

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

3rd Sunday of Lent

February 27 & 28, 2016

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.

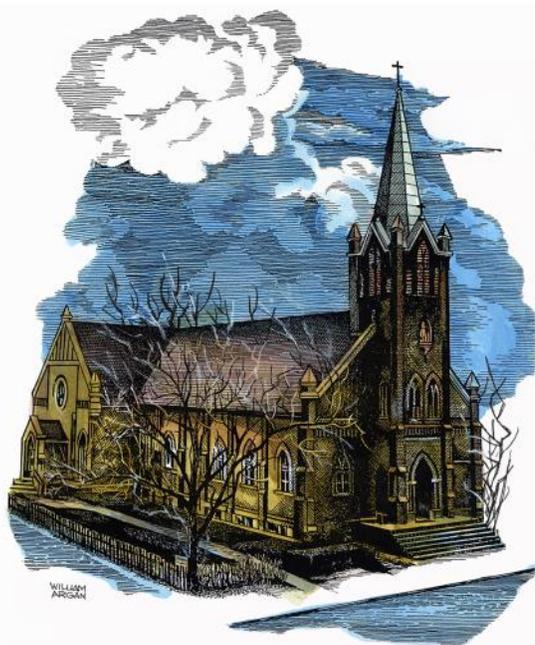
Parish Staff

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



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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Unless you repent, you will all perish. In today's Gospel we read that God's desire is not punishment, but mercy. Just as the gardener is prepared to wait another year for the fig tree to bear fruit, God waits patiently for each of us to reform our lives. We must accept them as fragile gifts and live them for others in charity and mercy. We have been called by name in baptism. Let us embrace our profound dependence on our living and merciful God, rejecting sin and celebrating instead God's selfless love.

Saturday, February 27, 2016: 5:10 pm

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas

Community Leader: Rosie Ongsu

Lectors: Mary Gebhardt, Christn Katas

Eucharistic Ministers: Larry Ongsu, Marvella Lovely
Loretta Elford

Hospitality: Jovita Ongsu, Paz Ongsu

Sunday, February 28, 2016: 10:00 am

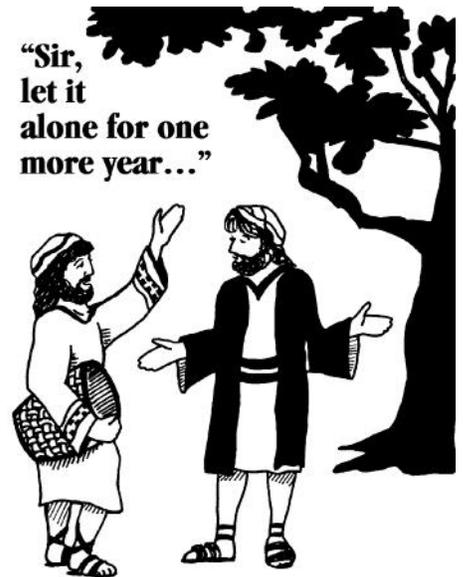
Altar Servers: Patrick Ravasco, Melchoir Andes

Community Leader: Richard Alejandria

Lectors: Joseph Alejandria

Eucharistic Ministers: Reuben Mercado, Pete Escanlar
Urbis Urbistondo

Hospitality: Alla Ngui, Art Vanderzalm



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

Monday,	7:00 p.m.	Mass: Fr. Tubale
Tuesday,	7:30 a.m.	Mass: Fr. Vitalis
Wednesday,	6:00 p.m.	Adoration and Benediction - 7:00 p.m. Mass
Thursday,	7:30 a.m.	Mass: Fr. Vitalis
Friday,	7:00 p.m.	Adoration and Stations of the Cross
	7:30 p.m.	All Night Vigil - First Friday/7:30 a.m. Saturday of the Month World Day of Prayer - Mass: Fr. Vitalis All Night Vigil concludes with 7:20 a.m. Saturday Benediction Mass: Fr. Vitalis
Saturday,	7:30 a.m.	Mass: Fr. Vitalis
	5:10 p.m.	Mass: Fr. Barry J. Anwender with Blessed Sacrament's scheduled Mass Ministers
Sunday,	10:00 a.m.	Mass: Fr. Vitalis with St. Mary's scheduled Ministers (Odd Sundays of month) Fr. Barry with Blessed Sacrament's scheduled Ministers (Even Sundays of month)
	5:00 p.m.	Mass: Fr. Vitalis

Church Repair Status

Please visit www.blessedsacramentregina.ca for more details.

Church Floor & Bell Tower Underpinning Project: This week we finished cleaning out the kitchen, conference room and storage area in the church basement. The contractors have gutted the church basement kitchen and conference room to make way for the underpinning process.

Church Floor Replacement Project: On hold until the floor and bell tower are underpinned. Caltec Flooring Ltd. estimate that the floor replacement project will require approximately two months to complete.

The Face of Mercy

The Papal Bull announcing the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy

From Francis, Bishop of Rome: To all who read this letter I send the blessing of grace, mercy, & peace.

15. So in this holy year, we will open our hearts to those on the fringe of society. We will heal wounds, not cause them. We will avoid indifference and take the first step toward those most in need of our mercy. Let us open our eyes to see the wounds of the world, to see those deprived of dignity and recognize their cry for help!



