

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19 & 20, 2015

Sunday Liturgy

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

Weekday Liturgy

Suspended during Renovations

Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday:
9:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Barry J. Anwender
Business Manager: John Hoffman
Office Manager (Pt): Valerie Perras
Music Director: Gaétan Hammond
Building/Grounds: Retired



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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Blessed are you among women. The Advent season is definitely a time of expectation. The expectation and hope of the coming of the Messiah is first seen in today's joyful encounter of two expectant mothers, Elizabeth and Mary. When Elizabeth receives Mary's visit, her response is wonder: "And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me?" With His coming, Jesus provides us with a model to follow in our quest to serve the Creator.

Saturday, December 19, 2015: 5:10 pm

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

Community Leader: Rosie Ongsu

Lectors: Marvella Lovely, Larry Ongsu

Eucharistic Ministers: Marvella Lovely,
Loretta Elford, Ernesta Pagaduan

Hospitality: Sheryl Sayat, Christn Katas



Sunday, December 20, 2015: 10:00 am

Altar Servers: St. Mary's Liturgy

Community Leader: St. Mary's Liturgy

Lectors: St. Mary's Liturgy

Eucharistic Ministers: St. Mary's Liturgy

Hospitality: St. Mary's Liturgy

Weekday Masses at St. Mary's (2026 Winnipeg St.) with Blessed Sacrament Parish

Monday,	7:00 p.m.	Mass Followed by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions Presider: Father Eusebio Tubale
Tuesday,	7:30 a.m.	Mass Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike
Wednesday,	6:00 p.m.	Adoration and Benediction - 7:00 p.m. Mass Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike
Thursday,	7:30 a.m.	Mass Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike
Friday,	7:30 a.m.	Mass Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike
	7:30 p.m.	All Night Vigil - First Friday/7:30 a.m. Saturday of the Month Presider: Fr. Norm Marcotte All Night Vigil concludes with 7:20 a.m. Saturday Benediction Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike
Saturday,	7:30 a.m.	Mass Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike
	5:10 p.m.	Mass Presider: Fr. Barry J. Anwender with Blessed Sacrament's scheduled Mass Ministers
Sunday,	10:00 a.m.	Mass Presider: Fr. Barry J. Anwender (2nd & 4th Sundays of the Month) with Blessed Sacrament's scheduled Mass Ministers Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays of the Month) with St. Mary's scheduled Mass Ministers
	1:00 p.m.	Latin Mass Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike (every 2nd and 4th Sunday)
	5:00 p.m.	Mass Presider: Fr. Vitalis Azike (presides at every Mass)

2015 Construction Project Update 4.1

We need to give thanks to God, for the Time, Talent & Treasure provided by our benefactors, contractors, engineers, lawyers, and our parish finance council. Any one of the following construction projects is a huge undertaking for any parish. God is and will continue to bless all involved, as we look forward to 2016 and the reopening of our beloved Blessed Sacrament Church.

Wilf Perreault Studio—Christmas Nativity Set Restoration

Originally imported from Italy, God knows how many years ago. The figurines were severely chipped and broken. Wilf has restored them and masterfully matched the original paint. They are once again beautiful.

Breda Brother Builders—New Church Children’s Room and Washroom

On time and on budget. Loretta Elford also commissioned and paid the Breda Brothers to build a new Ambry for the Holy Oils of Chrism, Catechumens and Oil of the Sick. The Breda Brothers also removed the communion rail, restored the East Rose Window frame, removed the stained glass window in the Children’s Room, braced the exterior brick wall and removed the bells to prevent a catastrophic failure of the bell tower.

Eagle Electric Service—New Church Ceiling Fans & Overhead Sanctuary LED Lighting

On time and over budget with the change to LED lighting. The absence of forced air attic ventilation has resulted in the premature failure of the church shingles. The roof replacement project is scheduled for 2016.

Arrow Plumbing & Heating—Rectory Sewer Line Replacement

On time and on budget to replace the rotten above ground sewer lines.

Town & Country Plumbing & Heating—Church Sewer Line Replacement

On time and over budget because of the 60+ year old rotten lines buried deeper and right beside floor column structures. A new lift station was installed instead of buried lines. This project revealed major structural issues resulting in floor instability and has caused structural damage to the bell tower and church roof.

Action Sewer & Drain Services—Church & Rectory Sewer Re-lining under the foundations

On time and over budget because the main line to the rectory was also rotten.

Jordan Asbestos Removal—Remove Old Church Tiles & Clean-Out Bell Tower

Removal of old tiles is on time and under budget. Cleaning out 110 years of “bird stuff” in the bell tower is on time and was totally unexpected.

BBK Structural Engineers—Church Foundation, Bell Tower & Floor Assessment

Tasked with providing specifications to underpin the floor columns and bell tower, as well as design a new structural-skeleton for the bell tower. These projects were totally unexpected and are scheduled for 2016.

Raydon Castle Building Center—General Contractor New Church Windows

Top-Line Construction—Contractor to template and install New Church Windows

All-Weather Windows—Manufacturer to Custom Build New Church Windows

This project is three months past the contracted finish date but is on budget.

