundation of our spiritual life* – as individuals and as Church. Faith is the most basic of the three theological virtues, and it consists precisely in our trusting acceptance of God's word. In the 1st reading (Nehemiah) we hear how the public proclamation of the rediscovered *Torah* (the Law of Moses) laid a new foundation for Israel's national life after they returned from Babylon. In the Gospel, our Lord publicly reveals for the first time his Spirit-anointed mission to announce the Good News.

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'Credo' Lenten Day of Recollection: on Saturday, February 13, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Oratory of SS. Gregory & Augustine, St. Louis Abbey (Mason Road). Latin Mass celebrated by Fr. Harrison, confessions, rosary, two spiritual conferences by Fr. Paul Hoelsing, Dean of Seminarians at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. Cost: \$25 or \$15 (students), including lunch. Register with PayPal at www.credostlouis.org or send checks to Credo, c/o Tom Hoover, 3835 Westminster Place, St. Louis, MO 63108 (314-371-1653, credostlouis@gmail.com). *Take a flyer at the door.*

Imádkozatok betegeinkért: Please pray for our sick parishioners, especially Jimmy Essex, Frank Borkin, Dante Proseri, and others who are suffering pain as advancing years take their toll.

Catholic Men for Christ Conference: Peabody Opera House, all day Saturday, February 6th. Great speakers as always, including St. Louis' Msgr. Eugene Morris and two dynamic converts to the Catholic faith. The focus will be on marriage and the family. The cost till Feb. 3rd is \$45, including lunch. Take home a flyer from the entrance and register online at www.catholicmenforchrist.org.

"Five First Saturdays" Presentation and Discussion: Starting February 6th we will be hosting a further series of five monthly sessions (10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.) presented mainly by our liturgical scholar Stan Metheny. This will be followed by a Rosary and 15 minute spiritual reflection given by the Dominican Brothers in the Church. More details to be announced. Contact Jim Hooper (618-741-9308).

'Mass Mob', March 20: On Palm Sunday our historic church will host many visitors as part of the "Mass Mob" program. You can help raise funds by baking a big batch of cookies to sell that day!

Candlemas Celebration: Tuesday, February 2nd, is the Feast of the Presentation (or the Purification) in the Temple, We will celebrate this beautiful and ancient Feast at 7:00 p.m. (Details of the Mass to be announced next Sunday.) Bring your candles for the traditional blessing!

PRAYER FOR ST. MARY OF VICTORIES

Our heavenly Father, / long ago you inspired our German forefathers in the Faith / to raise this beautiful house of prayer and sacrifice / in honor of your Son's most holy Mother, / Our Lady of Victories. Your Providence then brought many Hungarians here / under the co-patronage of the holy King, Saint Stephen. / We humbly place before you today / the spiritual and temporal needs of our historic church / and its present-day community. / Grant us the grace to discern your holy will, / and to fulfill it zealously as faithful witnesses to the Gospel, / here in the old heart of our city, / for as long as it may please your Divine Majesty.

Saint Mary of Victories, *pray for us.*

Saint Stephen of Hungary, *pray for us.*

In the name of the Father, . . .