

# WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27 & 28, 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

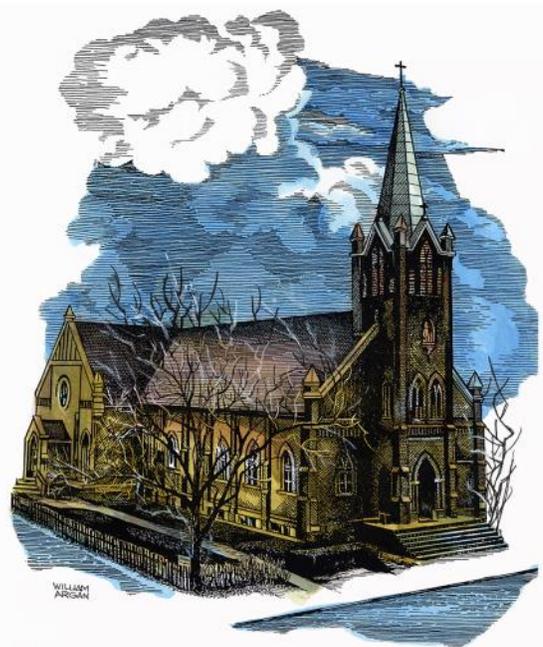
Tuesday to Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### 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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Jesus calls for humility in today's Gospel from Luke. Accepting Jesus' call to humility is difficult. Our culture stresses the importance of having more, defining the worth of a person by money or fame. Jesus defines success by the humility in our heart. Those of humble heart know that all we are and all we have are God's gift.

**Saturday, August 27, 2016: 5:10 p.m.**

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

**Community Leader:** Rosie Ongsu

**Lectors:** Helen Ball, Christn Katas

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Loretta Elford,  
Gail Runge, Mary Wadsworth

**Hospitality:** Sheryl Sayat

**Sunday, August 28, 2016: 10:00 a.m.**

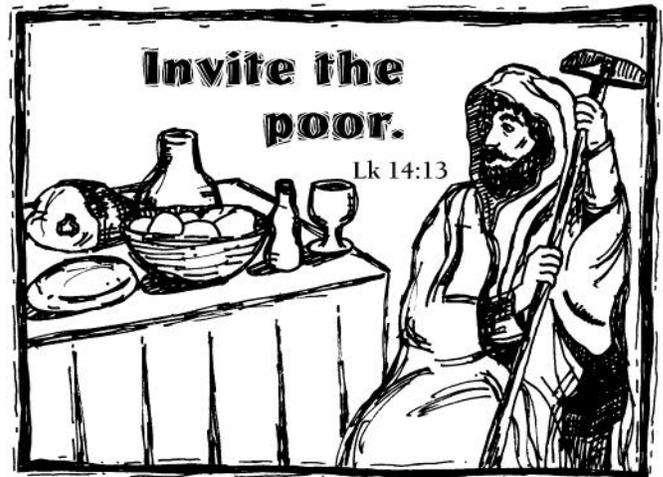
**Altar Servers:** Arnel Urbiztondo,  
Patrick Ravasco, Melchoir Andes

**Community Leader:**

**Lectors :** Reuben Mercado

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Newton Miranda,  
Pete Escanlar, Urbis Urbistondo

**Hospitality:** Allan Ngui, Art Vanderzlam



## GRATITUDE & PRAYERS FOR OUR BENEFACTORS

*Special Building Fund donations to Blessed Sacrament Parish*

From the South Saskatchewan Community Fund for repairs & renovations:	<b>\$94,618.10</b>
In Memory of Henry & Eva Hueser for new stained glass rose window LED lighting, restoration of stained glass window openers, communion rails and confessional:	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
From Loretta & Stewart Elford for restoration of the bell tower, so bells can be reinstalled:	<b>\$5,500.00</b>
From Dr. Vernon & Mrs. Jane Gebhardt for building fund:	<b>\$3,500.00</b>
From Elizabeth Heidt, for building fund:	<b>\$2,000.00</b>
From Dr. Tom & Mrs. Lorraine Vincent for building fund:	<b>\$1,620.00</b>
From Patricia Sinclair for building fund:	<b>\$1,250.00</b>
From Paz Ongsu for building fund:	<b>\$1,015.00</b>
From Auriole Jelinski for building fund:	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
From Cecile Jelinski for building fund:	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
From Della Milleker for building fund:	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
From Larry Ongsu for building fund:	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
From Jovita R. Ongsu for building fund:	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
From Rosita R. Ongsu for building fund:	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
From George Picray for building fund:	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
From Tim Wicijowski for building fund:	<b>\$1,000.00</b>

## 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*

*Rectory Sewer Line Replacement*

*Church New Structural Skeleton for Bells*

*Church & Rectory Roof Replacement*

*Church Ceiling Repair & Painting*

*Church Basement Mechanical Design*

*Church Basement Small-Commercial Kitchen*

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

# Rediscover Mercy - Instruct The Ignorant

*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. The spiritual works of mercy are designed to meet the spiritual needs of others: Instruct The Ignorant, Counsel The Doubtful, Admonish The Sinner, Bear Wrongs Patiently, Forgive Offences Willingly, Comfort The Afflicted, Pray For The Living and The Dead.

What does it mean to share your story? What if my story isn't very exciting? It's not always about the depth of our knowledge of the Catholic faith. Instructing the ignorant is about reaching people's hearts. Sometimes to open someone's heart to instruction, what we really need to do first is share our story. No one can argue with your testimony.

