

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

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Rev. Brian W. Harrison, O.S., Chaplain Confessions ½ hour before Mass
Sunday Masses: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
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July 24, 2016 – Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions this week:

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Fr. James Rodis (deceased) requested by Max Kaiser, Jr.
11:00 a.m. For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased
Monday: 5:00 a.m. For Fr. Patrick Fletcher, requested by Ishmael Avilés
(Tuesday to Saturday: no 5:00 a.m. Masses at SMV during Msgr. McCarthy's trip to Colorado)
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased
11:00 a.m. Frank Borkin (deceased), requested by James & Colleen La Croix

Sunday Collection, July 17th:
9:00 a.m. \$467.00
11:00 a.m. \$220.00

Financial Summary, June 2016: Income: \$3,999.99; Expenses: \$9,204.51; **Net loss: \$5,204.52.**

(Remember, as an option you can give to the collection using your Smart Phone using our online service at this web address: <http://give.SMOV.info>. See announcement below: "Online Giving".)

Readings for the 17th Sunday (pp. 604-606): Today's Bible selections stress the power of persevering prayer, like that of Abraham (1st reading, Genesis). As well as exhorting us to pray always, our Lord also gives us a model prayer – the "Our Father". St. Luke's version, which we hear today, is shorter than better known form found in Matthew, but it includes the most essential points: the privilege of calling God our *Father* (springing from our Baptism, as St. Paul reminds us in the 2nd reading from Colossians), the duty of seeking God's honor and will before all else; confidently asking Him for our temporal and above all spiritual needs, the need for forgiveness, and protection from evil.

Oblates of Wisdom meeting in Colorado. This coming week our two resident priests, Fr. Harrison and Msgr. McCarthy, will be joining other priests of the Oblates of Wisdom at their community's annual meeting at the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Golden, Colorado. Fr. Harrison has already left and will be back this Friday night, July 29th. Msgr. McCarthy will stay in Denver the following week for meetings with the Oblates' lay affiliate, the Oblates of Holy Tradition. For any emergency matter concerning the church this week, contact our Council President Jim La Croix (314-220-3409). And for any urgent picnic matters that may arise, please call Bill Saccente at 314-220-4224.

2016 Homecoming Picnic: We're now busily planning for our St. Stephen of Hungary picnic, scheduled this year for Sunday, August 21st. The organizing committee (Bill Saccente, Klara Schwarcz, Jim Hooper and Barb Borkin) will be happy to consider any suggestions! After Mass, please see the **big sign-up sheets in the church hall**, where you can add your names to help with the various picnic tasks.

Silent Auction: For the upcoming picnic, in addition to our raffle (which will have an exciting first prize to be announced!), we will also be having a Silent Auction as a special fundraiser for the parish. Please give any items you can donate to our auction coordinators, Jim & Lisa Hooper.

"Beyond Sunday": We are now wrapping up our fundraising at SMV for this campaign. If you still have pledge cards from last Sunday, please return them in the collection basket today with your name and signature, even if you're not contributing. The four SMV individuals & families who have contributed so far have pledged a total of **\$6,750** in the next few years. Thanks for your great generosity!

Online Giving - You can now give offerings online at <http://give.SMOV.info> as an alternative to the collection basket – an easy and safe tool if you're short on cash or out of town, and still want to give using a credit or debit card! Select either 9 am or 11 am in the tool. See the handout at the door, or talk to Jim Hooper for more information or for help setting up the app on your iPhone or Android phone.

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat": The archdiocesan Catholic Youth Apostolate (including four Weingart children!) will present this famous musical at Chaminade College **this afternoon at 2:00 p.m.** Only \$12 if you pay now! See Alexandra or Eileen Weingart after the 9:00 am Mass, or contact them right away at 314-443-5185 or efweingart@gmail.com.

Imádkozatok betegeinkért: Remember our sick, especially Jimmy Essex & Dante Prosperi, and those in recovery – Angelika Kinter, RaQueal Lymore, Mary Csengödy, and James Daubert.

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, . . .