## WELCOME TO

## **BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH**

## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

## World Day of the Poor

November 17 & 18, 2018

#### **Sunday Liturgy**

Saturdays: Mass 5:10 p.m. Sundays: Mass 10:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: 1 hr. prior to Mass Reconciliation: Until 20 min. before Mass

Weekday Liturgy

Monday to Friday: No Noon Mass

Fr. Barry on Vacation

**Office Hours** 

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Parish Staff** 

Pastor: Rev. Barry J. Anwender Office Manager (Pt): Valerie Perras Music Director: Gaétan Hammond

Caretaker: Simon Hagos



*Jesus & The Beloved Disciple at the Last Supper* 

assistive listening 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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My words will not pass away. In today's Gospel reading, there are two important lessons. First, we know that there will be an end time. Second, we know that the wise will be able to read the signs of the end because they remain alert. In the natural order of things, we know the signs of the seasons. The same should be true in our spiritual lives. We can be ready for Jesus' return by staying alert for the signs.

Saturday, November 17, 2018: 5:10 p.m.

Altar Servers: Timothy Diokno, Patrick Diokno

Community Leader: Lorraine Vincent Lectors: Joe Clory, Pearl Harvey

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Wadsworth, Larry Ongsu,

Gail Runge

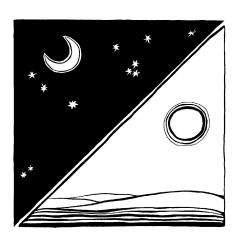
Hospitality: Kay Luttmer, Jeannette Luttmer

Sunday, November 18, 2018: 10:00 a.m.
Altar Servers: Vince Siapno, Andrea Paz
Community Leader: Daniel Nagrampa
Lectors: Janelle Nagrampa, Abby Siapno

Eucharistic Ministers: Kim Lovely, Maria Alarcon,

Dennis Nacional

Hospitality: Sharon Greer



#### **No Weekday Mass Intentions**

**Mon - Fri,** Nov 19 - Dec 7: No Weekday Masses

Fr. Barry is on vacation.

Fr. Anthony Dizy will be celebrating the Weekend Masses.

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

**Saturday**, Nov 24: Prayers for Shirley Escanlar's fast Recovery, Requested by the Escanlar Family

F)	inancial Update:	Nov 10 & 11	Nov 10 & 11	Nov 10 & 11	Jan I– Dec 31
		Collection	Target	Over (Short) from Target	Over (Short) from Target
	Regular	\$1,891.95	\$2,433.00	(\$541.05)	(\$41,650.20)
	<b>Building Fund</b>	\$325.25	\$488.00	(\$162.75)	\$42,437.04
	Bishops Appeal	\$225.00	\$19,078.00	(\$9,535.00)	\$9,543.00

#### Thank you for your donation!

The operating and building fund targets are based upon an estimate of our 2018 budgeted expenses, as well as the particular week donations from the previous year. Our 2018 repair projects started in September. These outside projects are now suspended due to the early winter weather. The planned and approved interior projects will occur during the winter months as contractors ae available.

## The Eucharist: "It is the Lord!"

Most Rev. Thomas Christopher Collins
Past Archbishop of Edmonton, Currently Cardinal of Canada
Part 4 - Retreat given at St. Joseph's Seminary, Edmonton

#### 7. The Eucharist is an invitation to Mission

We are given the Eucharist for a purpose, that we may be perfected as disciples of Jesus. That leads us, strengthened through our contact with the source of our life in Christ, to be engaged effectively in our mission of service. Action must flow out of adoration. We do not cling to the Lord, but are sent out on our mission, which we received at Baptism.

Throughout our life, we constantly return to be guided by the Word of God, and to be given new life by the Eucharist. It is noteworthy that in the Gospel of John, at the point in the description of the Last Supper where we would expect a reference to the words of institution ("This is my body' "This is my blood."), the evangelist instead reminds us that Jesus gave us an example of humble service: the washing of feet (John 13: 1□20). That is intentional. Practical service of others is the way in which we show that we truly appreciate the Lord whom we receive in Holy Communion.

#### **III: Preparation for the Eucharist**

When people say, "I don't get anything out of Mass", the obvious question is: "What are you putting into your preparation for Mass?" The Eucharist is the source and summit of our life in Christ. Each of us needs to prepare carefully, especially for the Sunday Eucharist.

How should we prepare for Mass? The most important way to do that is by living as faithful disciples of Jesus, day by day. We ask God's forgiveness for our sins, and regularly re-ceive the liberating graces of the sacrament of Reconciliation. We ask God to help us to grow in a life of virtue, centered on love of God and neighbor. Each day we spend some time in prayer, and seek to live rightly. That is the best way to prepare for Mass.

