

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14 & 15, 2017

Sunday Liturgy

Saturdays: 5:10 p.m.

Sundays: 10:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: 1 hr. prior to Mass

Reconciliation: Until 20 min. before Mass

Weekday Liturgy

Monday to Friday: 12:05 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: 11:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: 11:30 - 11:55 a.m.

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

Caretaker: Simon Hagos

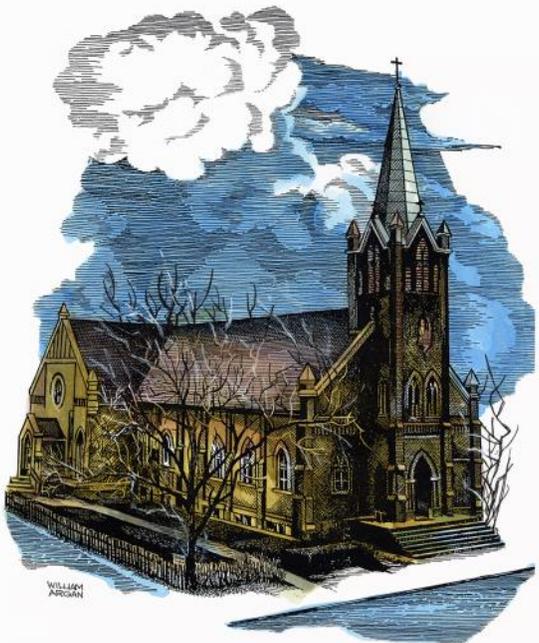


Jesus and the Beloved disciple at the Last Supper



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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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In the Gospel reading of today, John the Baptist declares that Jesus “is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!” Is our response to that one of openness? Do we truly believe that Jesus is our Savior? As followers of Jesus, do we hear God’s voice calling us to be compassionate and generous to the poor, and in solidarity with the oppressed?

Saturday, January 14, 2016: 5:10 p.m.

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas, Jovan Juancito

Community Leader: Rosie Ongsu

Lectors: Loretta Elford, James Sawka

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Wadsworth, Larry Ongsu,
Helen Ball

Hospitality: Jovita Ongsu, Paz Ongsu

Sunday, January 15, 2017: 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Vince Siapno, Angela & Andrea Paz

Community Leader: Daniel Nagrampa

Lectors : Janelle Nagrampa, Abby Siapno

Eucharistic Ministers: Gloria Rivero, Maria Alarcon,
Adolfo Alvarez

Hospitality: Sharon Greer, Dolores Dyck



Weekday Mass Intentions Celebrated at 12:05 p.m.

- Monday,** Jan 16: John Paul Weinberger — Repose of the Soul,
Requested by Agnes Weinberger
- Tuesday,** Jan 17: Almeta McGeady & Family — Repose of the Soul,
Requested by Mary Wadsworth
- Wednesday,** Jan 18: Eleanor Schaefer — Repose of the Soul,
Requested by Ann
- Thursday,** Jan 19: Phil Zucht — Repose of the Soul,
Requested by Mary Ann Zucht
- Friday,** Jan 20: Jose Ongsu — Repose of the Soul,
Requested by the Ongsu Family
- Saturday,** Jan 21: Suzy & Siegfried Severino,
Requested by Dr Modesto Escanlar

GRATITUDE & PRAYERS FOR OUR BENEFACTORS

Special Building Fund donations to Blessed Sacrament Parish

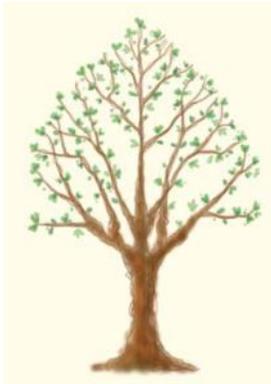
Stewart & Loretta Elford \$5,000.00

Ernest & Jean Anderson \$1,800.00

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

LIVING, SUFFERING AND DYING... *what for?*

Catholic Organization for Life and Family - Part I



*“The enigma of pain and death, which outside the Gospel crushes us, is illuminated through Christ and in Christ.”
- Pope John Paul II*

As Pope John Paul II said, human suffering is a mystery. Sooner or later, all families experience it in the midst of life. It is either physical, psychological or spiritual. It always restrains our activities, it often limits our autonomy, and it sometimes seems to diminish our dignity. When it lasts too long and intensifies, some would think of ending life, which can appear to be a mere burden. Suicide, euthanasia and assisted suicide can then become attractive exit doors.

Yet Christians still maintain that life – daily life, with its joys and its sorrows – is a gift from God, given with love and kindness... Towards the end of his life and already weakened by illness, Paul-Émile Cardinal Léger, former Archbishop of Montreal, exclaimed while talking about nursing homes for the elderly: “So much unused suffering!” Useless? No. Unused...

