

# WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 16 & 17, 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

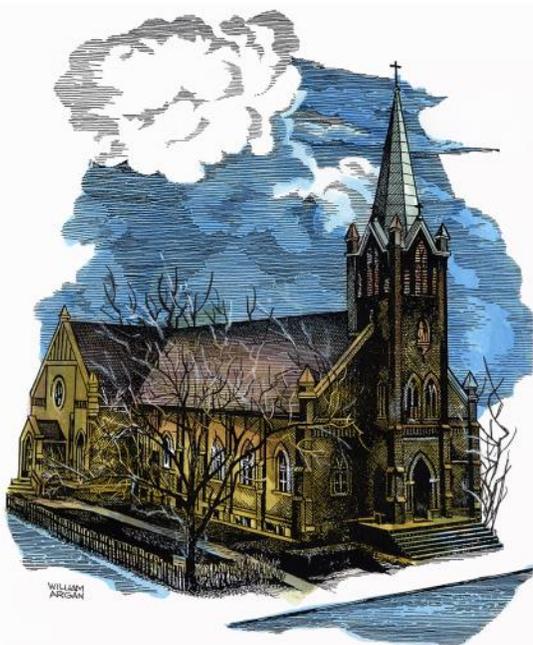
Suspended during Renovations

### 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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**I lay down my life for my sheep.** The vocation of Jesus was: "I came that you may have life and have it abundantly." God also has chosen us for a specific vocation from the beginning of time. What we need is help to discover what this vocation is and to celebrate it so that we can truly live from that 'knowing'. Through sincere reflection and prayer our mission in life will become clearer and more meaningful. Our faith will be deepened and our service more filled with love. By virtue of our baptism we all share in the precious gift that is greater than all else. We all share the vocation to care and to be cared for - to shepherd each other. Jesus as the Good Shepherd, knows us, his sheep, and relates individually to us.

**Saturday, April 16, 2016: 5:10 p.m.**

**Altar Servers:** Cristo Katas, Jovan Juancito

**Community Leader:** Jeanne Bonneville

**Lectors:** Loretta Elford, Helen Ball

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Wadsworth

Lorraine Vincent, Gail Runge

**Hospitality:** Jovita Ongsu, Paz Ongsu

**Sunday, April 17, 2016: 10:00 a.m.**

**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. Mass: Fr. Vitalis (Every 3rd Friday of the Month)

**Saturday,** 7:30 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](http://www.blessedsacramentregina.ca) for more details.

**Church Floor & Bell Tower Underpinning Project:** This week contractors poured cement for the last five (5) piles in the 1905 basement section as well as four (4) new piles in the bell tower section. The underpinning process in the 1905 basement section is now completed. To date, sixteen (16) new floor/roof piles, four (4) new bell tower piles and a new surveyor's reference pile have been installed .

The general contractor has also completed a detailed surveyed for all thirty-four (34) floor/roof columns. Each one of these floor/roof columns need to be adjusted downward. We can now say with certainty that a few floor columns have heaved (lifted) by as much as 2 inches. Consequently, there is some structural damage to the church roof in the new washroom area, as well as in the transept area. **We need to be grateful** that this underpinning project will save the building by stabilizing the church floor, the roof and the bell tower.

# 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 <u>Apr 9 &amp; 10</u>	Target <u>Apr 9 &amp; 10</u>	Apr 9 & 10 <u>Over (Short) from Target</u>	Jan 1– Dec 31 <u>Over (Short) from Target</u>
Regular Collection	\$2,679.60	\$3,906.00	(\$1,226.40)	(\$29,848.58)
Building Fund	\$352.00	\$12,365.00	(\$12,013.00)	(\$280,140.07)

**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**

**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**

Silent Adoration: April 19 to 22, 4-5 pm.  
Registration: 306-761-0528  
2527E Margaret Place, Regina

### **Helping Teens with Anxiety Management**

#### **The Parent Session**

Dr. Martin LeBoldus Catholic High School Auditorium, April 20, 2016, 7:00p.m by the Regina Catholic School Division.

### **Camp Monahan**

#### **Annual Trash to Treasure - Garage Sale**

May 27 - 29. April 20, we will be accepting donations by drop off or pick up. Please call, 306-522-1047 or email [cammonahan@sasktel.net](mailto:cammonahan@sasktel.net). Funds go to programs and facilities at Camp.

#### **Camp in the City**

Holy Trinity Parish, Regina, May 20, is a day of games, songs, crafts and the tradition of campfire under the leadership of our staff. Cost - \$30. Drop off - 7:30 am - 8 am, pick up 5 - 5:30 pm. Ages - 6 - 13 years. Please send a nut-free bagged lunch; water bottle and outdoor clothing. Snacks will be provided. Call, 306-522-1047 or email [cammonahan@sasktel.net](mailto:cammonahan@sasktel.net).

## **Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia**

### **Think About It**

Every person at the end of life would benefit from good palliative care, but in Saskatchewan there are only a handful of qualified palliative care physicians and far too few palliative care or hospice beds.

### **It's Time to Talk...**

#### **Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide**

Parliament Community Church, 4011 Pasqua St., Regina, Monday, June 20, 2016 - 7:00 pm -9:00 pm. Mary Deutscher, Ph.D.(c), Diocese of Saskatoon's Justice and Peace Commission, and a Board Member for the Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan.

### **The New Evangelization Summit**

#### **Inspiring Catholics**

Holy Rosary Cathedral Auditorium, Friday April 15th, 7:00 pm - 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](mailto:cschimnosky@sasktel.net)

### **Theology of the Body Seminar**

Holy Trinity Parish, Regina, Friday, April 29, 2016, from 7 pm-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](http://corseminarregina2015.eventbrite.com)

### **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.