We also prepare by seriously seeking to understand the wording of the prayers of Mass, and the meaning of the liturgical actions. It is vitally important that we prepare to hear the word of God. One excellent idea is to spend a little time before Mass prayerfully reflecting on the biblical readings of the day (there are many excellent Missals and missalettes available). Those who proclaim the Word of God should take special care to do that. It is good if a parish Bible study group gathers in the preceding week to study the Scriptures that will be heard at the Eucharist. Parishes may wish to print the references to next Sunday's Mass readings (and, in fact, those for the weekdays as well) in the bulletin of the preceding Sunday.

Even if it is not possible to be present at Mass every day, I can prayerfully reflect on the Mass readings of the day, at home. How much time do I spend gazing into a T.V. tube, or a computer screen? To what purpose? Can I find at least 15 minutes every day for the reading of the Word of God, in a spirit of attentive devotion?

If we regularly pray and study the Sacred Scriptures, and especially the Gospels, we will appreciate the Word of God at Mass. An ancient Christian tradition, called Lectio Divina (Sacred Reading), allows us to prayerfully encounter the Lord in the slow, meditative reading of God's Word. In our archdiocese, one form of this takes place at seven in the evening, the first Sunday of the month, from September to June, at St. Joseph's Basilica.

Those who are more publicly engaged in the action of the Mass need to prepare spiritually so that whatever they do is done with loving devotion, whether it is reading, welcoming, leading music, serving at the altar, caring for the children, or acting as the priestly celebrant.

An important aspect of preparation is the way in which we use the time between our arrival in church and the beginning of Mass. We should warmly greet our fellow parishioners, and any visitors, but as we take our places in the church we all need a time for quiet prayer, for reading of the Scripture passages soon to be proclaimed, and for establishing a transition between the busy world of distractions from which we come and the world of special attentiveness to the presence of God. When we leave a superhighway, we need an off ramp on which we can slow down. It is the same thing whenever we enter into conscious awareness of God's presence in prayer. God is always present to us, but we are not always present to God, and so whenever we pray we need to slowdown and prepare our hearts and minds to receive the Lord.



#### **Blessed Sacrament Parish**

**Saint Joseph Sunday Missals** are available for pick-up at the entrance of the Church before Mass at a cost of \$5.00 each.

**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.

#### **Blessed Sacrament 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. Use the Side Entrance (north door) as the Scarth Street Entrance will not be opened. Please join the intercessory prayers for the community.

#### Rebuilding Our House of Bread An Advent Mission

"Francis, go and rebuild my church which, as you see, is falling down." St. Francis, creator of the first nativity scene, set out on a lifelong building project. Holy Rosary Cathedral ,Dec 4, 5, 6 starting at 7:00 pm. ending on Friday, December 7th.

## The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina will gather in joy and thanksgiving for the Ordination of Ricardo Escalante

to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood
On Friday, November 30, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
Holy Rosary Cathedral
3125 - 13th Avenue
A reception will follow, everyone is welcome!
First Mass and Thanksgiving

Saturday, December 1, 2018, 3:00 p.m.

# The Cuernavaca Project Christmas Baking \$35/Tray Contact Debbie at 306-533-2118 or debbiebulych@gmail.com. Order deadline — Nov 25 Tray pick-up — December 1, 5 pm — 8 pm

#### Sacred Heart School - Santa Store

Sacred Heart is hosting their annual Santa Store. If you have items that you would like to donate they can be dropped off at the school up until Dec.3 Contact the school at 306-791-7920.

#### Archbishop's Appeal 2018

Today's readings draw our attention to the final judgment. . "Heaven and Earth will pass away," and "about that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father," Each one of us will stand face-to-face with our creator.

It offers us a great opportunity to reflect on the meaning of our lives. We know that we were not created to live our lives on Earth forever. We were created to live for God, to live in unity with Him. Our lives in heaven will consist of perfect unity with God.

#### As One Who Serves

In the Archdiocese of Regina deacons serve in healthcare contexts, visiting the elderly and infirm, in First Nations communities, in Friends on the Outside, helping former inmates reintegrate with society, working with Catholic Family Services, or working with our Archdiocesan youth camps. One of the great blessings of the diaconate has been the possibility of putting experience and expertise gained in the world of secular education and employment to work for the Church. Might your skill set and experience be something God is calling you to put into service for His people and His Church through the diaconate? To find out more, contact Dr. Brett Salkeld, Archdiocesan Theologian at 306-352-1651, ext. 214.

#### **Bridging Borders**

On Tuesday, November 27 at 7 pm, Campion College Auditorium. as part of the Canadian Jesuits International's Giving Tuesday campaign, Campion will be hosting Father Nawras Sammour, SJ, from Aleppo, Syria, to talk about the ongoing situation in Syria and his work with refugees. For more information contact: Kelly Bourke in Campus Ministry at kelly.bourke@uregina.ca.

## The Joy of Married Love – Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Humanae Vitae

We are pleased to share with you a copy of the CCCB's statement marking the 50th anniversary of the Encyclical Humanæ Vitæ, which fell on 25 July 2018 this year. The text, titled The Joy of Married Love presents an accessible and uplifting style aimed at inspiring and providing encouragement to married couples. archregina.ska.ca