

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 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
Accountant: Lamont Stradeski
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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Mary has chosen the better part. Sometimes we get caught up with one or the other. We, however, need both action and prayer in our lives. Recently we heard the parable of the Good Samaritan, reminding us of the absolute necessity to love and serve our neighbour. And today we hear the story of Mary and Martha who welcome Jesus to their home. Mary sits at Jesus' feet and listens to what he is saying, while Martha is distracted by her many tasks. We are encouraged to join prayer and action and action to prayer to be true disciples of Jesus.

Saturday, July 16, 2016: 5:10 p.m.

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas, Jovan Juancito

Community Leader: Rosie Ongsu

Lectors: Marvella Lovely, Helen Ball

Eucharistic Ministers: Loretta Elford, Larry Ongsu,
Gail Runge

Hospitality: Jovita Ongsu, Paz Ongsu

Sunday, July 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



GRATITUDE & PRAYERS FOR OUR BENEFACTORS

Special donations over \$5,000.00 to Blessed Sacrament Parish

In 2014

From the estate of the late Agnes Weinberger for a new high efficiency boiler system: **\$105,000.00**

From Joseph Chipeur for building renovations: **\$5,000.00**

In 2015

From Marvella M. Lovely for building renovations: **\$6,500.00**

From Joseph Chipeur for building renovations: **\$5,570.00**

From Dr. Vernon & Mrs. Jane Gebhardt for building renovations: **\$5,100.00**

In 2016

From the South Saskatchewan Community Fund for underpinning repairs & renovations: **\$94,618.10**

In Memory of Henry & Eva Hueser for new stained glass rose window LED lighting,

restoration of stained glass window openers, communion rails and confessional: **\$10,000.00**

From Loretta Elford for restoration of the bell tower, so the bells can be reinstalled: **\$5,500.00**

May God reward you and all parishioners for your generous gifts.

REPAIR-RESTORATION-RENOVATION PROJECTS NEEDING YOUR DONATIONS

Church Floor & Carpet Replacement

Church Sound System Replacement

Church Roof Structural Repairs

Church Attic Insulation Replacement

Church Basement Floor Replacement

Church Basement Hall & Washrooms

Church Grounds & Landscaping

Church New Structural Skeleton for Bells

Church & Rectory Roof Replacement

Church Ceiling Repair & Painting

Church Basement Mechanical Design

Church Basement Small-Commercial Kitchen

Church Repair Status

Please visit www.blessedsacramentregina.ca for more details.

Church Floor Underpinning Project: Breda Brother Builders are waiting for transept columns/pads to settle. Slabmaster has raised the west sidewalk, so that water will drain away from the front church steps into the street.

Rediscover Mercy - Visit The Sick

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.

Finding the time or the energy to visit the sick can be rather daunting, even under normal circumstances. So when asked to visit the sick while in Rome, you can imagine my internal struggle. After all, I was in Rome discerning the priesthood. I wanted to see the sights, eat Italian food, and visit a 1,000-year-old church or two. Visiting the sick wasn't on my agenda. I tried to reason with myself. Couldn't I wait until I got home to visit the sick? But something in my heart encouraged me to go. So, full of hesitation, I went. It ended up being the best decision I ever made.

WHEN IN ROME?

The only hospital at the Vatican is a children's hospital. The plan was to go from floor to floor and sing music and maybe meet some of the Italian children. We couldn't talk directly to them since they didn't speak English, but we did have a translator. I had no intention of speaking with any of the children—my plan was simply to sing. After we sang on one floor, however, I wandered into a nearby room with the translator by my side. There was a little girl about 11 years old sitting up. She was weak and alone, perhaps even an outcast.

IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE

The translator said her name was Nicoleta. He asked if I wanted to say anything to her. I told the translator that I couldn't think of anything to say because, even in her weakness and innocence, her beauty had me speechless. He said something to her in Italian, and she started to cry. "What did you say?" I asked him. "I told her you said she is beautiful." Those tears were tears of joy.

What if this was the first time this poor, sick, little girl had ever been told she was beautiful? I began to think, what if I had decided not to visit the sick that day? If I had stuck to my plan to tour the city and eat pizza, Nicoleta may never have heard those words she desperately needed to hear . . . and I may have become a priest. Like I said, I was in Rome discerning the priesthood, but it was ministering to Nicoleta that helped me realize I wanted to be a husband and father. As it often happens, we minister to others with the hope of changing their lives, but they are the ones who end up changing our lives.

