

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Corpus Christi

May 28 & 29, 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

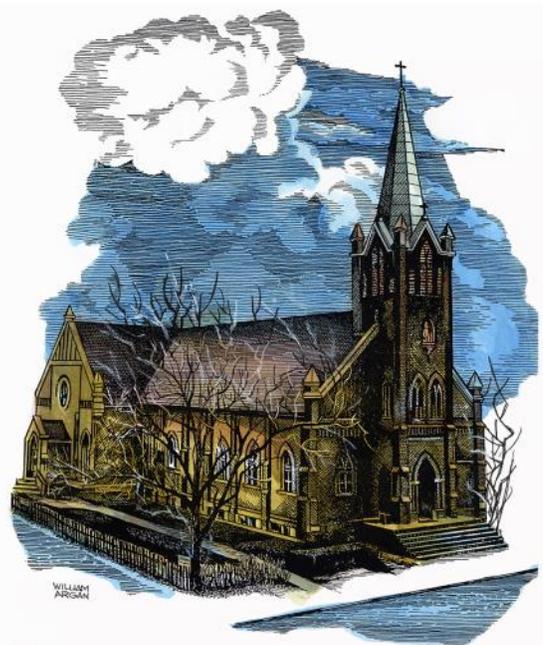
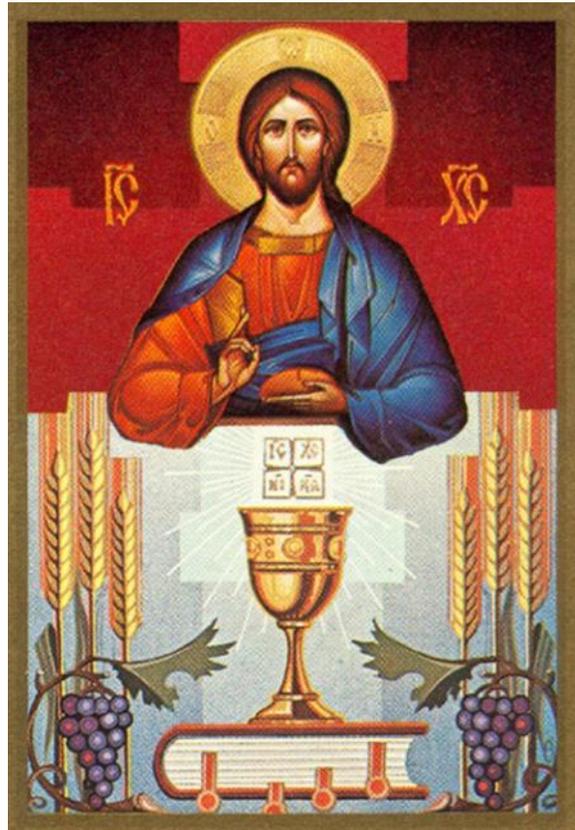
Suspended during Renovations

Office Hours

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

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Barry J. Anwender
Business Manager:
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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The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ tells us how the Eucharist began. Throughout the centuries, the Eucharist has been a source of courage and strength, for people of faith have recognized that what they share at the Eucharist is the Risen Christ Himself. He is our nourishment and food for the journey. When we give regular bread to the poor, we give nourishment to suffering humanity, to the "whole Body of Christ" which hungers for the bread of justice. After receiving the Eucharist, we renew our commitment to serve Christ in those who hunger and thirst in so many ways for a healthy and dignified life. The mission once entrusted to the disciples, is now ours.

Saturday, May 28, 2016: 5:10 p.m.

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas, Jovan Juancito

Community Leader: Loretta Elford

Lectors: Mary Gebhardt, Christn Katas

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Wadsworth, Gail Runge,
Lorraine Vincent

Hospitality: Jovita Ongsu, Paz Ongsu



Sunday, May 29, 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)
	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: Contractors have now removed the entire concrete floor in the church basement conference room and kitchen area. The underpinning process required that the cement floor be opened up more than initially planned, especially around the transept columns/pads. The old concrete floor was also heaved up in the middle of the conference room, so the decision has been made to remove the entire floor. We discovered that the original floor was poured with a minimal sand base, basically concrete over damp gumbo dirt. There is evidence of water damage along the outer foundation walls because the original wood wall studs in the conference room are rotten and covered with black mold. The old plaster wall and rotten wall studs will be completely removed.

The entire dirt floor in the 1913 basement section is being excavated down by eight (8) inches to make way for a new concrete floor. A new floor is being prepared to install four (4) inches of proper road base, to install steel rebar in compliance with today's building code and to install four (4) inches of new concrete.

Rediscover Mercy - Feed The Hungry

Reflection by a Dynamic Catholic Team

The works of mercy are broken up into two categories: the corporal works of mercy and the spiritual works of mercy. Sacred Scripture defines seven corporal works of mercy (Matt 25:31-46): Feed the hungry, Give drink to the thirsty, Cloth the naked, Shelter the homeless, Visit the sick, Visit the imprisoned, Bury the dead. The corporal works of mercy are concerned primarily with meeting the physical needs of others.

