

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Second Sunday of Advent

December 9 & 10, 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

No Mass on Stat Holidays

Monday to Friday: Suspended - Renovations

Office Hours

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

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Barry J. Anwender

Office Manager (Pt): Valerie Perras

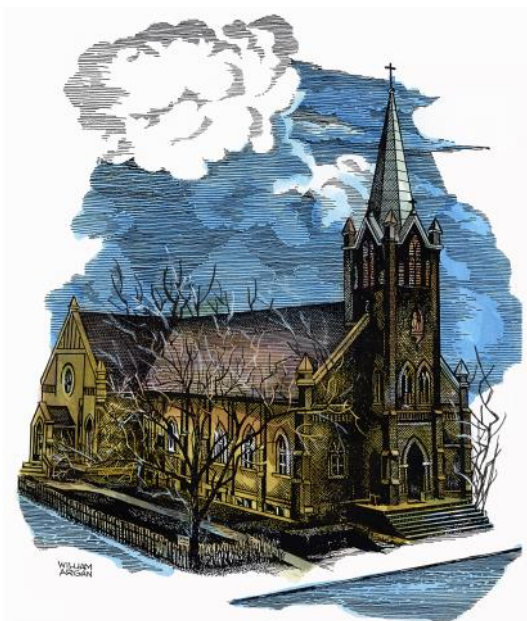
Music Director: Gaétan Hammond

Caretaker: Simon Hagos



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106.1 MHz



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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I am not worthy to carry his sandals. In the readings of today, we are called to prepare for the way of the Lord. 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make His paths straight.' John the Baptist invited people to prepare for the coming of God by acknowledging their sins and asking forgiveness. Jesus completed what John began; he offered a baptism in the Holy Spirit for the forgiveness of sins and the start of a new era of peace. Let us open our hearts in welcome for that gift of the Spirit.

Saturday, December 9, 2017: 5:10 p.m.

Altar Servers: Cristo Katas, Timothy Diokno,
Patrick Diokno

Community Leader: Loretta Elford

Lectors: Lorraine Vincent, Pearl Harvey

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Wadsworth,
Dolly Dyck, Helen Ball

Hospitality: Ernesta Pagaduan, Dolly Dyck

Sunday, December 10, 2017: 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Vince Siapno, Patrick Ravasco,
Melchoir Andes

Community Leader: Wendy Vaughn

Lectors: Gloria Rivero, John Harvey Nacional

Eucharistic Ministers: Lancy Cheng,
Gail Runge, Maria Alarcon

Hospitality: Sharon Greer, Lancy Cheng



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

No Weekday Masses

Weekend Mass Intentions Celebrated at 5:10 p.m.

Saturday, Dec 16: Sick, Elderly, Disabled & Shut-Ins
Requested by a Parishioner



Noon Mass Suspended until Monday, December 18th as the General Contractor works to close up the opened floors and walls in the main entrance of the church, the choir loft and bell tower. Thank you for your understanding and patience. The parish office will continue to remain open during the regular scheduled days and times: Tuesday to Friday, 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.



Stewardship Bulletin Bit

“Prepare the way of the Lord...” - Mark 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, does just that – it puts us on the path to holiness and it invites others to be holy, too.

Project Progress Reports

Weekend Masses Continue at Regular Times
 Saturday Evening 5:10pm & Sunday Morning 10:00am

Weekday Mass Suspended

The Bell-Tower Structural Skeleton steel beam over the main door is now fully installed. The general contractor has begun to close up the opened floors and walls in the main entrance of the church, the choir loft and bell tower. **Weekday noon Mass remains suspended until Monday, December 18th.** The three tower bells will be installed in the spring of 2018 when the weather warms up.

Roof Replacement Project Update

As you can see, the roof replacement project is far from completed. There is no flashing installed on the northeast transept valley, the bell tower, the church chimney and north entrance, no roof cap flashing on any of the completed roof sections. The project began on August 11, 2017. There continue to be perfect roofing weather days and weeks when no work is taking place. The remaining shingles on the link-roof between the church rectory and the south side of the church will now need to wait until next spring. Our general contractor has helped to mitigate water damage in the unfinished roofing areas. The roofing contractor, Adam Stettner of Pro-Fit Exteriors is missing in action and working at other winter job sites.

