

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

4th Sunday of Lent

March 5 & 6, 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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It is the gift of God. In today's Gospel, Jesus reveals that God's love extends to all humanity. In the sign of His cross, we see into the heart of God: mercy and compassion, not condemnation. Anyone who but looks to God with eyes of faith will be saved. This happens by grace, says Paul, not by our own efforts. It comes through the gift of Christ sharing with us the life of God. The sign of the cross motivates and sustains us to also be bearers of a message of love, mercy and compassion.

Saturday, March 5, 2016: 5:10 pm

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas, Jobvan Juancito
Community Leader: Jeanne Bonneville-Stroh
Lectors: Lorraine Vincent, Marvella Lovely
Eucharistic Ministers: Gail Runge, Loretta Elford
Ernesta Pagaduan
Hospitality: Sheryl Sayat, Christn Katas



Sunday, March 6, 2016: 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: 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 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 contractors are continuing to excess dirt and debris from the church basement floor. A new Radon gas ground sheet is being installed and covered with new Type-32 road base. The subcontractors have successfully hydro-vac'd their first pile, which will be used a surveyor's reference file for the entire building. Scaffolding is about 40% installed to shore and support the main church floor beams, so that the old floor columns and their cement pads can be removed. This makes way for hydro-vac'ing new pile holes and the installation of new adjustable floor columns to comply with BBK Structural Engineers underpinning specifications.

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 Mar 5 & 6	Target Mar 5 & 6	Mar 20 & 21 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
Regular Collection	\$2,707.75	\$5,359.00	(\$2,651.25)	(\$18,335.70)
Building Fund	\$735.05	\$20,051.00	(\$19,315.95)	(\$226,239.70)

Thank you for your donation!

Note: The “Regular Collection” target has been revised for an annual operating budget of \$200,000.00. The “Building Fund” target is now based upon the actual underpinning budget, together with the remaining estimated work for a construction budget of \$1.5M.

Blessed Sacrament Parish

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

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.

Year of Mercy Devotions & Mass

St. Mary's Parish, Regina, will take place on the 3rd Friday of each month during the Year of Mercy. Devotions will begin at 6 p.m. with adoration and prayers, followed by Mass at 7 p.m.

The Myriam Family of the Prairies

Silent Adoration: March 9, 10, 18, 22, 30, 31 from 4-5 pm. Welcome to all.

Evening of Prayer: March 10 from 7 - 9 pm.

2527E Margaret place, Regina, 306-761-0528.

Camp Monahan Day Camp

We are hosting a day of games, songs, crafts and the tradition of campfire under the leadership of our staff on Friday, May 20 – a great way to spend a school PD day 7:30 – 8 am drop off to 5:00 pm pick up Holy Trinity Church Send a bagged lunch, snacks will be provided Cost - \$30 Pre-register by MAY 1 by calling: 306.522.1047. To View Our newsletter go to http://www.campmonahan.ca/uploads/SPRING-NEWS_-2016.pdf

Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace

Share Lent Pilgrimage: Helping nuns serve their people in Bethlehem. Now our pilgrimage takes us to the Holy Land. Development and Peace is supporting Salesian nuns in the Cremisan Valley in Bethlehem in their struggle to remain close to their people. Their ability to provide schooling to over 450 children has been threatened by the construction of a separation wall which will cut them off from the people they serve. Your support helps to provide them with crucial legal support to fight the construction in the courts. Next Sunday is Solidarity Sunday and the Share Lent collection.

Chrism Mass of the Holy Oils

Tuesday, March 15, 2016, Holy Rosary Cathedral at 7:00 p.m. The chrism Mass of the Holy oils will be blessed and distributed to all the parishes for their use in the coming year. A Reception will follow the Mass.

Year of Mercy

Many of our great saints show us how to live out the works of mercy by their very lives. During The Archdiocesan Resource Centre has many DVDs and books that are available for anyone to borrow free-of-charge. Call Teresa at 306-352-1651 ext. 238 or email www.archregina.sk.ca

84th Annual 13 Tuesdays of Devotion

St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church on March 15, 2016 at 6:30 PM: Celebration of the Holy Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of the Relic of St. Anthony. Held every year since 1933!

Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come

Holy Trinity Church, 5020 Sherwood Drive, Regina. Sundays at 7 pm or Thursdays at 1 pm. April 3 to June 16. 11 week Bible study series on DVD. Register by calling Brenda at 306-530-1412.

Annual CWL Diocesan Convention

Apr. 17 & 18, 2016, at Holy Child Parish in Regina.

St. Patrick's Day with a Sing A Long

Our Lady of Peace, 425 Broad St. N from Thurs. Mar.17 @7 pm. Freewill offering. Refreshments served. Wheelchair accessible. Call Patricia 306-924-0418