Philly’s Painting—Paint Church Rectory Windows & Doors

On time and on budget.

Caltec Flooring—New Church Floor Tiles and Sanctuary Carpet

Delayed because of structural issues with heaving floor columns & bell tower.

Reliable Heating & Cooling—New Water Boiler & Bldg. Management Software

There is a manufacturer defect with the De Dietrich boiler section to be covered by warranty. The Alerton graphics and building management software are still not functional nor completed. The Church heating controls are on full auto with no means to adjust heat. Rectory heat needs to be manually regulated daily. This project is on budget but is 8 months past-due being completed. It was made possible by a significant financial contribution from the late Agnes Weinberger Estate.

CALL for PRAYERS & BENEFACTORS: Please pray that the God of Providence will provide Blessed Sacrament Parish with benefactors, who will provide the financial funds needed for the structural repairs to the church floor, bell tower and roof. Our church remains closed into 2016, as we seek contractors, benefactors and the Archbishop’s approval to proceed with the above mentioned repairs. We will move back into the church once the floor structural work is done and floor renovations are completed.



Financial Update:



	Collection	Target	Dec 12-Dec 13 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
	Dec 12-Dec 13	Dec 12-Dec 13		
Regular Collection	\$2,823.75	(\$5,342.00)	(\$2,518.25)	(\$92,698.31)
Building Fund 2015 Projects	\$1,302.00	\$367,871.00	(\$332,346.00)	\$35,525.00

Thank you for your donation!

Blessed Sacrament Parish

2016 Collection Envelopes are available for pick-up at St. Mary's front entrance.

Blessed Sacrament Christmas & New Year Masses at St. Mary's

Christmas Eve Thurs Dec 24 9:00 pm
Christmas Day Fri Dec 25 10:00 am &
5:00 pm (Filipino Group)
No New Year's Eve Mass
New Year's Day Fri Jan 1 10:00 am &
5:00 pm (Filipino Group)

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

Prayer of Petition for the formation of the diaconates and seminarians of our Archdiocese, as these men prepare for a lifetime of service in the Church, we pray to the LORD.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

The Divine Mercy display will be at St. Mary's Church on Saturday, December 19th and Sunday, December 20th. At the end of each Mass, the people will receive a blessing with the relic of St. Faustina. The Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy have combined their efforts with the Knights of Columbus to give people the opportunity for special mercy, grace, blessing and conversion.

Digital Citizenship Education Protecting Your Child

Thursday, January 14th at 7 PM in the Riffel High School Theatre. In this session, parents will have the opportunity to explore - respect, educate, and protect - and how schools are integrating this model into curriculum. Children and youth are exposed to texts, chats, apps, tweets, blogs, likes, videos, photos, games...Sometimes this makes them unsafe. To register use this link:
<http://www.surveymoz.com/s/NCD4S/>
Regina Catholic Schools

Follow those Wise Men-An Epiphany Adventure

January 9, Grades 9-12 are invited to an Amazing Race type adventure. We will be travelling by bus, from Regina to Moose Jaw from 10 a.m. to approx. 7 p.m. Cost: \$20 To register: e-mail Michelle at mbraden@archregina.sk.ca

St. Mary's /Blessed Sacrament Christmas Pajama Project

This year St. Mary's Parish will be joined by Blessed Sacrament Parish in our Christmas Pajama Project for the children who visit Visitation House. We have 60 names and will have cards with the child's name age and gender for you to pick up from main entrance of our Church. Look for the basket marked "Christmas Pajama Project". Please wrap your gift and attach the card. We will have a Christmas Project "Box" available at the main entrance until Sunday, December 20th for the collection. If you cannot get out to shop, you can donate toward the purchase of pajamas, just place the donation in an envelope marked Visitation House Pajama Project and place it in the Collection basket. Thank you for your support in this project.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Spiritual Enrichment programs offered at Holy Family Parish during the Jubilee Year of Mercy:

Consoling the Heart of Jesus – Thursday
evenings from 7 – 9 pm beginning January
7th – March 16th. For information contact
Judy at 949-4742 or Joanne at 545-2758.

A Night of Fun

Our Lady of Peace Parish, 425 Broad St. N, Regina
January 23, 2016. A catered Roast Beef Supper by
Charlotte's Silent Auction, Entertainment & Dance.
Tickets are \$24.00 each, 4-10 yrs \$12.00 and under
4 is free. For Tickets contact Ken/Betty @545-
3402, John/Netty @545-1190, Jackie @543-3014,
Doreen @530-6179 or Brenda @ 545-9807.

Catholics Returning Home -

a ministry of Compassion and Reconciliation

Holy Cross Parish, 315 Douglas Ave. E., will be conducting an ongoing series called "Catholics Returning Home" on six consecutive Monday evenings at 7 pm, January 25, 2016. These sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Catholic faith. For information contact Cathleen @789-0705.

DivorceCare is a 13 session video seminar series featuring some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on Divorce and recovery topics as seen from the biblical perspective. Sessions start Monday January 11 at 7:00 pm at Resurrection Parish, 3155 Windsor Park Road in Regina. To register, please call Deborah at 306-789-2378.