

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Sixth Sunday of Easter

April 30 & May 1, 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

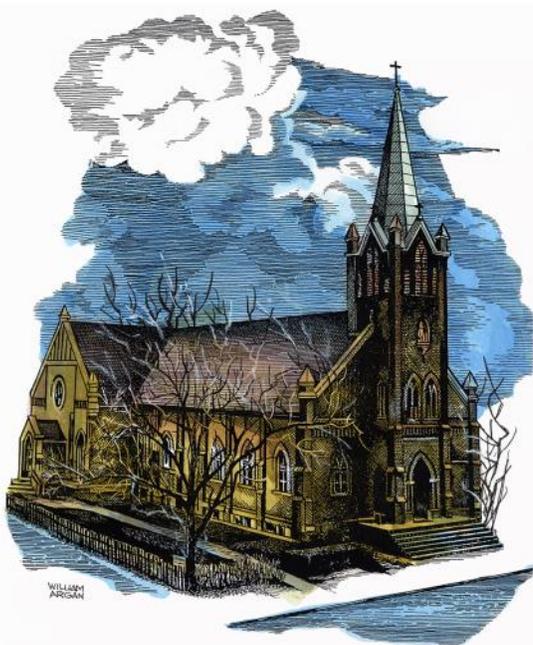
Tuesday to Friday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

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



"the Advocate, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you and remind you of all that I have said to you (Jn 14:26)"



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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My peace I leave with you. Today's readings are full of reassurance and the promise of blessing. The readings point to Christianity's strong roots in Judaism. In the first reading we see that early Christianity valued the wisdom of the whole community to discern how to honour the past while being open to a new future. In the second reading, the gates of the heavenly city, the New Jerusalem, are named for the twelve ancient tribes of Israel. In the Gospel, Jesus, whose teaching of justice and compassion are suffused with His knowledge of the Hebrew Scriptures, reassures His followers that the Holy Spirit will remind them of all He has said.

Saturday, April 30, 2016: 5:10 p.m.

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas, Jovan Juancito

Community Leader: Marvella Lovely

Lectors: Mary Gebhardt, Christn Katas

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Wadsworth, Gail Runge

Hospitality: Jovita Ongsu, Paz Ongsu

Sunday, May 1, 2016: 10:00 a.m.

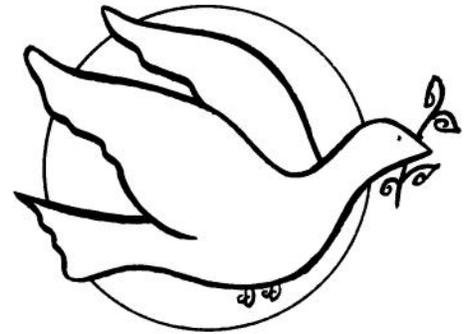
Altar Servers: St. Mary's Liturgy

Community Leader: St. Mary's Liturgy

Lectors : St. Mary's Liturgy

Eucharistic Ministers: St. Mary's Liturgy

Hospitality: St. Mary's Liturgy



The Advocate, the Holy Spirit.

Jn 14:26

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)

1:00 p.m. Latin Mass (Every 2nd & 4th Sunday of the 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 poured cement for the last two (2) piles in the basement kitchen/conference room area. The scaffolding in the 1905 basement section has been removed so the ground floor can be leveled out, sealed with a new Radon gas sheet and covered with new road base material.

The bell tower foundation area has been excavated and is being prepared for a new "structural slab" which will stabilize the tower and also become the foundation for a new "structural skeleton" which will extend up to the belfry. Gerry Spooner and Fr. Barry visited the Knox Met bell tower last October to see how they have stabilized their bell tower which houses 22 bells. The BBK Structural Engineers are reviewing photos of the Knox Met belfry to design a smaller version of a "structural skeleton" which will support Blessed Sacrament's three original 1905 bells. The project to install the new "structural skeleton" is scheduled to begin in the fall together with work to repair the structural damage to the church roof and 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.

22. Let me now speak a little about indulgences because a Jubilee year always involves granting them. Simply put, God indulges us. This Holy Year of Mercy is time during which, by taking certain steps under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, we will come to know firsthand this indulgent God. Not only are our sins forgiven but we are transformed as children of God. We are transformed; and this is what the indulgence of the Holy Year offers us.



