

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Third Sunday of Lent

March 7 & 8, 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

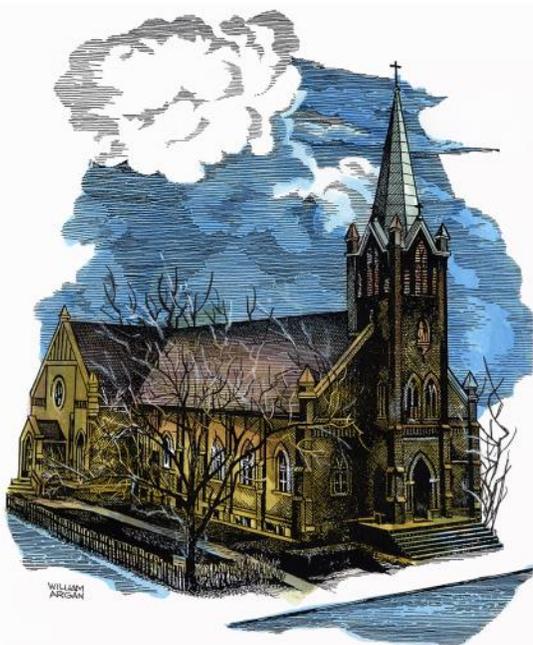
Music Director: Gaétan Hammond

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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His disciples remembered. In today's Gospel reading we hear about Jesus who went to the temple in Jerusalem and finds people selling cattle, sheep, and doves. He also finds money changers seated at their tables. Jesus is disturbed by this, for, the temple was a place of worship, not a marketplace. The Gospel challenges us to ask ourselves what kinds of things Jesus would change or overturn in us. What would He cleanse in the temple of our lives? During the Lenten journey, may we open ourselves more deeply to the purifying power of Jesus.

Saturday, March 7: 5:10 pm

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

Community Leader: Olive Zatylny

Lectors: Ben Zatylny, Rod Yaun

Eucharistic Ministers: Marvella Lovely
Larry Ongsu, Kelly Foy

Hospitality: Ernesta Pagaduan, Allan Chapiel

Bell Ringers: Vacant

Sunday, March 8: 10:00 am

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

Community Leader: Wendy Vaughn

Lectors: Richard Alejandria, Joseph Alejandria

Eucharistic Ministers: Rose Javier, Terri Abadiano, Gail Runge

Hospitality: Sharon Greer, Gail Runge

Bell Ringers: Vacant



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

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| Monday, | Mar 09: | Magdalena Selinger - Repose of the Soul,
Requested by Her Family |
| Tuesday, | Mar 10: | Consolacion Ravasco—Repose of the Soul,
Requested by Olive & Ben Zatylny |
| Wednesday, | Mar 11: | Robert & Tillie Anwender—Repose of the Souls,
Requested by Krausae & Anwender Families |
| Thursday, | Mar 12: | Those in Middle East persecuted for their faith,
Requested by Gertrude Lloyd |
| Friday, | Mar 13: | RCIA Candidates—2nd Scrutiny,
Requested by Loretta Elford |
| Saturday, | Mar 14: | For Souls & Ellen Sacoco
Requested by A Parishioner |

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

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| Saturday, | Mar 15: | Thanksgiving & Elijah Lazo Chuon,
Requested by A Parishioner |
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Development and Peace - Responding to the cry of the rural poor with the bishops of Brazil

In all places and circumstances, Christians, with the help of their pastors, are called to hear the cry of the poor. This has been eloquently stated by the bishops of



Brazil: 'We wish to take up daily the joys and hopes, the difficulties and sorrows of the Brazilian people, especially of those living in the barrios and the countryside - landless, homeless, lacking food and health care - to the detriment of their rights. — Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 191. Development and Peace has been working with the Brazilian bishops for many years to respond to the cry of the poor. Your generosity helps fund our partnership with their Pastoral Land commission, which works to support the rural poor. You can learn more about our work by visiting devp.org. The Share Lent collection for Development and Peace is on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, March 22nd.

STEWARDSHIP A DISCIPLE'S RESPONSE

A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship—10th Anniversary Edition

(Part 24—this reflection will be updated every second week)

V. The Christian Steward

Christian stewards are generous out of love as well as duty. They dare not fail in charity and what it entails, and the New Testament is filled with warnings to those who might be tempted to substitute some counterfeit for authentic love. For example: “If someone who has worldly means sees a brother in need and refuses him compassion, how can the love of God remain in him?” (1 Jn 3:17). Or this: “Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries. Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten, your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you; it will devour your flesh like a fire. You have stored up treasure for the last days” (Jas 5:1-3).

