

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Third Sunday of Easter

April 9 & 10, 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

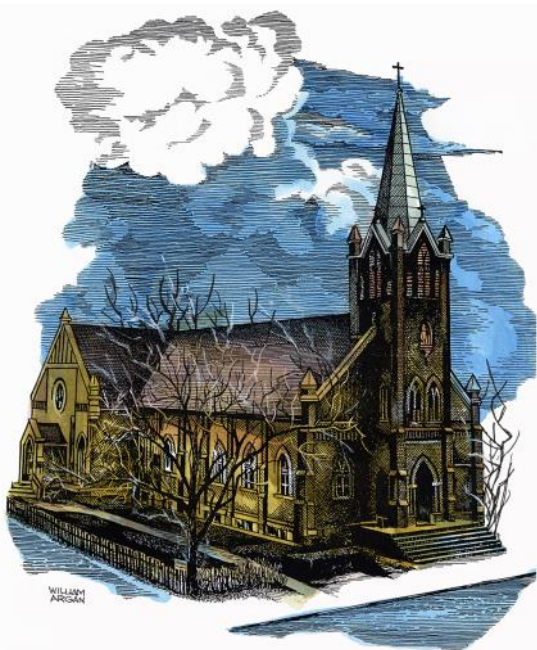
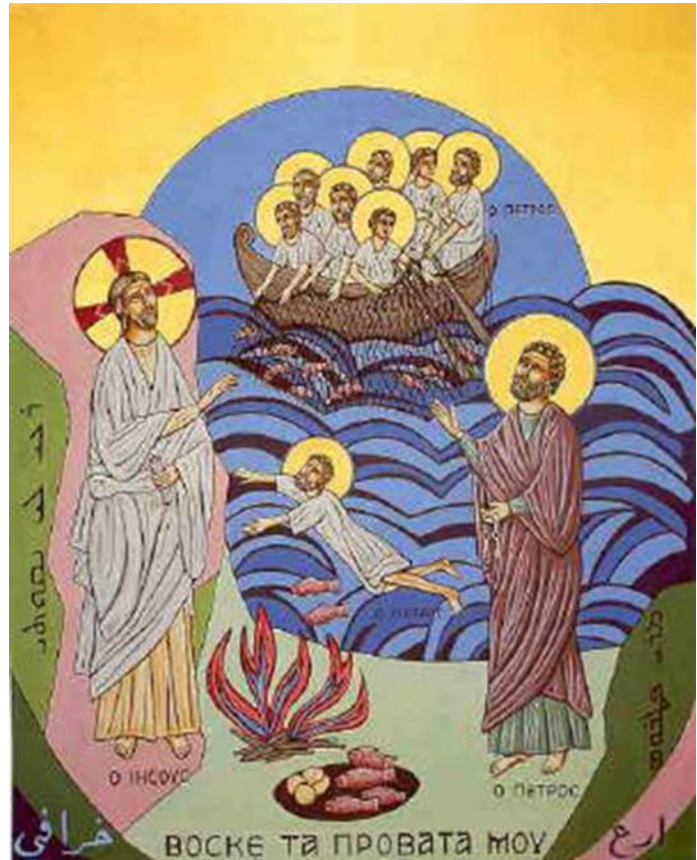
Suspended during Renovations

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



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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Lord, you know that I love you. Today's Gospel reading tells us about Jesus presiding over the catch of fish. The apostles were fishing all night and caught nothing. At daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach and asked his disciples if they had any fish? When Jesus heard that they had caught nothing, He asked them to "cast the net to the right side of the boat....They cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish." Today we are gathered as His Church: we are that catch of fish, but we too are sent out to be fishers by Jesus who feeds us in the Eucharist with his own self.

Saturday, April 9, 2016: 5:10 p.m.

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas, Jovan Juancito

Community Leader: Rosie Ongsu

Lectors: Lorraine Vincent, Larry Ongsu

Eucharistic Ministers: Loretta Elford,
Marvella Lovely, Mary Wadsworth

Hospitality: Sheryl Sayat, Christn Katas

Sunday, April 10, 2016: 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Angela & Andrea Paz

Community Leader: Wendy Vaughn

Lectors : Gloria Rivero, Dennis Nacional

Eucharistic Ministers: Gail Runge,
Maria Alarcon, Dennis Nacional

Hospitality: Sharon Greer, Lill Popp



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
	7:00 p.m.	Mass: Fr. Vitalis
Friday,	3:00 p.m.	Mass: Fr. Vitalis
Saturday,	8:00 a.m.	Mass: Fr. Vitalis
	5:10 p.m.	Mass: Fr. Barry with Blessed Sacrament Parish scheduled ministers
Sunday,	10:00 a.m.	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 have removed the last five (5) old cast iron floor columns and piles in the 1905 basement section. Next week, cement will be poured for the new piles, then the final five (5) new adjustable columns will be installed and loaded. Thus within the next two weeks, the underpinning process will be completed in the 1905 basement section. The work focus will move to the bell tower and 1913 basement section which contains the four large transept columns and pads.

The center floor beam scaffolding in the 1905 basement section is now completely removed. There are now eleven (11) new adjustable columns which are being adjusted in small increments to gradually level out the church floor in relation to the outer foundation walls. Some new plaster cracks are expected to occur inside the church as adjustments are made to normalize the floor as best possible. Keep in mind that the floor cannot be leveled perfectly as in a new building.

