# WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH Baptism of the Lord

**January 10 & 11, 2015** 

#### **Sunday Liturgy**

Saturdays: 5:10 p.m. Sundays: 10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration: 1 hr. prior to Mass Reconciliation: Until 20 min. before Mass

#### Weekday Liturgy

Monday to Saturday: 12:05 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration: 11:00 a.m. Reconciliation: 11:30-11:55 a.m.

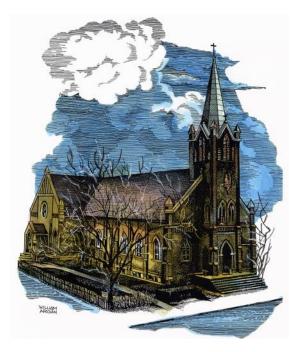
#### **Office Hours**

Tuesday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.— 11:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m.— 4:00 p.m.

#### **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Rev. Barry J. Anwender Business Manager: John Hoffman Office Manager (Pt): Valerie Perras Music Director: Gaétan Hammond Building/Grounds: Gerry Spooner Caretaker(s): Rod & Lilian Yaun





*Our Parish Mission:* We, the faith community of Blessed Sacrament Parish, seek to help those whom God has placed in our lives to experience the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. As Jesus' disciples, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we strive to become living gospels of life through our daily loving choices to serve God, one another, our parish and our community.

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# **Baptism of the Lord**

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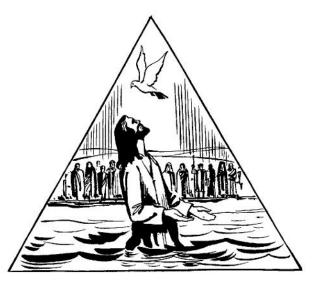
Lord, we celebrate the revelation of Christ your Son. In today's Gospel reading Jesus comes to John the Baptist to be baptized. "When Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove." At the Jordon River Jesus heard, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." Jesus came to guide us to the fulfillment of our destiny as human beings. We are to become one with him, to be the beloved of the Father.

## Saturday, January 10: 5:10 pm

Altar Servers: Giuseppe, Giovanni, & Giulanne Yaun, Cristo Katas, Todd Pilon Community Leader: Lorraine Vincent Lectors: Helen Ball, Jeanne Bonneville Eucharistic Ministers: Larry Ongsu, Ernesta Pagaduan, Irene Maclean Hospitality: Irene Maclean, Paz Ongsu, Allan Chapiel Bell Ringers: Vacant

#### Sunday, January 11: 10:00 am

Altar Servers: Melchor & Frances Andes & Joshua, Thomas & Patrick Ravasco, Abigail Siapno Community Leader: Wendy Vaughn Lectors: Richard Alejandria, Joseph Alejandria Eucharistic Ministers: Maria Alarcon, Gloria Rivero, Terry Abadiano Hospitality: Lancy Cheng Bell Ringers: Vacant



#### Weekday Mass Intentions Celebrated at 12:05 p.m.

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Monday,	Jan 12:	Souls in Purgatory—Repose of the Souls,
		Requested by a Parishioner
Tuesday,	Jan 13:	Marie-Jean Harty-Repose of the Soul,
		Requested by Gertrude Lloyd
Wednesday	, Jan 14:	Thanksgiving for God's continuous blessings,,
		Requested by A Parishioner
Thursday,	Jan 15:	Robert & Tillie Anwender—Repose of the Souls,
		Requested by Krause & Anwender Families
Friday,	Jan 16:	Agnes Weinberger—Repose of the Soul,
		Requested by Weinberger Family
Saturday,	Jan 17:	Ken Krause—Health & Recovery,
		Requested Krause & Anwender Families

#### Weekend Mass Intentions Celebrated at 5:10 p.m.

Saturday, Jan 17: Mark & Emma Hammond—Repose of the Souls, Requested by David & Barbara McCutcheon

The Prayer for Peace and the 2015 donation envelopes are also available for pick-up at the main entrance of the Church. Please pick them up so that they do not have to be delivered to your home. Thank you!

Volunteer Ministry positions are available at Blessed Sacrament: Sunday Greeters, Communion Ministers, Bell Ringers. Training will be provided to help you feel comfortable.