From our point of view, life isn't all that exciting. It's easier for us to reach people's hearts by listening to them talk about their pain and then offering ways to solve their problem—without necessarily referencing our personal experiences. We have been learning about the beauty of the Catholic faith our entire life, and it holds all the answers. But people need deeply personal answers to deeply personal questions. There is a difference between saying, "God loves you," and being vulnerable to share the incredible things God has done for you. Which meets the person where they are better?

People need to know that they are not alone. People need love. People need someone who is willing to meet them where they are—not just by acknowledging their pain, but by being willing to walk with them through it and try to better understand their pain. This is where we can share our own stories, to let them know that we share their struggles, that we want to hear about them, and then love them however they need it. We may struggle with sharing our story because it does not have any dramatic journeys into or out of darkness. Have I made bad choices? Yes, but nothing extraordinary. Have I suffered? Yes, but again, nothing I would call extraordinary. But I have failed. I have suffered. I am battling my own demons. I have wrestled with countless questions. I have felt alone, used, rejected, worthless. I have been confused, angry, exhausted. I have felt like I couldn't bear any more. But I have also laughed, and I have loved. I have delighted in the people and the world around me—and in my savior. I have experienced a love that pierces, heals, and transforms. I have been embraced in my deepest pain. And I have been given joy that makes it all seem so small. And so have you.

God is working in your life and in your heart. You can testify to that. How have you struggled? What are the doubts you have faced? How have you experienced the incredible mercy of God? How have you found freedom in the genius of Catholicism? Wherever you are in your journey, you have a story worth telling.

## REFLECTION

**Focus:** Your story can help reach people's hearts.

**Act:** Be vulnerable. If you know someone who is struggling, don't try to give that person all the answers. Give him or her your heart.

**Pray:** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. (Psalm 51: 10, 12)

## Financial Update:



	Collection	Target	Aug 20 & 21 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
	<u>Aug 20 &amp; 21</u>	<u>Aug 20 &amp; 21</u>		
Regular Collection	\$1,389.25	\$2,227.00	(\$837.75)	(\$60,354.48)
Building Fund	\$2,344.00	\$11,272.00	(\$8,928.00)	(\$612,363.78)

**Thank you for your donation!**

## Church Repair Status

Please visit [www.blessedsacramentregina.ca](http://www.blessedsacramentregina.ca) for more details.

**Church Floor Underpinning & Replacement Project:** Please pray for Caltec Flooring so that the remainder of the new church floor tiles and the new sanctuary carpet will be installed in time for Blessed Sacrament's first wedding scheduled in the middle of October.



## The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation Helps

Almost 1 year ago, Blessed Sacrament Church began a very necessary, but very complicated, restoration project. Required repairs and renovations were more extensive than first anticipated, although it is a blessing that structural deficiencies were discovered while repair was still possible! The expenses, however, were likewise greater than anticipated. We needed help and turned to the *South Saskatchewan Community Foundation* (SSCF).

The *South Saskatchewan Community Foundation* graciously offered Blessed Sacrament a **large matching grant**, which has made it possible for our project to continue. This vital gift was provided through the Anonymous Donor Fund of the SSCF.

The donors to the Anonymous Donor Fund recognize Blessed Sacrament Parish as an important inner city faith community serving the spiritual and social needs of its increasing new Canadian congregation. They are also aware of its role in providing daily Mass to down town workers, to those visiting our city, and staying in down town hotels. The donors acknowledge the church's significant historical importance and are anxious to preserve it as heritage property.

It is difficult to convey adequately our gratitude to the *South Saskatchewan Community Foundation* and to the Anonymous Donor Fund in particular for this large and generous gift. The work of repairing, restoring, and renovating Blessed Sacrament Parish would simply not have been possible without their financial help.

The *South Saskatchewan Community Foundation* is a public foundation serving the people of South Saskatchewan. The foundation builds permanently endowed charitable funds for the changing needs and opportunities of the community and provides grants to eligible charitable organizations in culture, health, education, environment, recreation, and social services sectors.

Should you be interested in further information about the *South Saskatchewan Community Foundation* and their important philanthropic and community work, you are encouraged to visit their website at [www.sscf.ca](http://www.sscf.ca)

### **Blessed Sacrament Steak Night Fundraiser**

Tuesday August 30 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm The Tap  
Brew Pub and Eatery  
4245 Rochdale Blvd., Regina

We are a group of people who appreciate being able to attend weekday Mass at Blessed Sacrament and would like to support them during their renovations. If you feel the same or belong to Blessed Sacrament Parish, please join us for this steak night fundraiser on Tuesday August 30<sup>th</sup> ! Tickets cost \$25.00 and include: steak, baked potato, salad and a pint of house draft. There will also be silent auction/raffle items, door prizes and more! All proceeds go to Blessed Sacrament Parish renovations. Deadline to purchase tickets: Aug 27 , 2016.

For tickets or to make a donation contact:  
Jeanine at 306-535-3290, Terry at 306-565-8814 or  
e-mail: [blessedsacramentsteaknight@hotmail.com](mailto:blessedsacramentsteaknight@hotmail.com)

### **Regina Catholic School Division Opening Mass**

Resurrection Parish, Tuesday, August 30, 8:30 a.m.  
Catholic Education Services.

### **Blessed Sacrament Parish**

**Ministry Schedule** for September is available for pick-up at the main entrance of St. Mary's Church or download from our Parish website.

**Volunteer Ministry** positions are available at Blessed Sacrament: Lectors, Greeters, Communion Ministers, Rosary Leaders. Training will be provided to help you feel comfortable.

### **Development and Peace launches its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations**

Development and Peace seized the moment of having so many of its members, partners, networks and friends at the WSF to launch its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, which will run from fall 2016 to fall 2017. Over 400 people gathered to celebrate the rich history of the organization over the last 50 years and exchange memories on the campaigns and partnerships that took place during that period.