## 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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## March 13, 2016 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

## **Mass Intentions this week:**

Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	Stephen Schmidt (deceased), requested by Melania Doctorian
	11:00 a.m.	For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased
Monday:	5:00 a.m.	For Denise Bozza, requested by Christopher Ferrara
Tuesday:	5:00 a.m.	Holy Souls in Purgatory, requested by John Conley
Wednesday:	5:00 a.m.	Clement Lucas (deceased), requested by his brother Richard Lucas
Thursday:	5:00 a.m.	Robert Lucas (deceased), requested by his brother Richard Lucas
Friday	5:00 a.m.	Louis, Constance & Corinne DeMarco (deceased), by Patrick DeMarco
Saturday	5:00 a.m.	Mary Ellen Flynn (deceased), requested by Eileen Weingart
Sunday:	10:00 a.m.	For the people of St. Mary of Victories, living and deceased

**Sunday Collection, March 6:** 9:00 a.m. \$482.00 11:00 a.m. \$130.00

**Readings for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent** (pp. 438-439): We now enter into the most dramatic moments of the entire liturgical year, with *Passiontide* beginning today. We accompany Christ toward Jerusalem for his imminent cosmic conflict with Satan! The Introit (Psalm 42) sets the tone, praying for deliverance of the Just One from wicked, deceitful and ungodly men. Isaiah's prophecy speaks to us of desert wastelands, but with God's promise of turning them into streams of water. St. Paul (2<sup>nd</sup> reading) opens his heart to the Philippians, revealing his passionate identification with the suffering but conquering Christ, in comparison with which he deems worthless all else in this mortal life. In today's Gospel (John ch. 8), our Lord, shaming the scribes and Pharisees who seek to condemn the woman taken in adultery, earns their increasingly bitter enmity, which will soon result in a plot to have him killed.

We are nearing the end of Lent! We're making the Stations of the Cross in the church this Friday at 7:00 p.m. We invite you to come and follow the steps of our Lord's passion and death.

**Feast of St. Joseph:** This Solemnity will be marked by a sung Latin Mass in the extraordinary form at **9:00 a.m., this Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**. Our precious relic of St. Joseph's cloak will be brought out for individual veneration and blessing at the end of Mass, and the traditional 'St. Joseph's bread' will be given out to worshippers. *Following the Mass there will be a servers' practice for Palm Sunday*.

'Mass Mob', March 20: Next Sunday we begin Holy Week with Palm Sunday. This year we look forward to welcoming hundreds of visitors to our historic church, which has been selected to participate in the "Mass Mob" program, which is highlighting churches of particular historical and artistic importance in St. Louis. There will be **just one Palm Sunday Mass**, at **10:00 a.m.**, combining both our 9:00 and 11:00 congregations.. Help raise funds by baking a batch of cookies to sell that day!

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.

**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.

**Imádkozzatok betegeinkért:** Please pray for our sick folks, especially Jimmy Essex, Dante Prosperi, Rose Marie Koerner, and others who are suffering at this time. 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**.

**Channel 5 TV spot about SMV! On** Thursday, Channel 5 broadcast a 3-minute piece on the history and artwork of our church, as one of Heidi Glaus' "Show Me St. Louis" programs. It includes a brief interview with Fr. Harrison and great pictures of SMV, both inside and outside the church. You can watch it at <a href="http://www.ksdk.com/entertainment/television/show-me-st-louis/hey-heidi-what-is-the-citys-second-oldest-catholic-church/76126995">http://www.ksdk.com/entertainment/television/show-me-st-louis/hey-heidi-what-is-the-citys-second-oldest-catholic-church/76126995</a>

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## 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, . . .