How can you visit the sick? Do you have friends and family who are ill or weak? Is there a hospital you can visit? Whatever it might be, I encourage you to act—it might make someone's week or even year . . . and it may transform your life.

REFLECTION

Focus: How can you visit the sick, and how can you be fully present to those people?

Act: Schedule time to visit the sick, and spend time in prayer before doing so.

Pray: Father, help me to be your agent of mercy to those in need. Help them to find consolation in you through my presence. Use me to show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole, and free downcast spirits. (Based on Prayer for the Sick)

Financial Update:



	Collection July 9 & 10	Target July 9 & 10	July 9 & 10 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
Regular Collection	\$2,818.35	\$3,095.00	(\$276.65)	(\$48,935.88)
Building Fund	\$962.90	\$20,188.00	(\$19,225.10)	(\$507,405.78)
Bishop's Spring Appeal	\$100.00			\$3,370.00

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. Training will be provided to help you feel comfortable.

Prayer of Petition for the formation of the diaconates; Harper Boucher, Norbert Gaudet Lamont Dyck, David Hagel, David Hudy and for the seminarians; Parker Love, Ricardo Escalante, Reed Miller, John Ottens, Chinhu Vu, Chris Juchacz, Andrew Lindenbach, Anthony Phung Tran; that God would bless them as they prepare to serve the people of God in our Archdiocese, we pray to the Lord .

Invitation to Celebrate the 80th Birthday of Reverend Father Marian Ogorek

at St. Anthony's Parish Hall, 1825 Winnipeg St., Regina on Saturday, August 20th 5:00 p.m. RSVP to Teresa at 306-6072 by August 8th

Invitation to Diaconal Ordination

You are cordially invited to the Diaconal Ordination of Arpee Nicolas Sacramento Urquico on Friday, September 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the Holy Rosary Cathedral, 2104 Garnet St., Regina, SK. Most Reverend Vernon James Weisgerber, Archbishop Emeritus of Winnipeg officiating.

Country Gospel Sing Along

St. Peter's Hall (downstairs)100 Argyle St.
Wed. July 27 @ 7 pm
Wheelchair accessible

Euthanasia

The fifth part of the Brett Salkeld's series on Euthanasia is available on the Archdiocesan website: archregina.sk.ca/blogs/31427/3945/2016/6/christian-approach-death-and-dying

HOPE Floats

Serving in Health Care as People of Faith

The Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan 73rd Annual Convention at the Heritage Inn, Moose Jaw on October 20 - 21, 2016. Keynote Speakers: **Dr. David Kuhl**, will help us to reflect on ways in which healthcare professionals can bring hope to the relationships in which they serve while meeting the challenges of an increasingly complex healthcare system; **Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie**, will provide a theological reflection on hope, exploring its deeper origins and the role it plays in our lives; **Mark Pickup**, who has advanced multiple sclerosis and is wheelchair dependent, share the story of his journey from despair to hope as he found meaning through his Christian faith. Inspirational speaker, comedian **Phil Callaway**, will help us to discover how to bring laughter to life and to the work place. A brainstorming session, World Café, to hear your hopes for your facilities, your parishes and anywhere else you may find yourself continuing the healing ministry of Christ.

Parish Leadership Retreat

Breathe Deep: Letting the Spirit In to Lead Us All

Our Lady of Peace Parish, 425 Broad St. North, on Saturday, September 17th, 2016. Attention to Pastoral & Finance Council Members, committee members, spouses and all interested - a pot-luck lunch at noon followed by a Parish Leadership Retreat. Leah Perrault, nationally sought-after speaker and columnist writer in the Prairie Messenger will facilitate. Nominal Charge. . Call 543-5355 for more information.

Regina Catholic School Division Opening Mass

Resurrection Parish, Tuesday, August 30, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. Please join all current employees of Regina Catholic Schools in this wonderful celebration. Special reserved seating for all former employees will be provided behind the sanctuary. Catholic Education Services.

Thinking about Separation or Divorce?

Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health and re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. For confidential information about or to register for the September 16-18, 2016 weekend in Saskatoon, call Wendy or Fritz at (306) 652-7155 or email retrouvaille@sasktel.net