

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

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**August 21, 2016 – Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**WELCOME TO OUR 173<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL HOMECOMING MASSES AND PICNIC!**

**Mass Intentions this week:**

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
Monday:	5:00 a.m.	For Patricia Donovan, requested by Mary Knollmeyer
Tuesday:	5:00 a.m.	For Patricia Donovan, requested by Mary Knollmeyer
Wednesday:	5:00 a.m.	John and Catherine Pautler (deceased), requested by Karen Pautler
Thursday:	5:00 a.m.	Mark Poulson (deceased), requested by Karen Pautler
Friday:	5:00 a.m.	Fr. Benjamin Luther (deceased), requested by Karen Pautler
Saturday:	5:00 a.m.	Margarit Somma (deceased), requested by Karen Pautler
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased
	11:00 a.m.	Donald Webb (deceased), requested by Max Kaiser, Jr.

<b>Sunday Collection, August 14<sup>th</sup>:</b>	9:00 a.m.	\$408.00
	11:00 a.m.	\$103.00

(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 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday** (pp. 622-623): As we remember in a special way today our church’s co-patron, St. Stephen of Hungary, today’s Bible readings resonate well with the life and Christian witness of Hungary’s first King. The first reading (Isaiah) and St. Luke’s Gospel passage speak to us about the pagan nations coming to worship the true God. St. Stephen was in his own way a missionary, as the Magyars were still largely pagan when he became their king. The second reading (Hebrews) speaks to us of God our Father’s loving discipline and guidance of his children. And St. Stephen has left us a written testament for his own son – his counsel on how he should in turn rule Hungary in a Christian way. This wise advice is now enshrined in the Church’s liturgy for his Feast.

**173<sup>rd</sup> Homecoming Picnic:** Today we celebrate **our Co-Patron, St. Stephen of Hungary** with our annual festivity, and extend a particularly warm welcome to those who visiting – or ‘coming home’ – to SMV! We are grateful for all those who have been working hard in preparation for this, the most important annual communal event of our church community. After Mass please enjoy our Hungarian food and folk-dancing, and be sure to look at all the great ‘goodies’ we have to offer in our silent auction!

**Changes in Chapel Council:** After many years of devoted and untiring membership of the SMV Chapel Council, Jim and Colleen La Croix have now retired from this form of service, and have been replaced as President and Secretary respectively by **Bill Saccente** and **Jim Hooper**. Angelika Kinter (Pierce) has also retired. Two new members of the Council have been elected, **Jim Daubert** and **Klara Schwarcz** from the 9:00 and 11:00 congregations respectively. Other members are Jim Cole (Treasurer), Albert Futo, Lisa Hooper, Mary Brende (non-voting Accountant) and Fr. Brian Harrison, O.S., Chaplain.

**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! However, this Friday (26<sup>th</sup>) there will be no Holy Hour, because at 9:30 a.m. Fr. Harrison will be naturalized as a U.S. citizen at a ceremony downtown. (It’s a public event, so anyone wishing to join Father on his big day is welcome to come along. (At U.S. District Court, 111 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, 28<sup>th</sup> floor.)

**Special Collection for Hungarian Shrine:** Today we take up a special collection to help reconstruct the fire-damaged Corpus Christi Shrine at Our Lady of the Hungarians’ church in Dunapataj, Hungary, Klara Schwarcz’s home town. Please take a flyer at the door to learn more about this project.

**Support Catholic Radio!** Flyers are at the door with the August schedule for Covenant Network Radio. *And . . . Imádkozatok betegeinkért:* Remember to pray for our sick, especially Jimmy Essex.

***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, . . .*