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.

19. May this message of mercy reach everyone, and may no one be indifferent to it. I include especially the men and women taking part in organized crime, those who have made money their god, and those who participate in corruption, greed, and wrongdoing. To those people I say, “This is your moment of grace.” Return to the Father; he waits to embrace and forgive you. Please accept this invitation to conversion.



20. Let me say a word now about the connection between justice and mercy. Justice leads to rule of law in society; it also refers to what each person is rightly due. Indeed the law is important to us but we must be careful not to fall into legalism. (Mt 9:13)

Jesus himself addressed this. To those who objected to his open love for all, he suggested a meditation on mercy. Love triumphs over law in Jesus’ teaching. Paul is an example of this. He had spent his life enforcing the law – that is, until he met Jesus. His conversion turned his view of that law upside down. Likewise for us. When people come to us with “legal” issues with the Church, we often offer them only legal solutions. But a more merciful solution is what we seek to offer instead.

21. Offering us mercy instead of judgment is God’s way of reaching out to us in the midst of our wrongdoing and selfishness. Such divine mercy helps us look deep within to find our true person there, a person created by a loving God and destined also for love in God.

During the time of the Old Testament prophet, Hosea, the people of Israel were sinful and unfaithful. According to justice, God had every right to destroy and punish them. But instead, God offered them only his endless mercy. “How can I give you up?” God asked. “...my compassion grows warm and tender.” (Hosea 11:8-9)

And this is to our point here. Merely following the rules is not enough; justice must be tempered by mercy. If God acted any other way, he would no longer be God but only a mere human. When we feel the tenderness of God’s forgiveness – even when we know how selfish and badly we have behaved – then we grow in love.

Therefore, we allow only the self-giving love that Christ showed for us to be our norm. Beyond that, who are we to judge?

Financial Update:



	Collection	Target	Apr 2 & 3 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
	Apr 2 & 3	Apr 2 & 3		
Regular Collection	\$2,949.82	\$7,932.00	(\$4,982.18)	(\$28,622.18)
Building Fund	\$504.18	\$24,833.00	(\$24,328.82)	(\$268,127.07)
Development & Peace	\$310.00			\$1,9811.00
Papal Charities	\$50.00			\$950.20
Needs of Church Holy Land	\$55.00			\$938.20

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

Ministry Schedules for April are available 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.

The Myriam Family

Retreat: April 14, 5-9 p.m., prayer, pot-luck supper

Bible activity for children: Sunday, April 17th

Silent Adoration: April 12 to 15, 19 to 22, 4-5 pm.

Registration: 306-761-0528

2527E Margaret Place, Regina

A Prayer for the People of Syria

Almighty and all powerful God,
creator of the world

We bring before you all those caught
up in the conflict in Syria.

We pray for an immediate ceasefire, for
an end to violence against all civilians.

Give humanitarian organizations the space to assist
the needs of those living in poverty and insecurity.

We pray for those who are experiencing the
pain of personal loss, for families who are
mourning the loss of loved ones

Comfort especially those who have friends
and family members missing.

We pray for those caught up in the cycle
of violence and bloodshed:
give them a just peace.

Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia

Think About It

Physicians and other health care staff have a basic human right to conscientiously object to hastening a patient's death through assisted suicide or euthanasia and should never be forced to do so.

The New Evangelization Summit

Inspiring Catholics

Holy Rosary Cathedral Auditorium, Friday April 15th 7:00-9:30 pm and Saturday April 16th 8:45 am – 4:30 pm (Mass at 8:00 am). Live streaming from Ottawa to Holy Rosary Cathedral, 2104 Garnet St. Cost \$30 (includes a hot lunch Saturday and nutrition breaks). For tickets contact Carol at 306-543-3203 or cschimnosky@sasktel.net

Theology of the Body Seminar

Holy Trinity Parish, Regina, Friday, April 29, 2016, from 7-9 pm and Saturday, April 30, 2016, from 9 am to 4 pm. The Cor-Seminar Live: God, Sex, & the Meaning of Life with Christopher West. For more information or tickets, call: 306-543-3838 or online: corseminarregina2015.eventbrite.com

Archdiocese of Regina

Annual Leadership Camps

August 15-18 for those entering grades 10 to 1st year university in the Fall. August 19-22 for those entering grades 7 to 9. "Operation Pilgrimage" is for all students looking to grow in their faith, develop leadership skills and just have a ton of fun. Cost is \$140. Registration forms can be found at most parishes or by contacting Michelle Braden ymo@archregina.sk.ca

Give a Lift Rock 'n' Roll Fundraiser

Riddell Centre Bldg., Multi-Purpose Room, UofR., Saturday, April 16 Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased in person at Campion College #305 or by phone at 306-359-1243. Under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Sponsored by the Campion College Council (#15955) of the Knights of Columbus.

Country Gospel Sing A Long

Our Lady of Peace, 425 Broad St. N., Thursday, April 21 @ 7 pm. Freewill Offering. Wheelchair accessible. Coffee, tea, treats served. Everyone welcome. Contact Patricia 306-924-0418