

# WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21 & 22, 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

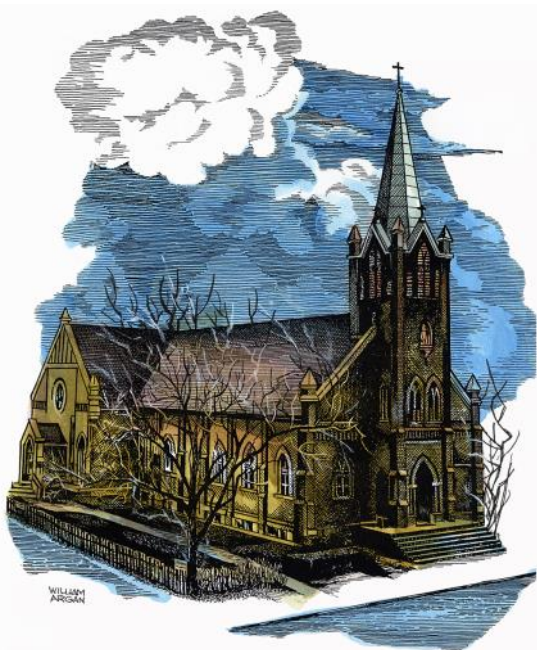
Music Director: Gaétan Hammond

Building/Grounds: Gerry Spooner

Caretaker(s): Rod & Lilian Yaun



*Jesus and the Beloved disciple at the Last Supper*



**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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**Whoever serves me must follow me.** Today's Gospel is a story of trust and new life. Jesus says, "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." Jesus' death and resurrection was to make a positive change in the way people relate to God, to one another and to creation. As our Lenten journey nears its goal, may we benefit from our reflections on the Gospels and experience the new life to which Christ beckons us.

## Saturday, March 21: 5:10 pm

**Altar Servers:** Todd Pilon, Cristo Katas,  
Giuseppe, Giovanni & Giulanne Yaun

**Community Leader:** Rosie Ongsu

**Lectors:** Marvella Lovely, Larry Ongsu

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Irene MacLean  
Rod Yaun, Helen Ball

**Hospitality:** Sheryl Sayat, Irene MacLean, Allan Chapiel

**Bell Ringers:** Vacant

## Sunday, March 22: 10:00 am

**Altar Servers:** Melchor & Frances Andes, Abigail Siapno,  
Thomas & Patrick Ravasco

**Community Leader:** K. of C. Sunday

**Lectors:** K. of C. Sunday

**Eucharistic Ministers:** K. of c. Sunday

**Hospitality:** K. of C. Sunday

**Bell Ringers:** Santo Nino Council Members

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

- Monday,** Mar 23: Teresa M. Israel—Thanksgiving,  
**Tuesday,** Mar 24: Benjamin Hernando Jr. - Thanksgiving  
**Wednesday,** Mar 25: Naroht Uy—Thanksgiving,  
**Thursday,** Mar 26: Silvina Rodriguez - Repose of Soul,  
Requested by the Ongsu Family  
**Friday,** Mar 27: Those in the Middle East persecuted for their Faith,  
Requested by Gertrude Lloyd  
**Saturday,** Mar 28: Diana I. Lazo—Thanksgiving,

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

- Saturday,** Mar 28: Frank & Eileen Gerein  
Requested by Darlene Nimegeers



## Today is Solidarity Sunday! Support the Share Lent collection for Development and Peace

Pope Francis ends his Joy of the Gospel with this prayer to Mary: Star of the new evangelization, help us to bear radiant witness to communion, service, ardent and

generous faith, justice and love of the poor, that the joy of the Gospel may reach to the ends of the Earth, illuminating even the fringes of our world. Today, on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, Solidarity Sunday, we join the Holy Father in praying that we may all be radiant witnesses and that through our support of Development and Peace, the joy of the Gospel may indeed illuminate even the darkest corners of our world! Your gift can be placed in the Share Lent envelopes. Thank you for your generosity in helping to meet the needs of the world. Thank you for your support!

# STEWARDSHIP A DISCIPLE'S RESPONSE

A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship—10th Anniversary Edition

(Part 25—this reflection will be updated every second week)

## Summary—To Be a Christian Steward

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace” (1 Pt 4:10). What identifies a steward? Safeguarding material and human resources and using them responsibly are one answer; so is generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. But being a Christian steward means more. As Christian stewards, we receive God’s gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

### DISCIPLES AS STEWARDS

Let us begin with being a disciple—a follower of our Lord Jesus Christ. As members of the Church, Jesus calls us to be disciples. This has astonishing implications:

- Mature disciples make a conscious decision to follow Jesus, no matter what the cost.
- Christian disciples experience conversion—life shaping changes of mind and heart—and commit their very selves to the Lord.
- Christian stewards respond in a particular way to the call to be a disciple. Stewardship has the power to shape and mold our understanding of our lives and the way in which we live.

Jesus’ disciples and Christian stewards recognize God as the origin of life, giver of freedom, and source of all things. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for God and for one another. We look to the life and teaching of Jesus for guidance in living as Christian stewards.

