

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 10 & 11, 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

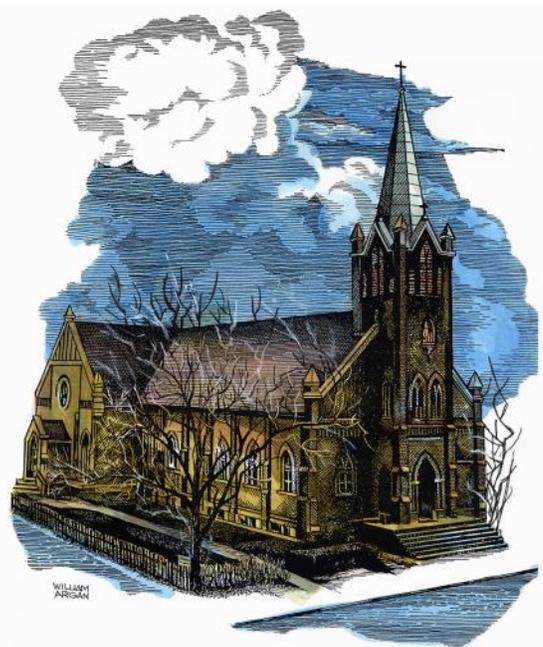
Tuesday to Friday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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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Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that were lost. Today's Gospel reading focuses on the parables of things that are lost - a lost sheep, a lost coin and a lost son. To understand these parables is to focus on being found. God is relentless in seeking to restore what is lost to the place it belongs. It is no surprise that this Gospel begins by saying that Jesus spent his time with sinners and tax collectors. Jesus restored them to their rightful place. Where do we rightfully belong?

Saturday, September 10, 2016: 5:10 p.m.

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas, Jovan Juancito

Community Leader: Rosie Ongsu

Lectors: Marvella Lovely, Helen Ball

Eucharistic Ministers: Loretta Elford,
Ernesta Pagaduan, Larry Ongsu

Hospitality: Sheryl Sayat, Christn Katas

Sunday, September 11, 2016: 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Angela & Andrea Paz

Community Leader: Betty Kuntz

Lectors : Gloria Rivero, Dennis Nacional

Eucharistic Ministers: Gail Runge, Maria Alarcon

Hospitality: Sharon Greer, Inge Ciarciaglin,
Lancy Cheng



GRATITUDE & PRAYERS FOR OUR BENEFACTORS

Special Building Fund donations to Blessed Sacrament Parish

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation: **\$187,978.10**

In Memory of Henry & Eva Hueser: **\$10,000.00**

Loretta & Steward Elford: **\$5,500.00**

Friends of Blessed Sacrament: **\$3,557.00**

Dr. Vernon & Mrs. Jane Gebhardt: **\$3,500.00**

Elizabeth Heidt,: **\$2,000.00**

Dr. Tom & Mrs. Lorraine Vincent: **\$2,080.00**

Dorothy Lloyd: **\$1,500.00**

Patricia Sinclair: **\$1,250.00**

Jovita R. Ongsu: **\$1,005.00**

Peter & Joan Fellingner: **\$1,000.00**

Paz Ongsu: **\$1,025.00**

Auriole Jelinski: **\$1,000.00**

Rosita R. Ongsu: **\$1,000.00**

Cecile Jelinski: **\$1,000.00**

Larry Ongsu: **\$1,000.00**

Dr. David & Mrs. Barbara McCutcheon: **\$1,075.00**

George Picray: **\$1,000.00**

Della Milleker: **\$1,000.00**

Tim Wicijowski: **\$1,000.00**

REPAIR-RESTORATION-RENOVATION PROJECTS NEEDING YOUR DONATIONS

Church Floor & Carpet Replacement

Rectory Sewer Line Replacement

Church Sound System Replacement

Church New Structural Skeleton for Bells

Church Roof Structural Repairs

Church & Rectory Roof Replacement

Church Attic Insulation Replacement

Church Ceiling Repair & Painting

Church Basement Floor Replacement

Church Basement Mechanical Design

Church Basement Hall & Washrooms

Church Basement Small-Commercial Kitchen

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

Rediscover Mercy - Counsel The Doubtful

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.

When it comes to counseling the doubtful, it's hard to know how to begin. If you have ever tried to help someone struggling with doubt, then you know how challenging it can be. The first step is to move away from viewing doubt as a problem that you are meant to fix. Being an instrument of God's mercy is, by its very nature, not about fixing—it's about healing. By not viewing doubt (or the person) as a problem to be fixed, you can encourage the afflicted person to explore the meaning behind their doubt. Doubt, after all, isn't always a bad thing. It can be the driving force behind an honest pursuit of truth. (Just ask any convert!)

