

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

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## March 20, 2016 – Palm (Passion) Sunday

### Mass Intentions this week:

Sunday:            10:00 a.m.    For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased  
Monday:           5:00 a.m.    For George Welsh, requested by Christopher Ferrara  
Tuesday:           5:00 a.m.    Holy Souls in Purgatory, requested by John Conley  
Wednesday:       5:00 a.m.    For Mark Bailey, requested by Eileen Weingart  
Thursday:          7:00 p.m.    For the health of Kristy Knipple, requested by Patricia Kachelmeyer  
Friday - Saturday    (*Good Friday and Holy Saturday - no Masses offered*)  
Sunday:            9:00 a.m.    Maizie Stuck (deceased), requested by her brother Richard Lucas  
                         11:00 a.m.    For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased

<b>Sunday Collection, March 13:</b>	9:00 a.m.	\$300.00
	11:00 a.m.	\$318.00

**The Palm Sunday Liturgy** (see booklet for readings): This solemn commencement of Holy Week is *dramatic* in the fullest sense of the word. Holding our palm branches and processing into the church, we literally re-enact the jubilant welcome given to our Lord as he entered in triumph into Jerusalem. But then, in a humbling moment of sharp contrast during the same Mass, we participate in the reading of the Passion, hearing the shameful words of the crowd who cry for the crucifixion and death of the Savior. The Church is reminding all of us today how we too are often as fickle as that Jerusalem crowd, praising Jesus while we are in church, and then soon offending him by our sins and selfishness. Holy Week is the supreme moment of the year to ask for mercy, grace, and a purification of our inner life.

**‘Mass Mob’:** Today we welcome many visitors to our historic church, which has been selected to participate in the “Mass Mob” program, highlighting churches of particular historical and artistic importance in St. Louis. Coffee & donuts after Mass, and also our big fund-raising cookie sale! *Please support our church by generously buying a nice big bunch of cookies!!*

### **OTHER HOLY WEEK LITURGIES:** (both will be Latin & English *Novus Ordo*):

**Holy Thursday, March 24:** Mass of the Lord’s Supper, **7:00 p.m.** All are invited to stay for a while for adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at the monument (up till 10:00 p.m.)

**Good Friday, March 25:** Way of the Cross: the ‘Communion and Liberation’ group will host St. Louis’ only public *Via Crucis*, walking from SMV up to the Arch. We’ll begin by praying the Divine Office at **12:00 pm**. Solemn Commemoration of the Lord’s Passion will begin at **3:00 p.m.** We do not have an Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday night. Easter Sunday Masses will be at the usual times.

### **SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS COMING WEEK:**

- 1. Good Friday:** for the Church in the Holy Land. This is the Holy Father’s annual appeal to all the world’s Catholics. Please support our Palestinian Christian brethren as well as the Franciscan and other religious communities there who house and feed the poor, provide education, and maintain shrines and parishes. Visit [www.myfranciscan.org](http://www.myfranciscan.org) for more.
- 2. Easter Sunday:** for *Regina Cleri* retirement home. Please be really generous in supporting these St. Louis Archdiocesan priests who have given their lives to serve God and us members of their flocks, and who now depend on our grateful support in their last years on earth. Please read Archbishop Carlson’s message on the back of this bulletin, and pray that his upcoming knee replacement operation, scheduled for March 29, will be fully successful.

**Imádkozatok betegeinkért:** Please pray for our sick folks, especially Jimmy Essex, Dante Proserpi, and Raqueal Lymore. Our old friend **Frank Borkin**, who passed away on March 5<sup>th</sup>, will be honored with a Memorial Mass here on **Saturday, April 30**. Our dear organist Rose Marie Koerner is recovering well from her knee replacement operation and will hopefully be back with us for Easter!

**Easter Sunday:** Next Sunday, we celebrate the high point of the whole Church year – the glorious Resurrection of our Savior! Easter, as always, will be a special day at St. Mary’s for **your children**, with our annual Easter Egg hunt with the Easter Bunny after the 11:00 a.m. Mass!

**Support Catholic Radio!** Please take a flyer at the door with the March schedule for Covenant Network Radio (part of the EWTN family).

***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, . . .*