

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9 & 10, 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:

9:00 a.m.— 3:30 a.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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The peace of the Lord be with you always. In our readings today, Jesus speaks of love – “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.” Jesus invites us to follow His commands which is a mark of friendship. Following his commands is something that causes joy. The commandments are our guiding principles. In the Gospel Jesus says, “I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

Saturday, May 9: 5:10 pm

Altar Servers: No Schedule
Community Leader: Lorraine Vincent
Lectors: Marvella Lovely, Pearl Harvey
Eucharistic Ministers: Larry Ongsu, Rod Yuan,
Joven Juancito
Hospitality: Jovita Ongsu, Paz Ongsu
Bell Ringers: Vacant

Sunday, May 10: 10:00 am

Altar Servers: No Schedule
Community Leader: Wendy Vaughn
Lectors: Gloria Rivero, Dennis Nacional
Eucharistic Ministers: Maria Alarcon,
Betty Kuntz, Gail Runge
Hospitality: Lill Popp, Lancy Cheng, Gail Runge
Bell Ringers: Vacant



JN 15:16

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

Monday,	May 11:	Addictions for Self and Others Requested by Kelly Foy
Tuesday,	May 12:	Thanksgiving for the service of priests Requested by a Parishioner
Wednesday,	May 13:	Holy Souls in Purgatory especially Priests Requested by a Parishioner
Thursday,	May 14:	Delia Morrison — repose of soul, Requested by Penny Wittal
Friday,	May 15:	Demetria Ongsu — repose of soul, Requested by the Ongsu Family
Saturday,	May 16:	All Souls in Purgatory, Requested by Fe Paderanga

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

Saturday,	May 16:	Thanksgiving for the service of Priests,
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A Mother's Day Blessing

Holy God, you compare your own Love for your people to the love of a mother for her children.
Look with kindness on these mothers, give them comfort in moments of sorrow,
and joy in their work for their families
Listen to their prayers, and bless them in all they do for you.
Let them share with Jesus your Son and
Mary our Mother in everlasting happiness of heaven.

Happy Mother's Day!



Eucharist A Short History

By Alfred McBride, O.Praem.; St. Anthony Messenger Press

It is a very human trait to treasure the last words of a dying person. In the case of Pope John Paul II, his encyclical *The Church of the Eucharist*, published in his final year, aptly captures his desire to awaken in the Church a new appreciation of the Eucharist.

I have been able to celebrate Holy Mass in chapels built along mountain paths, on lakeshores and seacoasts; I have celebrated it on altars built in stadiums and city squares. This varied scenario of celebrations of the Eucharist has given me a powerful experience of its universal and, so to speak, its cosmic character. Yes, cosmic! Because even when it is celebrated on the humble altar of a country church, the Eucharist is always in some way celebrated on the altar of the world. It unites heaven and earth. It embraces and permeates all creation (*The Church of the Eucharist*, 8).

In this Catholic Update we respond to Pope John Paul's Eucharistic desire with this reflection on six stages in the history of the Eucharist in the Western Church.

1. FROM PASSOVER

Whatever changes and variations occurred in history, the Church has always preserved the core ritual. Early Christians viewed the Last Supper from the viewpoint of the Passover meal. It was held in an "Upper Room," a place often used for rabbinic Scripture discussions. The apostles would have seen a short-legged table surrounded by cushions where they would sit. On the table was a bowl of saltwater in memory of the tears shed during the slavery in Egypt. A dish of bitter salad recalled their crushing slave days.

A container of mashed apples, raisins and plums coated with cinnamon looked like the bricks they made. Platters of unleavened bread stood next to the large Cup of Blessing filled with wine. A roasted lamb (part of a lamb sacrificed at the Temple) symbolized the sacrificial quality of the meal and recalled the blood of a lamb on their doorposts that saved them from the avenging angel in Egyptian times.

Jesus opened the meal with a psalm that praised God for his mighty deeds of salvation in the Exodus. Then he took the bread, gave thanks for it and, breaking tradition, followed this with new words: "Take and eat. This is my body that will be given up for you." This bread was now his body. It would be given up, that is offered on the cross. Pause for a moment to consider what the apostles might have felt and thought at participating in the first Eucharist in history.

At the end of the meal, Jesus took the Cup of Blessing filled with wine and instead of making the usual toast he again broke tradition and said, "Take and drink... This is my blood... It will be shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins." Once more Christ referred to his forthcoming passion where he would shed his blood. As they drank of the one cup and ate of the one bread they experienced their unity in Christ. Finally, Christ gave them and their successors the power to celebrate Eucharist: "Do this in memory of me." They all sang a psalm and Jesus went forth to his saving death and resurrection. In this event Jesus gave us the sacraments of the Eucharist and the ordained priesthood.



