



## St. Mary of Victories Church, MO

*Roman Catholic*

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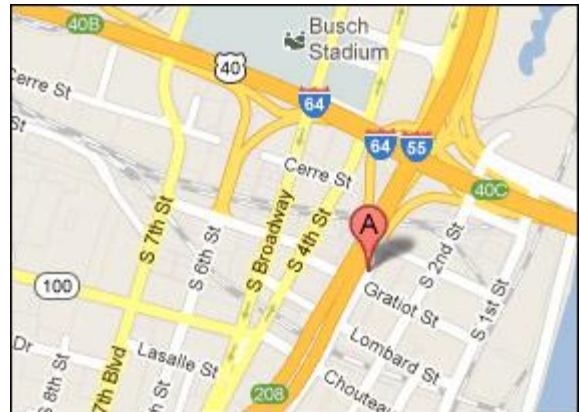
**Pastor: Msg. John McCarthy**

**Hungarian Church Services: Sun.: 11:30 AM**

**Hungarian Congregation: n.a**

### Church History

The cornerstone of St. Mary's was laid on June 25, 1843, but only the first 74 feet of the nave were completed initially. The design was one of the first in St. Louis by George I. Barnett (1815-1898), a native of Nottingham, England. The transepts and present east end of the building were added to his designs in 1859 and 1860. The facade, a flattened temple front in brick, became the model for many other churches during the city's Greek revival era, but all are now gone. Since 1957, the church has been home to St. Stephen's Hungarian parish, which was created in 1936 and formerly worshipped at 11th and Chouteau nearby. It is the only Hungarian parish between Chicago and Dallas and has become celebrated for its ethnic festivals and authentic cooking, including dinners every third Sunday. The status of the church was changed in 2005 to that of a chapel, but services are still conducted every Sunday in Latin and Hungarian.



Map: <http://g.co/maps/xmwqe>