GRATITUDE & PRAYERS FOR OUR BENEFACTORS

Special 2017 Building Fund donations to Blessed Sacrament Parish

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation \$80,433.75	
Stewart & Loretta Elford \$8,000	Colleen Sich \$1,690
Dr. Vernon & Mrs. Gebhardt \$5,700	Helen Ball \$1,550
Bilmar Holdings Ltd. \$5,000	Enrico Cabignon \$1,500
Joseph Chipeur \$5,000	George Picray \$1,500
Ernest & Jean Anderson \$5,000	Juliet Budhrani \$1,260
Peter & Cecilia Managhan \$3,000	David McCutcheon \$1,200
Elizabeth Heidt \$3,000	Marcella Chamberlain \$1,100
Estate of Rose Ignatescu \$2,500	Therese Labbie \$1,100
Dr. Tom & Mrs. Vincent \$3,000	Eileen Gerein \$1,200
Ernesta Pagaduan \$2,000	Gabriel Metz \$1,000
Auriole Jelinski \$2,000	Rose Schmalz \$1,000
Cecile Jelinski \$2,000	Gail Runge \$1,000

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

If you do not want your name published as a good steward to promote parish building fund contributions, then please direct your donations to the parish operating fund and its shortfall.

Financial Update:

	Collection <u>Dec 2/Dec 3</u>	Target <u>Dec 2/Dec 3</u>	<u>Dec 2/Dec 3</u> Over (Short) from Target	Jan 1– Dec 31 Over (Short) from Target
Operating Fund	\$2,610.70	\$5,063.00	(\$2,452.30)	(\$43,083.03)
Building Fund	\$2,472.00	\$12,778.00	(\$10,306.00)	(\$164,221.25)
Marion Centre	\$290.00			\$6,044.00
Bishop's Fall Appeal	\$25.00	\$21,952.00		\$15,495.00



Thank you for your donation!

The operating and building fund targets are based upon an estimate of our 2017 expenses, as well as the particular week donations from the previous year.

Blessed Sacrament Parish

2018 Collection Envelopes are available for pick up at the main entrance of the church. 2018 Collection Envelopes start on January 1, 2018.

Sacrament of the Sick will be offered at the 3rd Sunday, December 16 & 17, 2017 of Advent Masses. This anointing with the Oil of the Sick blessed by Archbishop Daniel Bolen at the annual Chrism Mass is provided to individuals who are suffering with an infirmity, long term illness or are experiencing a need for healing and strength: be it physical, spiritual, emotional or psychological.

Christmas & New Year Masses:

Christmas Eve	Sunday	Dec 24@7:00pm
Christmas Day	Monday	Dec 24@10:00am
New Year's Eve	Sunday	Dec 31@No Mass
New Year's Day	Monday	Jan 1@10:00am

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

Ministry Schedules for December are available for pick-up at the entrance of the Church or download from our Parish website.

Volunteer Ministry positions are available at Blessed Sacrament: Altar Servers, Greeters, Communion Ministers. Training will be provided to help you feel comfortable.

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.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Office will be closed between Christmas December 24, 2017 and the New Year until Tuesday, January 2, 2018, For emergencies, please leave a message on the answering machine.

Blessed Sacrament

Weekly Rosary/Prayer Group

Every Wednesday from 6:30 - 7:30 pm, the Rosary and a variety of other prayers are recited with some time for personal reflection. To enter the Church use the Side Entrance (north door) as the Scarth Street Entrance will not be opened. Please join the intercessory prayers for the world and their needs.



Paint the Nativity

Date: Friday, December 15, 2017
Location: Holy Rosary Parish Hall,
2140 Cameron Street, Regina
Time: Doors open 6:30 pm;
painting starts at 7 pm

Cost: \$40 - everything supplied except your own paint shirt. Advance tickets only call Jo-Anne at 306-586-6776. Paint the reason for the season!

Come out in the true spirit of Christmas. Create your own nativity painting on canvas with step-by-step instruction by a local artist. Enjoy great company, a glass of wine and some appetizers while creating your very own masterpiece! Open to all ages. This fundraiser is Hosted by Panama 2019 World Youth Day Pilgrims. Thank you. worldyouthday.com/about-wyd/wyd-history

Thinking Faith! TF64: We've Got Mail!

Answering Your Questions

About Books and Final Judgment

Mailbag episodes are one of our favorites to do. There's something really engaging and relational about engaging topics that an active listener has sent in. This week Eric and Brett take a look at a few of the emails they've received, answer a couple of quick ones, plan for future shows and then jump into one listener's questions about the last days and what the heck is up with Final Judgement?

The Holy Childhood Association

Designed for Catholic Children so they can help other children around the World. Use (download) the attached Advent calendar for your child. www.missionsocieties.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/08Advent-Calendar-2017.pdf

Western Canadian Association of Catholic Youth Ministers

Every year, the Western Canadian Association of Catholic Youth Ministers (WCACYM) hosts a winter gathering which is meant to provide an opportunity for renewal and encouragement as well as some professional development for all those involved in ministering to young people (youth ministers, campus ministry, priests, religious, catechists, volunteers, teachers, parents) This year Regina has the privilege of hosting this exciting event on Jan. 19-21. Further details can be found at www.wcacym.ca We would be pleased and honored to have you join us!