Financial Update:

	Collection	Target	May 2 - 3 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
	May 2 - 3	May 2 - 3		
Regular Collection	\$3,761.85	\$5,737.00	(\$1,975.15)	(\$23,195.35)
Building Fund 2015 Projects	\$837.00	\$367,871.00	(\$356,634.00)	\$11,237.00
Education of Seminarians	\$136.00			\$1,792.00

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 actual contractor quotes formally approved by Archbishop Bohan on April 7, 2015 to:
 (1) Replace the church flooring and carpeting, (2) Install new exterior energy efficient church windows.

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.

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

Lost and Found Two rings have been found at Blessed Sacrament Parish. Please call the office at 306-522-7422

Myriam Family Girls Retreat

for Grade 6-9 girls with the Myriam Family. May 16, 2015, at Holy Trinity Parish from : 8h30 am (breakfast included) to 4h30 pm Includes a talk with Simone and Curtis Mann about Dating in dignity. Registration fee: 10\$ (Lunch and snacks provided) Pre-registration including parental consent before May 12, 2015. Call (306) 522-7422 or by email blessedsacrament@sasktel.net

Prayer of Petition

for David Hagel, in formation for the diaconate and Chris Juchacz, seminarian of our Archdiocese, as these men prepare for a lifetime of service in the Church, we pray to the LORD.

National Week for Life and the Family: May 10-17

This year, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) is offering dioceses, parishes and other non-profit groups possible resources and options for planning and organizing local activities. The theme in English is "We're all connected", and in French "Réconcilions famille et travail". The English theme focuses on assisted suicide. The theme in French is linked to the theme for this year's Semaine québécoise des familles (Quebec Family Week). The dates for the National Week for Life and the Family coincide with those for the Quebec week celebrating the family and also with the United Nations World Day of Families, May 15.

World Catholic Education Week

The Regina Catholic School Division recognizes World Catholic Education Week from May 11 to May 15. The theme "Serving in the Love of Christ." is a time to join Catholics around the world to give thanks for the gift of Catholic Education and to celebrate our unique faith-based education. Follow us on Twitter @rcsd_no81 or www.rcsd.ca to follow the our schools' festivities during the week.

Development & Peace - Nepal Earthquake

The Canadian government is matching donations for emergency relief in Nepal until May 25th. Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Nepal. This natural disaster has caused over 7,400 deaths and 10,000 injuries, and many are still reported missing. Those affected are struggling for food, water and shelter.

Development and Peace is working with Caritas Nepal and others Caritas members to provide aid to the population. You can make a donation online at www.devvp.org; by phone at 1 888 664-3387; or use a separately marked envelope with the cheque made out to Development and Peace (please indicate Nepal Earthquake) to : Development and Peace, 1425 René-Lévesque Blvd. West 3rd Floor Montreal QC, H3G 1T7. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

The Archdiocese of Regina

Celebrating 100 years of our Family of Faith

On December 4, 1915, Pope Benedict XV, raised the Diocese of Regina to the status of Archdiocese. As we prepare to celebrate another milestone, Archbishop Daniel Bohan would like us to focus our celebrations on The Archdiocese of Regina: Celebrating 100 years of our Family of Faith. To get the celebrations started, the Icon, "Mary – Our Lady of the Rosary" created by Saskatchewan artist Giselle Bauche will be touring the Archdiocese. We are building a 100th Anniversary of the Archdiocese page. Please send videos and photos of your families, children, grandchildren, as they say or sing Grace, as you bless them or they say their prayers at night. We are also looking for photos of how you display sacred objects in your home.

Aboriginal/non-Aboriginal Potluck Supper

You are invited to participate at Holy Family Parish on Wednesday May 13 at 5:30 PM. Call 306-949-7678 for more information.

The Year of Consecrated Life (2015)

was announced by Pope Francis. The Sisters Association of the Archdiocese of Regina (SARA) is sponsoring a celebration to honour the vocation of women and men living consecrated life to the Church and the world. Saturday, June 13, from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm at Holy Child Parish hall, 2636-7th Ave E, Regina. Lunch and refreshment breaks included. Children's supervised activities Cost: voluntary offering accepted. Registration: by June 1st; contact: Marian Grady, 306-789-8276 or e-mail: mariongrady@sasktel.net