### STEWARDS OF CREATION

The Bible contains a profound message about the stewardship of material creation: God created the world, but entrusts it to human beings. Caring for and cultivating the world involves the following:

- Joyful appreciation for the God-given beauty and wonder of nature;
- Protection and preservation of the environment, which would be the stewardship of ecological concern;
- Respect for human life—shielding life from threat and assault, doing everything that can be done to enhance this gift and make life flourish; and
- Development of this world through noble human effort—physical labor, the trades and professions, the arts and sciences. We call such effort “work.”

Work is a fulfilling human vocation. The Second Vatican Council points out that, through work, we build up not only our world but the Kingdom of God, already present among us. Work is a partnership with God—our share in a divine human collaboration in creation. It occupies a central place in our lives as Christian stewards.

### Financial Update:



	Collection Mar 14 - 15	Target Mar 14 - 15	Mar 14 - 15 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
Regular Sunday Collection	\$3,221.15	\$5,036.00	(\$1,814.85)	(\$10,330.70)
Building Fund 2015 Projects	\$437.00	\$375,000.00	(\$367,416.00)	\$7,584.00
Development and Peace	\$790.00			

**Thank you for your donation!**

**Regular Collection Target** is based on the 2015 operating budget approved by the Parish Finance Council on Feb. 5, 2015.

**Building Fund Target** is based upon a rough estimate for projects to: (1) Replace the church flooring and carpeting, (2) Install new exterior energy efficient church windows (3) Add two washrooms in southwest corner of the church.

### **Blessed Sacrament Parish**

**Collection Envelopes** will be allocated to Parish Funds. Mass Intentions can be requested at the office or by using plain stationary envelopes.

**Stations of The Cross** will be prayed during the season of lent every Friday after the noon Mass.

#### **Schedule for Holy Week:**

**Palm Sunday**, March 28 & 29

Saturday 5:10 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m.

**Holy Thursday**, April 2 7:00 p.m.

**Good Friday**, April 3 3:00 p.m.

**Easter Vigil**, April 4 8:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday**, April 5 10:00 a.m

**Ministry Schedules** for Holy Week are available for pick-up. Please note the changes made to Holy Week dates and times of the rehearsals. You can pick up your Mass ministry schedule at the main church entrance or download it from our Parish website.

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

**2013-2014 Development & Peace donation envelopes** are available for pick-up at the main entrance of the Church.

#### **The Myriam Family House Retreat**

March 11-12-13, 17-18-19-20, until 25-26:

Silent Adoration : from 4-5 P.M.

Thursday, March 12: You are welcome for a 5-9 P.M. at the Myriam Family house. It consists in a Pot-Luck supper, songs, teaching and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Sunday, March 15: Bible activity for children (5-13 years old): 12h pot luck lunch (for all the family), or bible activity itself from 13h15-16H15 (activity for parents at the same time, welcome to stay!) Welcome! Myriam Family, 306-761-0528, 2527E Margaret Place, Regina

#### **Camp Monahan Garage Sale**

will be hosting its annual fundraising garage sale at the end of May. Please consider making donations of your unwanted treasures to this event. Drop off or pick up can be arranged after April 15 by contacting the Camp Monahan office - 306.522.1047. Thanks again for supporting the 71st year of camp; 550 campers are expected this year and the donations will support our work for the 'kids of Camp!'

### **Chrism Mass**

Everyone is invited to the Chrism Mass: March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Join Archbishop Bohan and the archdiocesan priests as they bless the Holy Oils and distribute them to each parish.

#### **“Be the Influence for Others”**

The Miriam Family Sisters are presenting a **Retreat for Girls** in grades 6 to 9 on March 27, 2015, from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church. The registration fee is \$2, Bring your lunch! call Val at 306-522-7422. Pre-registration is required including Parental and Photo consent

#### **Prayer of Petition**

for Arron Polk, in formation for the diaconate and John Ottens, seminarian of our Archdiocese. For these men as they prepare for a lifetime of service in the Church, we pray to the LORD.

#### **Livestream: Watch Archdiocesan Events Live**

Parishioners can click on the icon on the front page of our website <http://www.archregina.sk.ca/> to watch the MyGen Rally 2015 this Saturday beginning at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday until 1:30 or so. On Monday evening at 7 p.m. we will be Streaming the Chrism Mass Live from the Cathedral.

#### **Archbishop O’Neil Council’s Knights of Columbus**

is holding the Third Annual Claws for a Cause Lobster (or 10 oz. steak) dinner on April 11, 2015 at Holy Child. All funds for K of C sponsored charities. Tickets are \$60 and are available from Gord at 306-789-5532.

#### **40th Annual Band Days**

joins us in célébration of the Regina Catholic Schools 40th Annual Band Days. April 21th-25th, 2015 - Over 900 solos and 300 ensembles. Tuesday, April 21st— Friday April, 24th 8:45 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. at Dr. Martin LeBoldus High School. The Grand Concert will be on Saturday, April 25th, 7:00 p.m. at the Conexus Arts Centre. Plan to dine with the Regina Catholic Schools Bands families and the RCSD Alumni Band at the 4 Seasons Restaurant, 909 Arcola Ave East, Monday, April 20, 6:00 pm for a pizza and pasta buffet supper. Tickets \$20/ adult and \$15/student. Proceeds go to supports the Regina Catholic Schools Band program. For tickets contact Julie Atter at [julieatter@yahoo.ca](mailto:julieatter@yahoo.ca) or 306-539- 4726.