The second step is to recognize that counseling the doubtful doesn't always begin with great advice. Sometimes, engaging in the "ministry of presence" is the best way to prepare a heart to receive the counsel they need. Let me explain this, because I think it is a revolutionary point.

When I was in high school, my twin sister received some awful news. After a decade of complete dedication to her craft as a ballerina—I am talking three hours of practice every day, six days a week, for 10 years—she was told she had scoliosis. In the snap of a finger, her dancing career was over. The news devastated her. Her entire world seemed to be crumbling around her. I remember one night going in to our shared bathroom to brush my teeth. I could hear her weeping in her room. I went inside and saw her sitting on the floor with her head against her closet, sobbing. I sat down next to her and put my arm around her. For about 20 minutes she just cried in my arms. When she settled down we both got up, hugged, and said goodnight.

My sister was in a state where she seriously doubted whether or not everything would be ok. How do you convince someone otherwise? How can you provide counsel for this kind of doubt? Sometimes, at first, the doubter isn't ready for words. Before she could start dreaming again, my sister needed to be reminded that she was loved simply for who she is and not because of what she does. Don't we all need that reminder every once in a while? In the weeks that followed, she was ready to hear the counsel that truly healed her doubting heart. So remember, even if you have the perfect words, check to see if the person's heart is ready to truly hear those words.

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Focus: Before counseling the doubtful, ask yourself two questions: Am I trying to fix a problem? Is their heart ready to hear the words that need to be said?

Act: Make a concrete plan to show up for someone who needs you.

Pray: May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise, and love. It is there for each and every one of us. (Saint Therese of Liseux, Story of a Soul)

Financial Update:



		Sept 3 & 4		Jan 1– Dec 31	
		Collection	Target	Over (Short)	Over (Short)
		<u>Sept 3 & 4</u>	<u>Sept 3 & 4</u>	<u>from Target</u>	<u>from Target</u>
Regular	Collection	\$2,901.80	\$3,603.00	(\$701.20)	(\$62,993.68)
	Building Fund	\$1,592.00	\$18,901.00	(\$17,309.00)	(\$299,421.78)

Thank you for your donation!

Church Repair Status

Please visit www.blessedsacramentregina.ca for more details.

Church Floor Underpinning & Replacement Project: This week Caltec Flooring removed the old red carpet and its disintegrated underlay from the sanctuary. They have installed a new sub floor in the lower sanctuary level because the original 1913 tongue and groove floor has weakened with 24" stud centers. New underlay is being installed. Breda Brothers have been commissioned to repair dmanaged pews and kneelers which separated during the moving process.

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

Blessed Sacrament Caretaker Position

Candidates for this position should have a Grade 12 education; have/obtain a Fireman's certificate; have a Caretaker Technician Certificate or equivalent experience to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of cleaning/maintenance processes, products and equipment. The successful candidate shall choose their own flexible time (overtime will not be paid) required to accomplish the job duties and responsibilities. The successful candidate will enter into an employee work performance contract to clean and maintain the parish facilities and grounds, as well as comply with the Archdiocese of Regina's Protocols for Responsible Parish Ministry. The position benefits includes three weeks of vacation, dental and disability, as well as a matching employer pension contribution. Please submit your resume with references on or before September 23, 2016 to Rev. Barry J. Anwender, Pastor Blessed Sacrament Parish 2049 Scarth Street. Regina SK. S4P 2H5.

Little Flower Parish

Men's Club Breakfast

Sunday, September 25, 2016

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Little Flower Auditorium
420 College Ave. (use Edgar St. entrance). Tickets are available at the door. No advance tickets will be sold. Ticket Price: Adults - \$7.50, children (12 and under) \$5.00.

The Archdiocese of Regina

Lay Formation Program

Mission-Discipleship-Service-Faith

We are currently accepting applications for our Fall intake. We provide a working knowledge of particular areas of service; native ministry, ministry to the sick, dying and bereaved, youth ministry, parish government, sacramental preparations and the RCIA. We provide the tools and the guidance to speak confidently about the church, faith and Jesus Christ in the home, the parish and the world. For more information or to register, please contact our Program Coordinator, Eric Gurash at (306) 325-1651 ext 211 or email egurash@archregina.sk.ca