# **STEWARDSHIP A DISCIPLE'S RESPONSE**

A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship—10th Anniversary Edition (Part 20—this reflection will be updated every second week)

## IV. Stewards Of The Church

#### EVANGELIZATION AND STEWARDSHIP

Every member of the Church is called to evangelize, and the practice of authentic Christian stewardship inevitably leads to evangelization. As stewards of the mysteries of God (cf. 1 Cor 4:1), people desire to tell others about them and about the light they shed on human life, to share the gifts and graces they have received from God, especially knowledge of Christ Jesus, "who became for us wisdom from God, as well as righteousness, sanctification, and redemption" (1 Cor 1:30). Human beings, says Pope Paul VI, "have right to know the riches of the mystery of Christ. It is in these . . . that the whole human family can find in the most comprehensive form and beyond all their expectations everything for which they have been groping" (Evangelii Nuntiandi, no. 53).

#### SOLIDARITY AND STEWARDSHIP

While the unity arising from the covenant assumes and requires human solidarity, it also goes beyond it, producing spiritual fruit insofar as it is founded on union with the Lord. "I am the vine, you are the branches," Jesus says. "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit" (Jn 15:5). As Simone Weil remarks, "A single piece of bread given to a hungry man is enough to save a soul—if it is given in the right way."

In this world, however, solidarity encounters many obstacles on both the individual and social levels. It is essential that Jesus' disciples do what can be done to remove them. The most basic and pervasive obstacle is sheer selfish lack of love, a lack which people must acknowledge and seek to correct when they find it in their own hearts and lives. For the absence of charity from the lives of disciples of Jesus in itself is self-defeating and hypocritical. "If anyone says, 'I love God,' but hates his brother, he is a liar" (1 Jn 4:20).

Extreme disparities in wealth and power also block unity and communion. Such disparities exist today between person and person, social class and social class, nation and nation. They are contrary to that virtue of solidarity, grounded in charity, which Pope John Paul II commends as the basis of a world order embodying "a new model of the unity of the human race" whose "supreme model" is the intimate life of the Trinity itself (Sollicitudo Rei Socialis, no. 40). Familiarity with the Church's growing body of social doctrine is necessary in order to grasp and respond to the practical requirements of discipleship and stewardship in light of the complex realities of today's national and international socioeconomic life.

Social justice, which the pastoral letter Economic Justice for All calls a kind of contributive justice, is a particular aspect of the virtue of solidarity. Encompassing the duty of "all who are able to create the goods, services, and other nonmaterial or spiritual values necessary for the welfare of the whole community," it gives moral as well as economic content to the concept of productivity. Thus productivity "cannot be measured solely by its output of goods and services." Rather, "patterns of productivity must . . . be measured in light of their impact on the fulfillment of basic needs, employment levels, patterns of discrimination, environmental impact, and sense of community" (Economic Justice for All, no. 71).

Finally, and most poignantly, solidarity is obstructed by the persistence of religious conflicts and divisions, including those that sunder even followers of Christ. As all this suggests, our individual lives as disciples and stewards must be seen in relation to God's larger purposes. From the outset of his covenanting, God had it in mind to make many one. He promised Abram: "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. . . . All the communities of the earth shall find blessing in you" (Gn 12:23). In Jesus, the Kingdom of God is inaugurated—a kingdom open to all. Those who enter into Jesus' New Covenant find themselves growing in a union of minds and hearts with others who also have responded to God's call. They find their hearts and minds expanding to embrace all men and women, especially those in need, in a communion of mercy and love.

Financial Update:				Jan 3 - 4	Jan 1– Dec 31
1		Collection Jan 3 - 4	Target Jan 3 - 4	Over (Short) from Target	Over (Short) from Target
	Regular Sunday Collection Building Fund 2015 Projects New Year's 2015	\$2,683.37 \$236	<u> </u>	<u>nom ruger</u>	<u>Hom Turger</u>
		\$2,716.70 Thank you fo	r your donatio	n!	

