BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



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LENTEN COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

Tuesday, March 19th, 5:10 PM

at Blessed Sacrament Church

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Saturday, March 23rd, 5:10 PM • Sunday, March 24th, 10 AM

> Weekday Eucharist of Holy Week Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 12:05 PM

> Thursday, March 28th 7:00 PM • Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, March 29th 3:00 PM • The Passion of the Lord

Saturday, March 30th 8:00 PM • The Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday, March 31st 10:00 AM • Easter Day Mass

PARISH OFFICE

<u>Tuesday to Thursday</u> • 11:00–2:00 PM Tel: (306) 522-7422 • Email: blessed.sacrament@sasktel.net

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5TH SUNDAY OF LENT TODAY'S MUSIC SATURDAY 5:10 PM • SUNDAY 10 AM

Processional: CBW III # 368 O Cross of Christ

Gloria – JourneySong #226

Responsorial Psalm: CBW III #57 *A pure heart create for me, O God.*

Preparation of Gifts: CBWIII # 369 O Merciful Redeemer

Eucharistic Acclamations: Journey Song #227–232.

Communion Procession: CBWIII # 597D Bread of Life.

Recessional: CBW III # 497 Lord of All Hopefulness

SOLIDARITY SUNDAY

Caritas Canada's *Reaping our Rights* campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada accompanies, supports, and respects our institutional autonomy. It creates a climate of trust –solidarity that generates life opportunities, that accompanies the dreams of women and men, of families, of communities and territories.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Flower offerings envelopes are at both entrances. Please return envelope with donation by March 25th Place in the regular collection boxes/ baskets. Include your name and your intention for your gift of Easter flowers. The names of donors with intention will be posted in church.

DONATIONS FOR FIRE DAMAGE

Q: How does one donate to help the rebuilding process from the fire damage at Blessed Sacrament Parish?

A: If you wish to donate towards the repair of the fire damage to the church, parish offices and rectory, send your contributions by etransfer, check or credit card (see below) and in the memo option indicate "Blessed Sacrament Recovery Fund" (should there be any excess funds, these will be added to the building fund).

Any Donations to Blessed Sacrament Parish can be sent via e-transfer (interac) to: <u>blessed.sacrament@sasktel.net</u>

REGULAR DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

• Donations to Blessed Sacrament Parish can be sent via e-transfer (interac) to: <u>blessed.sacrament@sasktel.net</u>

 Auto-Deposit Forms for regular (e.g. monthly or weekly) donating to Blessed Sacrament Parish are available at the entrance of the church, from parish office or at: https://blessedsacramentregina.ca/ donations/

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION • MARCH

For the New Martyrs:

For those around the world who risk their lives for the Gospel, to inspire the Church with their courage and missionary zeal. NEXT SUNDAY...

Palm Sunday Commemoration

THE OPENING of the Palm Sunday Mass is a vivid expression of public worship. Catholic Churches offer a procession to begin the liturgy, and the faithful are invited to take an active part.

This opening is called "The Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem." The word *commemoration* implies more than a historical lesson. People are to do more than remember. They are to partake in the entry of the Lord.

The commemoration takes one of three different forms. The first is the procession, which begins outside the place where the Mass will be celebrated and moves toward the church. The second form takes place inside the church when an outdoor procession is not possible. Both these forms include the blessing of palm branches and the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. One of these two forms must be used at every parish church. If the first form is used at one Mass, it should not be repeated at other Masses. The second form, however, may be done as often as the parish wishes.

The third form is a simplified beginning that does not include the blessing of branches nor the proclamation of the Gospel of Palm Sunday. Mass begins in the usual way, and the entrance antiphon for the day is the only mention of the triumphal entry into Jerusalem. It is designed for Masses where insufficient number of ministers or a lack of time demands a simpler, shorter service. As long as one Mass includes the first or second form of the commemoration, others may observe the third. However, most Catholics take a strong interest in participating in a procession, which creates a bond among themselves and with their Lord and Christ, who enters as king of their hearts.

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Liturgical Ministry		
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion	March 23 5:10 PM	March 24 10 AM
Eucharistic Minister	Dolly Dyck	Marie Alercon
Community Leader	Rosita Ongsu	KCs
S1/S3 & Lector 1	James Sawka	KCs
S2 & Lector 2	Larry Ongsu	KCs
Passion Narrator	Jim Gallagher	Tashia Toupin
Usher/ Collection	Gordon Pilon	KCs

CHOIR

Blessed Sacrament Parish is forming a choir for the Easter Vigil, Saturday March 30. All people are invited to join the choir, including children. We request that you attend 2 practises - one on either March 16 or 17 after Mass and the Saturday March 23rd:

- Saturday March 16 after Mass
- Sunday March 17 after Mass
- Saturďay March 23 after Mass

Please stop by to speak with Bernadette or call/text (306) 537-4158.Thank you for sharing your love of music with the parish community!