I want everyone to reflect deeply on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy throughout this year. Let us teach them to our children and to each other. We ourselves will be judged on how merciful we have been toward others. If we have shown mercy to the hungry, the homeless, the prisoner, and the lonely, then judgement will go well for us. As St John of the Cross put it, “as we prepare to leave this life, we will be judged on the basis of love.”

16. The Gospel of Luke offers another element that will help us live this Jubilee with vigor. Jesus rose to read in his hometown synagogue, according to Luke 4. He read from Isaiah the Prophet, “The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and freedom to those in captivity; to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

This “year of the Lord’s favor” is what we now enter into as our Jubilee. Let us address poverty once and for all. Let us proclaim liberty to those bound up in selfishness. Let us restore sight to those too blind to see human indignity. And let us do this cheerfully!

17. Let us make Lent 2016 a special time of allowing God to embrace us with his mercy once again. He never tires of taking us back, like the Father of the prodigal son. Let us make our Lenten fast one which frees the oppressed, tends to the homeless poor, and offers food to the hungry.

Toward this end, I want to see every diocese implement 24 Hours for the Lord, an initiative which draws people to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This sacrament is a vital part of our Jubilee year. I never tire of calling confessors to be authentic signs of God’s love. We become such a sign when we realize first and foremost our own need for forgiveness and mercy. And let us also reach out to those standing outside our walls. Embrace them as the Father did his prodigal son.

18. Also during Lent 2016, I plan to send out what I am calling Missionaries of Mercy. These will be priest confessors empowered to pardon even those sins normally reserved to the Holy See. It is my hope that local dioceses will organize “missions to the people” which will be open to all who seek mercy. We want to invite back all those who desire to live in God’s love..

Financial Update:



	Collection Feb 20 & 21	Target Feb 20 & 21	Feb 20 & 21 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
Regular Collection	\$1,837.70	\$3,840.00	(\$2,002.30)	(\$20,458.45)
Building Fund	\$302.00	\$18,309.00	(\$1,807.00)	(\$227,039.75)

Thank you for your donation!

Note: The “Regular Collection” target is based upon an annual operating budget of \$227,625.00. The “Building Fund” target is based upon an estimated construction budget of \$2.0M. These budgets need to be approved by the Parish Finance Council.

Blessed Sacrament Parish

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

2015 Tax Receipts are available for pick-up at the main entrance of the Church. Please pick them up so that they do not have to be mailed to your home.

Ministry Schedules for March are available at for pick-up in St. Mary's Sacristy or download them from our parish website.

Visitor Envelopes are available at St. Mary's front entrance. If an unmarked envelope with an amount of money is donated the amount will be shared with St. Mary's Parish.

Mass Intentions at Blessed Sacrament Parish are suspended while the church is closed for repairs. Our Mass intentions are not being celebrated at St. Mary's Parish during the week.

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.

Hands-on-Involvement

Do you wish to participate in a Catholic-Muslim dialogue activity which will involve hands-on-involvement in a cluster of approximately 4 workers. Two Catholics and two Muslims will collaborate to help settle newly arrived Syrian refugees. For further information phone Bert Pitzel at 306 352 1651 ext 222 or email at bpitzel@archregina.sk.ca

Year of Mercy Devotions & Mass

Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5th 2016 for first Friday/first Saturday all-night vigil in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary with Mass at 7:30 P.M. followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and ending with Mass at 7:30 A.M. on Saturday morning.

The Myriam Family of the Prairies

Silent Adoration March 1st, 2, 9, 10, 18, 22, 30, 31 from 4-5 pm. 2527E Margaret place, Regina, 306-761-0528. Welcome to all.

Inner City Missions Trip

An invitation for high school students who would like to join the Archdiocese of Regina High School Leadership Team to Winnipeg over the Easter holidays. All students in grades 8 to 12 are welcome to join us on this road trip adventure that will run from March 29 to April 1. Participants must register no later than March 18th in order to facilitate arrangements for accommodations and transportation. Register with Michelle Braden at (306)352-1651 or e-mail mbraden@archregina.sk.ca

Lenten Retreat -

Walking Towards Eternity

Daring to Walk the Walk

an 8-week study on Tuesdays March 1—April 19th at either 9:30am or 7:00pm. Our Lady of Peace Parish, 425 Broad St. N. No Pre-Registration or Registration Fee – Everyone Welcome to attend.

A preview of this program can be found on our Website under our Bible Study page at www.ourladyofpeaceregina.com

Share Lent Campaign

Building Houses

Building Community

Tuesday, March 8th at Holy Family Parish (1021 McCarthy Blvd N., Regina) - Hosted by the CWL.

Mass is at 7:00 pm followed by presentation, testimonials, discussion social and Indonesian desserts.

24 Hours for the Lord

In this Year of Mercy, we will hold events across the Archdiocese on March 4-5th. Check your local parish for details.

Boys Retreat

at St. Anne Parish, hosted by the Conquest Youth Leadership team. March 4-6 for boys age 10-16 to instill virtue, develop character, and encourage spiritual growth. Mass, confession and adoration. Cost - \$20. For information, contact Trevor Novak at 585-1609 or conquest.regina@gmail.com.

Ukrainian Sacred Choral Tradition

Wednesday, March 30, 2016, at 7:30 at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Hear a men's choir like you have never heard before! To purchase tickets and for more information, call 1-306-584-1846 or www.resurrectionalliturgy.com