So when we visit a shrine, celebrate Reconciliation, tend to the poor, or make peace with someone, we receive an indulgence from God. Likewise, we live within the communion of saints and their holiness leads us to holiness.

Therefore, we approach the Father’s mercy with absolute assurance that his mercy extends to our entire lives. To “gain an indulgence” is to experience this holiness in the Church.

23. As we ponder the meaning of mercy this year, we do so as neighbors to Jews and Muslims. Both of these great traditions consider mercy to be one of God’s most important attributes. Both are steeped in understanding God as mercy and kindness. I hope that during this Jubilee we can encounter these and other great religious traditions and dialogue with them.

24. We turn now to Mary, the Mother of Mercy. May she watch over us in this Jubilee year. She witnessed the mercy of her son, Jesus, throughout his life and even at the foot of his cross. In her great hymn, Mary sang in this or similar words: “God’s mercy flows in wave after wave on those who are in awe before him...” During this year, let us pray to Mary in the great Salve Regina, known in English as the Hail, Holy Queen.

We pray with those in the communion of saints who made divine mercy their mission. In particular, we honor St Faustina Kowalska. May she stand with us before God throughout this year.

Financial Update:



	Collection Apr 23 & 24	Target Apr 23 & 24	Apr 23 & 24 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
Regular Collection	\$2,271.10	\$3,622.00	(\$1,350.90)	(\$32,708.78)
Building Fund	\$11,419.00	\$14,039.00	(\$2,620.00)	(\$297,510.07)
Education of Seminarians	\$140.00			840.20

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 Schedule for May is available for pick-up at the main entrance of the Church or download 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.

Mary in our Roman Catholic Tradition

Little Flower Parish, Thursdays, 7 pm. The gatherings will include a time of teaching: St. John Paul II's On the Most Holy Rosary (May 12), Mary in the Scriptures (May 19), Mary in the Tradition (May 26), and Mary in Private Revelation (June 2), and praying one set of mysteries each week.

It's a Family Affair!

The Archdiocese of Regina Youth Ministry Office invites all who minister to young people and their families to share time with us at the diocesan office on Saturday, June 18 10 am - 4 pm. RSVP by May 30 by e-mail: yomo@archregina.sk.ca or 306-352-1651 ext. 223

Year of Mercy Presentation

Wednesday May 18, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, Resurrection Parish, 3155 Windsor Park Road The Very Reverend James Owolagba, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Regina and Judicial Vicar of the Marriage Tribunal, will speak on the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy and Divine Mercy.

May is Leave a Legacy Month

Call or email us for your free Catholic Estate Organizer: Joan at jfellinger@archregina.sk.ca or at 306-352-1651.

Working against Suicide

The Government of Canada has introduced Bill C-14, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and to make related amendments to other Acts (medical assistance in dying). This proposed legislation, which responds to the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in early 2015, will make euthanasia and assisted suicide legal and more accessible in our entire country. The Supreme Court decision and current legislative efforts are in stark contradiction to the endeavours of individuals, families and communities to counteract the dangers and sufferings of suicide. To express your concerns about the legislation, visit <http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/>.

Euthanasia: Why Not?

Christ the King Parish Resource Center, Sunday, May 15, 2:00 p.m. A DVD presentation deals with many health care and social issues regarding legal suicide. Presenter, Dr. Larry Rados, a Winnipeg medical doctor.

Development and Peace

Holy Rosary Parish, Friday, June 10, 7 p.m. A conference on the Paris Climate Change Agreement jointly organized by the Canadian Religious Conference and environmental organization Equiterre.

Funeral Pre-planning 101

Holy Cross Parish, 315 Douglas Ave. E., Regina, Thursday, May 5 at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP to: Holy Cross Parish Office, 306-757-1325 or email hc.office@holycrossregina.ca

Annual Joint Prayer Service of Reconciliation

In the Anglican-Roman Catholic Covenant signed in 2011 between the Diocese of Qu'Appelle and the Archdiocese of Regina, the two dioceses commit to holding an annual joint prayer service of reconciliation with the participation of both bishops. This year, the service will take place on Pentecost Sunday, May 15, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Cathedral, Regina. The homily will be given by the Very Reverend Lorne Crozon, Rector of Holy Rosary Cathedral and Diocesan Administrator for the Archdiocese since the death of Archbishop Daniel Bohan in January. The episcopal blessing will be given by the Most Reverend James Weisgerber, Archbishop Emeritus of Winnipeg.