Can suffering be useful? The discovery that it can be allows men and women to face suffering with courage and perseverance, knowing that they are achieving something for the Kingdom of God.

Where to find happiness

Since suffering and illness appear in the normal course of every human life, the question of their significance comes up in thinking about the meaning of life. Inevitably, the day comes when each person wonders: “Where do I come from? What is the purpose of my life? Why am I suffering? Where am I going? What is there after death?”

Christians find answers to these questions in the Gospel. It is there that they understand they are not the masters, but the stewards of their life. It is there that Christ nourishes their hope in the Resurrection and eternal life. This hope we must urgently share again with our families, friends and work colleagues, because all, more or less consciously, are searching for a purpose in their life. They seek happiness. No doubt about it: all of humanity needs Christ and his message of love, even if the world often seems indifferent to him.



Financial Update:

	Collection Jan 7 & 8	Target Jan 7 & 8	Jan 7 & 8 Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
Regular Collection	\$2,096.85	\$2,603.00	(\$506.15)	(\$1,886.05)
Building Fund	\$2,080.00	\$338.00	\$1,742.00	\$6,724.00

Thank you for your donation!

These targets are based upon an estimate for 2017 expenses. They will be revised, as soon as the parish finance council reviews and formally approves the 2017 operating and construction budget.

Attention Please

Our new Entrance Matts have been damaged and new flooring has been harmed by individual(s) wearing cleats on their footwear. Cleats are meant to be used outdoors on sidewalks and streets. All footwear with cleats are prohibited inside the Lord's House.

Blessed Sacrament Parish

2017 Collection Envelopes are available for pick up at the main entrance of the church.

Parish Registration Forms for new parishioners are available at the main entrance of the Church.

Prayer of Petition for the formation of the diaconates and for the seminarians, that God would bless them as they prepare to serve the people of God in our Archdiocese, we pray to the Lord.

TF16.1: Special Christmas Edition

Archbishop Donald Bolen's Christmas Homily

This week we're pleased to offer you a special, bonus, Christmas episode of Thinking Faith! We know you're all getting back to work and trying to find your way into some sort of routine in these first dark, cold days of January and with the Christmas liturgical season wrapping up soon, we thought we would offer you one, final Christmas present in the form of our Archbishop's Don Bolen's Christmas Homily delivered at Midnight Mass on December 24, 2016, at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Regina. We hope you enjoy this special broadcast and would like to take this time to wish you a final, blessed and Merry Christmas and a happy New Year from every at the Archdiocese of Regina!

Link: <http://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/tf161-special-christmas-edition-archbishop-donald-bolens-christmas-homily>



In loving memory of Archbishop Daniel Bohan

This coming Sunday, January 15th, 2017 marks the anniversary of the death of our beloved Archbishop Daniel Bohan one year ago. Let us lift him up in prayer on this date and ask God to hold him tenderly in his care.

World Day of the Sick 2017

“Amazement at what God has accomplished: The Almighty has done Great things for me...” Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017: February 11th is World Day of the Sick, an observation introduced by Saint Pope John Paul II in 1992. We take to heart Jesus’ special attention to the poor and suffering – and see ourselves as His hands, ministering to those who are ill with the same love and compassion.

Brett Salkeld’s Blog: sASK-a-theologian. features the third of a three part series on raising kids Catholic and some of the challenges parents face in our culture today. <https://archregina.sk.ca/blogs/31427>

Regina Development & Peace Share Lent

The 2017 Share Lent workshop and theme is “Women at the Heart of Change”. What does this mean in development work? Please join us in exploring this theme and preparing for the Share Lent campaign. Everyone is welcome! Jan. 25th, 7 to 9:30 pm at Holy Child Parish, 2636 7th Ave E, Regina. For further information, please call Marian (306.789.8276) or regional office (306.937.7675).

Bazaar at Our Lady of Peace Parish

425 Broad St. N. , on Sunday, January 22nd, 2017 from noon to 6:00 p.m. Fish pond, bingo, bake table, parade of prizes (new items please), grocery hampers, raffles, face painting, silent auction, and wonderful food. Come & enjoy!

Week of Prayer For Christian Unity

The 2017 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be taking place the week of January 18-25, 2017. The theme is: “Reconciliation. The Love of Christ compels us”. Germany today is home to people of many different cultural backgrounds and beliefs. Of the 81 million inhabitants, 50 million are Christian. About one third are part of the (Protestant) Evangelical Church in Germany (EKD), one third are Roman Catholic and just under one third do not adhere to any faith. 1.7% of the population are Orthodox Christians, another 1.8% are members of one of the free churches, 4.9% are Muslim, and 1% are Jewish.