

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

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Sunday Masses: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
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August 14, 2016 – Twentieth Sunday of 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 Ezella Benmon (H-S graduate), requ. by Colleen & James La Croix
Monday:	5:00 a.m.	Holy Souls in Purgatory, requested by Donald Mathis
Tuesday:	5:00 a.m.	Linda Lucas (deceased), requested by her widower Richard Lucas
Wednesday:	5:00 a.m.	Living & dec. members of Howard & Kudrna families (Ethel Howard)
Thursday:	5:00 a.m.	For Martha Rasmussen's health, requested by Karen Pautler
Friday:	5:00 a.m.	Celebrant's intentions
Saturday:	5:00 a.m.	For Patricia Thaler's health, requested by Karen Pautler
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	For Patricia Donovan, requested by Mary Knollmeyer
	11:00 a.m.	For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased

First Sunday Collection, August 7th:	9:00 a.m.	\$535.00
	11:00 a.m.	\$69.00
Special Collection, Church in Latin America:	9:00 a.m.	\$150.00
	11:00 a.m.	\$39.00

(You can give to the collection via your Smart Phone, using our online service: <http://give.SMOV.info>.)

Finance summary, July 2016: Expenses, \$9,462.58; Income, \$3,762.83; **Net loss: \$5,699.83.**

Finances, July 2015-June 2016: Income: \$98,891.02; Expenses: \$111,777.41; **Net loss: \$12,886.39.**
(Without the \$5,000 'Mass Mob' collection on March 20 and two large donations by benefactors totaling \$17,000, our net loss for the 2015-2016 financial year would have been much greater, around \$34,000.)

Readings for the 20th Sunday (pp. 618-619): Today's readings emphasize that we must be prepared to suffer for our faith. That might not necessarily be martyrdom – dying under persecution by the avowed enemies of Christ and his Church. It might be the kind of suffering that caused by rejection from those from whom we might expect support: Jeremiah (1st reading) was almost killed by his own Jewish people because his prophecies were unwelcome. Sometimes, as Jesus predicts in today's Gospel, those who reject us may even be the ones we love best – our own family and friends. Converts to the Church coming from an anti-Catholic family background sometimes suffer this ostracism.

Assumption of Our Lady, Monday, August 15th: The beautiful Feast of Mary's Assumption body and soul into heaven falls adjacent to a Sunday, and so is not a holy day of obligation this year. We will celebrate this 1st-Class Feast tomorrow with a **9:00 a.m.** Traditional Latin Mass at the high altar.

2016 Homecoming Picnic: Our St. Stephen of Hungary picnic is now only one week away, scheduled 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. Spread the word among your friends and neighbors, so we can repeat last year's big success!

Weekly Eucharistic Adoration: As of August 12 we have resumed our Holy Hour from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. on Fridays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. All are welcome at *either or both* of these acts of worship! At 9:00 we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by silent adoration, ending with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic worship brings many blessings to a parish!

Book Signing: Steven Faulkner is the acclaimed author of *Bitterroot*, the account of a father-son journey that retraces the steps of the great Jesuit missionary Fr. Pierre de Smet. He will be present to sign copies of this new book at Left Bank Books (399 N. Euclid) at 7:00 p.m., Aug. 18th. After that, attendees are cordially invited to a reception for Mr. Faulkner at the Brendes' home (2037 Allen Ave.)

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

Imádkozatok betegeinkért: Remember our sick, especially Helen Somogyi, who has had surgery after falling and breaking her hip. Please pray also for Jimmy Essex, Dante Prosperi, and Mary Csengödy, as well as for those in recovery, especially Angelika Kinter and RaQueal Lymore.

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, . . .