What, then, are Christians to do? Of course people’s lives as stewards take countless forms, according to their unique vocations and circumstances. Still, the fundamental pattern in every case is simple and changeless: “Serve one another through love . . . bear one another’s burdens, and so you will fulfill the law of Christ” (Gal 5:13, 6:2). This includes being stewards of the Church, for, as we are quite specifically told, “the Church of the living God” is “the household of God” (1 Tim 3:15), and it is essential to practice stewardship there.

The life of a Christian steward, lived in imitation of the life of Christ, is challenging, even difficult in many ways; but both here and hereafter it is charged with intense joy. Like Paul, the good steward is able to say, “I am filled with encouragement, I am overflowing with joy all the more because of all our affliction” (2 Cor 7:4). Women and men who seek to live in this way learn that “all things work for good for those who love God” (Rom 8:28). It is part of their personal experience that God is “rich in mercy [and] we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them” (Eph 2:4, 10). They readily cry out from the heart: “Rejoice in the Lord always! I shall say it again: Rejoice!” (Phil 4:4). They look forward in hope to hearing the Master’s words addressed to those who have lived as disciples faithful in their practice of stewardship should: “Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world” (Mt 25:34).

After Jesus, it is the Blessed Virgin Mary who by her example most perfectly teaches the meaning of discipleship and stewardship in their fullest sense. All of their essential elements are found in her life: she was called and gifted by God; she responded generously, creatively, and prudently; she understood her divinely assigned role as “handmaid” in terms of service and fidelity (see Lk 1:26-56).

As Mother of God, her stewardship consisted of her maternal service and devotion to Jesus, from infancy to adulthood, up to the agonizing hours of Jesus’ death (Jn 19:25). As Mother of the Church, her stewardship is clearly articulated in the closing chapter of the Second Vatican Council’s Constitution on the Church, Lumen Gentium (cf. nos. 52-69). Pope John Paul II observes: “Mary is one of the first who ‘believed,’ and precisely with her faith as Spouse and Mother she wishes to act upon all those who entrust themselves to her as children” (Redemptoris Mater, no. 46).

In light of all this, it only remains for all of us to ask ourselves this question: Do we also wish to be disciples of Jesus Christ? The Spirit is ready to show us the way—a way of which stewardship is a part. Genesis, telling the story of creation, says God looked upon what had been made and found it good; and seeing the world’s goodness, God entrusted it to human beings. “The Lord God planted a garden” and placed there human persons “to cultivate and care for it” (Gn 2:8, 15). Now, as then and always, it is a central part of the human vocation that we be good stewards of what we have received—this garden, this divine human workshop, this world and all that is in it—setting minds and hearts and hands to the task of creating and redeeming in cooperation with our God, Creator and Lord of all.



Financial Update:

	Collection Feb 21 - 22	Target Feb 21 - 22	Feb 21- 22 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
Regular Sunday Collection	\$4,311.15	\$4,793.00	(\$481.85)	(\$7,764.70)
Building Fund 2015 Projects	\$587.00	\$375,000.00	(\$368,255.00)	\$6,745.00
Education of Seminarians	\$100.00			

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

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 March and April are available for pick-up at the main entrance of the Church. 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.

2013-2014 Development & Peace Annual Report are available for pick-up at the main entrance of the Church.

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

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.

“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 consent before March 23, 2015.

The Myriam Family House Retreat

March 11-12-13, 17-18-19-20, 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

My Generation Youth Rally

invites all students in grades 8-12 to come spend a high energy, fun-filled, purpose-filled weekend exploring how God is calling you to make a difference in the world. March 21-22, 2015 at Archbishop M.C. O’Neill High School in Regina. Cost \$50/person, \$100/family. (Sponsorship available if needed). To register or get more info visit www.mygenerally.ca or call Michelle at 306 352-1651 ext. 223.

Chrism Mass

Everyone is invited to the Chrism Mass: March 23rd 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.

Children Helping Children

is a project for children in our parishes and many Catholic schools! Check our www.hcakids.org for activities and you and your child can do. Remember to add another link to your Lenten Chain.

Camp Monahan Summer Jobs

An up-to-date posting for all the summer positions at Camp Monahan is posted to our website. The 2015 camp registration form is now posted to our website - check it out and get registered! Marci Brisbane, Executive Director, Phone: 306-522-1047, <http://campmonahan.ca/>

The Depth & Richness of our Faith

The Spiritual Education Committee at Holy Cross invites you to a DVD presentation to continue exploring. Featuring: Father Bill Halbing. Saturday March 14th from 10:00 am – 12 noon at Holy Cross Parish – 315 Douglas Ave E. (Please use south parking lot entrance) A free will offering will be taken. Everyone is welcome!

Couples Enrichment and Lunch

Humorous instruction at the Holy Rosary Cathedral (lower East door) ; Thursdays , 7-8 pm. March 19 ,26 ; April 6 and 23; Call 306-543-9933 or leave a message for 306-525-5507. Free. Dating Couples Welcome.

Archbishop O’Neil Council’s Knights of Columbus

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