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are posted on the bulletin boards and will be announced at each Mass. Please contact the parish office to request Mass intentions.

HOLY FATHER ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

The request that many men and women, of every place and time, pose to the Church and also to each one of us: "We wish to see Jesus".

And how does Jesus respond to that request? In a way that makes us think. He says: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.... Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit"

(vv. 23-24). These words do not seem to respond to the request those Greeks made. In reality, they surpass it. In fact, Jesus reveals that for every man and woman who wants to find him, He is the hidden seed ready to die in order to bear much fruit. As if to say: if you wish to know me, if you wish to understand me, look at the grain of wheat that dies in soil, that is, look at the cross.

The sign of the Cross comes to mind, which over the centuries has become the symbol par excellence of Christians. Even today, those who wish to "see Jesus", perhaps coming from countries and cultures where Christianity is not well-known, what do they see first? What is the most common sign they encounter? The Cross. In churches, in the homes of Christians, even worn on their



persons. The important thing is that the sign be consistent with the Gospel: the cross cannot but express love, service, unreserved self-giving: only in this way is it truly the "tree of life", of overabundant life.



Join a new phase of the Synod! Tell the Pope What You're Thinking

How can we be a synodal Church in mission? The Synod of Bishops is reaching out for feedback on its Oct 2023 report, <u>bit.ly/A-Synodal-Church-in-Mission</u>. You are invited to attend a listening session to offer feedback on the October 2023 Synod document. Your contributions will feed into the 2024 Synod next fall. Attend a listening session in your parish or gather some friends for your own discussion. Prepare some notes and send us your thoughts. A Spiritual Conversation Guide is available at bit.ly/Spiritual-Conversation-Guide

Or, you might want to join a Zoom discussion (attend one or all, no commitment required). Before coming, read the marked sections of the Oct. 2023 Synod Report at

•Part I. The Face of the Synodal Church - Mar. 20 @ 7 pm

-- read sections 3 and 5

•Part II. All Disciples, All Missionaries - Mar. 23 @ 10 am

-- read sections 8 and 9

•Part III. Weaving Bonds, Building Communities - Apr. 6 @ 10 am

-- read sections 14 and 18

•Draft report on 2024 Archdiocesan phase - Apr. 13 @ 10am All sessions at <u>bit.ly/YQR-Synod-2024</u> No registration. All are welcome.

For further information, contact Nick Jesson, Archdiocesan Synod Coordinator, njesson@archregina.sk.ca, or visit archregina.sk.ca/group/synod-2021-2024/

Way of the Cross – In the Footsteps of the Passion with Catherine Doherty

Friday, March 22, 7:30 pm, following the 7 pm Mass. St. Cecilia Parish, 5020 – 7th Avenue. Join with the Marian Centre staff as they lead this reflection. Catherine Doherty, founder of the Madonna House Apostolate, of which the Marian Centre is part, offers prayerful meditations which were written upon her heart during her pilgrimage along the Way of the Cross to guide you through your own pilgrimage to crucifixion — and resurrection. Each Station includes Scripture reflections, Catherine's meditation and prayer, and standard public prayers. If unable to attend in person, join the Livestream at <u>stcecregina.com</u>

Stewardship Bulletin Bit

"I will be their God and they shall be my people."- Jeremiah 31:33 What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors, and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

TF #392: Dr. John Jalsevac On Classical Education - Part 1

In this three-part series, Dr. Brett Salkeld and Dr. John Jalsevac, headmaster of Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic School in Peterborough, Ontario, discuss the growing popularity of Classical education and its distinct approach to student formation and education.

thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/dr-john-jalsevac-on-classicaleducation-part-1



Chrism Mass Monday, March 18 at 2:00 PM at Holy Rosary Cathedral.

This Lent, please give generously

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's Reaping our Rights campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. "Development and Peace — Caritas Canada accompanies, supports, and respects our institutional autonomy. It creates a climate of trust. I thank our sisters and brothers in Canada for their solidarity, a solidarity that generates life opportunities, that accompanies the dreams of women and men, of families, of communities and territories. Thank you!" — Eva Colque, Executive Director, Fundación NUNA, a partner in Bolivia. Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at <u>devp.org/give</u>. Thank you for your solidarity!

Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions - March

Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive. <u>thepopevideo.org</u>

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