Regular Collection Target will be set once the 2015 operating budget is approved by Blessed Sacrament Parish Finance Council.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

will be celebrated around the world between January 18 to January 25, 2015 with the theme: Jesus said to her "Give me a drink" (John 4:7)

#### Holy Family Parish Catholic Estate and Gift Planning Sessions.

Archdiocese of Regina Development, Director, Christina Attard will be presenting Catholic Estate and Gift Planning Sessions at Holy Family Parish in Regina, on January 20, 2015 7:30p.m. after evening mass. For more information: http://archregina.sk.ca/ giving/bequests-and-estate-organizer.

# Laugh Your Way to a Happy Marriage

Come for one Session or for all 4! Bring your spouse/fiancé and join us for the wildly

popular DVD series by Mark Gungor. Archdiocesan Resource Centre 445 Broad Street North. Tuesday nights @ 7 p.m. January 20 and 27; February 3 and 10, 2015. For more information and to pre-register, please call Teresa @ 352-1651 238. Pre-registration encouraged ext. and appreciated but not mandatory.

## **Popcorn and Movie Night**

After the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season and the return to school, treat yourself by joining us for a Popcorn and Movie Nighton Wednesday, January 14 @ 7 p.m.at the Diocesan Resource Centre 445 Broad Street North. For more information and to pre-register, please call Teresa @ 352-1651 ext. 238. Pre-registration appreciated and encouraged but not mandatory.

## The Real & Relevant Parenting Conference

Saturday, January 31, 2015. St. Bernadette School with presenter Mary Helen Moes. You won't want to miss this light, funny & profound event.Purchase your ticket online at www.archregina.sk.ca or through email at TKleisinger@archregina.sk.ca

## Love: It's In You To Give,

The SEARCH weekend is an opportunity for spiritual growth, for youth by youth, that encourages a deeper understanding of faith through the experience of community and individual reflection. It is best to register By: Wed Feb 4th, 2015. For More Information Or To Register: Monica Shenher - SEARCH Director Ph: 306-371-5853 archsearch.sk@gmail.com Christ the King Parish, Shaunavon, SK

#### **Permanent Diaconate**

This month, our Parish will be praying for Harper Boucher, a Diaconate candidate and Arpee Urquico, a Seminarian. Each month, parishes will be praying for seminarians and candidates for the Permanent Diaconate in our Archdiocese.

## Page Relievers Needed

The Archdiocese of Regina provides Chaplaincy service to the three hospitals in Regina. Individuals interested in serving as Page Reliever to members of our faith are encourage to apply for the position by calling or e-mailing the Director of Pastoral Services at 352.1651. Ext. 236 or bkowalchuk@archregina.sk.ca.

# Are All The I's Dotted & T's Crossed?

A workshop for working with Children and Youth. Some of the topics to be covered include: Registration Forms, Medication, Abuse/Neglect, Parental Involvement, Interviewing Assistants and discussion time with Bob Kowalchuk Director of Pastoral Services. This workshop is for Parish Workers & Volunteers and Youth Ministers. On Tuesday, January 20, 2015 from 9 to Noon at Holy Child Parish, 2636 – 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. Regina' To Register Contact:lburkhart@archregina.sk.ca or sbender@archregina.sk.ca or or call (306) 352-1651 Extension 239, Conducted by the Protocol Department Archdiocese of Regina

## **Country Sing-a-Long**

Free Spirit & Friends will lead an evening of singing country gospel songs at Our Lady of Peace, 425 Broad St. N. on Thurs. Jan.15 @ 7 PM there will be a Free will offering and Refreshments to follow. We are wheelchair accessible.

#### Transitions: YourJourney of Transformation through Grief and Loss

This 3.5 day retreat, grounded in Christian spirituality, will provide insight, hope and prayerful support for those who have experienced a wide variety of losses including the death of a loved one, illness, loss of a job and the ending of a marriage or significant relationship. Thursday January 22, 7pm – Sunday January 25, 1pm. Cost: \$390 (live-in) at Queen's House Retreat Centre in Saskatoon. Registration deadline: Monday January 19. Facilitator: Sarah Donnelly, BA, M.Div. To register or for more info please contact Sarah at 306-717-3707 or info@sarahdonnelly.ca