We live in a world where hunger is a daily reality for nearly 800 million people (World Food Programme). But how do I tangibly and prudently feed the hungry? The “one level down” concept, a practical way to not only feed the hungry, but also live out other works of mercy.

The basic concept is this: Whenever you are going to purchase something, look at what you want, then buy “one level down” from that. You can put that into practice this Advent. Make it a point to purchase one level down from what you normally buy. Order a smaller meal, go for the off-brand, rent a movie instead of going out, etc. At the end of Advent, tally up the money you saved and make sure someone in your community has a meal this Christmas.

FREE TO BE GENEROUS

This exercise clearly is about living more generously and giving to the poor, but let’s dig a little deeper. In order to do that authentically, we need to focus on detachment from the things of this world. In the midst of the complexities of this modern era, we find ourselves enslaved and imprisoned by a thousand different whims, cravings, addictions, and attachments. We cannot live out the works of mercy if we are attached to our desire for things. By separating ourselves from a love of things, we can more fully love people.

To love is to give yourself freely and without reservation. Yet, to give yourself—to another person, to an endeavor, or to God—you must first possess yourself. The person who has little self-possession thinks only of himself and constantly places his desires before the needs of others. The very act of loving is an act of self-donation, of giving ourselves to another.

All the spiritual disciplines that make up the incredible landscape of Catholic spirituality are designed in one way or another to restore our lost self-possession so that we can once again love God and neighbor, and be loved the way we were created to be loved.

Living with a one-level-down mentality is just one way that we can practice this self-possession and free ourselves to love through the works of mercy.

REFLECTION

Focus: In what way are you imprisoned by whims, cravings, addictions, or attachments?

Act: Integrate a one-level-down mentality into your purchase decisions. Start today by doing it once.

Pray: I beg of you, my Lord, to remove anything which separates me from you, and you from me.

(From Saint Peter Faber’s Prayer for Detachment)



Financial Update:

	Collection	Target	May 21/May 22 Over (Short)	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short)
	<u>May 21/May 22</u>	<u>May 21/May 22</u>	<u>from Target</u>	<u>from Target</u>
Regular Collection	\$1,610.55	\$3,633.00	(\$2,022.45)	(\$39,988.63)
Building Fund	\$1,237.00	\$13,253.00	(\$12,016.00)	(\$364,648.07)

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

Ministry Schedules for June are available for pick-up at the main entrance of the Church or download it 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. 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.

In honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Friday, June 3rd and Saturday, June 4th 2016 for first Friday/first Saturday all-night vigil in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The vigil is held at St. Mary's Church, 2026 Winnipeg St., Regina with Mass at 7:30 pm followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and ending with Mass at 7:30 A.M. on Saturday morning. Come join us in this Year of Mercy!

Prosopon Religious Icon Writing Workshop

in Regina from Monday, August 15 to Saturday, August 20 (9 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily) led by Master Iconographer of the Prosopon, Father Mefodii from Palmyra. In this six-day workshop, students will be introduced to the practice and theory of the ancient Christian art of icon writing in the Byzantine-Russian tradition. (requires no artistic ability) Register by contacting Shannon Novak at (306) 585-1609 or website: tnovak@sasktel.net

World Youth Day

Sunday, July 31, 2016 from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm at Holy Child Parish, 2636 – 7th Avenue East, Regina. Grades 7 to 12 from the Archdiocese of Regina to a fun-filled day of activities and prayer.

Development and Peace

Nepal one year after the Earthquake

Development and Peace has received new funding from Global Affairs Canada to help support those ongoing conflict-affected communities:

Ecuador: \$50,000 towards emergency relief efforts after a violent earthquake measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale struck the country on Saturday, April 16th, 2016.

Iraq: \$3.7 million for emergency assistance, such as shelters and sanitation facilities.

Syria: \$2.25 million to food security and supply emergency aid.

MiningWatch and Development and Peace sent out a press release asking the Prime Minister to give special attention to the letter on Canada's foreign policy regarding the global mining sector and to take action.

Ministry Formation Program

Commissioning Celebration

Commissioning Celebration of the Third Year Candidates of the Archdiocesan Lay Ministry Formation Program on Saturday, June 11, 2016. The Eucharist will be celebrated at 2:00 pm at Little Flower Parish, Regina. Reception will follow at Little Flower Parish Auditorium.

A workshop on the preparation of a Christian Funeral

St. Martin de Porres Parish Hall, Saturday, June 25th from 9am to Noon, St. . Lunch provided at no charge. St. Martin de Porres Funeral Planning Team. The essential elements of a Catholic Funeral will be studied: music, readings, eulogies, etc. Pre-registration is required if you are staying for lunch. Call 306-586-5655 or st.martinsadmin@sasktel.net

Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend Marriage Retreat

The archdiocese has approved a marriage preparation course June 3 - 5, 2016 near Wolseley. Registration www.ceewest.com and click "Regina" or call Ann and Jeff Denton at (306)-586-0934.

Chronos with the Prairie Chamber Choir:

cappella music from five centuries
Friday, June 10, 8:00 pm, First Presbyterian Church
2170 Albert Street. Tickets \$20/15 in advance
\$23/18 door. Tickets at Chronos Vocal Ensemble.