

November 17, 2024



BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

2049 Scarth Street, Regina, SK S4P 2H5

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:10 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

TODAY'S MUSIC

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SATURDAY 5:10 PM • SUNDAY 10 AM

Processional: Journey Song 818
Here I Am Lord

Gloria: JourneySong 226

Responsorial Psalm: CBW III #209
Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

Preparation of Gifts: JourneySong #
829 *The Cry of the Poor*

Eucharistic Acclamations: CBW
227-232.

Communion Procession: Journey
Song # 828 *Whatsoever You Do*

Recessional: JourneySong # 740
Sent Forth By God's Blessing

HOLY FATHER'S NOVEMBER INTENTION

For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

Daily Mass this week

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 12:05 PM
November 18th-22nd

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before Mass: weekdays at 11:30 am, Saturdays at 4:30 pm

Sacrament of Initiation / Baptism, Confirmation & Communion: *These sacraments require preparation. Please contact the parish office.*

Sacrament of Marriage: *Please contact the parish office at least one year before proposed date of marriage.*

Anointing of the Sick: *after First Friday Masses or by request.*

PARISH OFFICE

Regular Hours • Tuesday to Friday • 11:00–2:00 PM

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Caretaker Teklesenbet Mebrahtu (*contact via parish office*).

CALENDAR

Thursday, November 21st *Blessed Sacrament Parish Finance Council, 4:30 PM, conference room*

Saturday, November 23rd *Blessed Sacrament Parish Pastoral Council, 10:30 am, conference room*

Sunday, December 24th *St. Martin de Porres Fall Harvest Supper, 5:00 p.m. Refreshments, 5:30 p.m. Buffet Supper. Details and tickets information: call parish office.*

RCIA

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you've been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the richness of what the Catholic Church teaches in an open and welcoming environment with our parish family. These gatherings are for inquirers and are open to people who are not baptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from other faith traditions or Catholics in need of first communion and confirmation.

Contact our pastor, Fr Jim, for more information:
pastor.bsacrament@sasktel.net

THE LIGHT SHINES THROUGH THE BROKEN PLACES - CLERGY SEXUAL ABUSE PRAYER SERVICE

Everyone is invited to join Holy Child Parish and Bishop Don for an evening of prayer and participation in the spirit of a relational church on Thursday, November 21 at 7:00 PM. We will listen to and journey through a clergy sexual abuse prayer service, *The Light Shines Through the Broken Places*.

ADVENT REFLECTION

Begin the advent season by attending a time of reflection on Saturday Nov 30 at 1PM at Holy Child, Regina. Deacon Dennis Ziegler will guide us in a reflection titled: Advent: Jesus Comes to Bring Hope Into Our Broken World.

DONATIONS

Donations to Blessed Sacrament Parish can be sent via E-transfer (*interac*) to:

blessed.sacrament@sasktel.net

Auto-Deposit Forms are available at the entrances of the church or at:

blessedsacramentregina.ca/donations/

If you wish to direct your donation to the Building Fund or the Painting Project specifically, please indicate on your cheque or transfer.



Catholic Bible

THE BIBLE used by the Catholic Church includes a few books that some other Christians do not consider equally sacred. The formation of the Bible took many centuries, and there is still not complete agreement over which books belong between its covers.

The Old Testament evolved from ancient books written mostly in Hebrew. By the third century BC, these were being translated into Greek along with a few books not so widely regarded as Sacred Scripture. The collection was called the *Septuagint*, and it was favored by many early Christians who knew Greek. In the fourth century AD, St. Jerome learned enough Hebrew to translate the Old Testament into Latin, and that collection has been called the *Vulgate*. Jerome omitted some questionable books from the Septuagint. Still, there were disputes about what belonged in a Bible.

In the sixteenth century, Martin Luther placed a number of the disputed books of the Bible in a separate section called *Apocrypha*. Luther and the Reformers questioned the status of some New Testament books also, but today's Christian Churches generally agree on the same twenty-seven of them.

The Catholic Bible includes some Old Testament books not found in other Bibles, such as Judith, Tobit, and 1 and 2 Maccabees. Verses from some of these offended the opinions of Protestant Reformers. Catholics used 2 Maccabees 12:43–45 to defend the teaching on purgatory and Tobit 12:9 to exhort the merits of good works. Excerpts from these books may show up, for example, at a Catholic funeral or wedding, when Christians from other churches may be present. The differences in these few books should not obscure the realization that Catholics have substantial agreement with other Christians about the content and importance of the Bible.

Bulletin Inserts for the Liturgical Life of the Parish: Devotions and Customs
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Bulletin

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Archbishop's Appeal

Jesus speaks of challenging times and urges us to remain vigilant and hopeful. Amid uncertainties, our faith anchors us, and our actions prepare the way for God's kingdom. By uniting in support of the Archbishop's Appeal, we actively participate in works that bring hope to others. Our contributions support ministries that educate, heal, and spread the Gospel, shining light in the darkness. Together, we become a steadfast community, ready for Christ's return, and committed to making a positive difference in the world today.



Youth Events

RISE UP: EVENT BY CCO

Rise Up is an event put on by CCO (Catholic Christian Outreach) every year over the Christmas holidays. This year's event for young adults (ages 18 & up) will take place Dec. 29- Jan. 1st in Calgary, Alberta. It will include opportunities for workshops, faith sharing, prayer and a unique New Year's gala experience. The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry of the Archdiocese of Regina is happy to provide a bus for those wishing to attend. (The bus will be free, but you will need to pay for your own registration) If joining the bus is of interest to you, please let us know NO LATER than November 30. bit.ly/oyyamtrip.

World Youth Day 2024

Do you know that WYD is celebrated EVERY year all around the world on the feast of Christ the King? The theme for this year's WYD is "Those that hope in the Lord, will run and not grow weary." The Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry invites all young adults ages 18 and up to join us Sunday Nov. 24th for an afternoon of Laser Tag, a guest speaker, discussion and community prayer. The cost is \$20. Please register at bit.ly/archoyyam

Ministering to Youth Workshop

Do you work with young people? Care about young people? If so, please join the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry for a Youth Ministry Workshop. Come explore what youth ministry is, who it involves and why it is vital to our church. If you are a member of the clergy, a parish worker, a teacher, a volunteer, a catechist or work with an apostolate this workshop could be of interest to you. Join us Nov. 30th from 9:30-3:30 at the diocesan offices. No cost involved. Lunch provided. Please register by emailing oyyam@archregina.sk.ca

Vatican II and Synodality with Dr. Catherine Clifford

Dr. Catherine Clifford is a Canadian laywoman appointed as a delegate to the XVI Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. She is a professor of theology and director of the Centre for Vatican II and 21st Century Catholicism at the Université Saint Paul in Ottawa. Dr. Clifford has over two decades of experience as a member of Anglican-Roman Catholic and other ecumenical dialogues. Dr. Clifford will be visiting Regina soon after returning from the Synod. She will be speaking on how a renewed attention to the ancient practice of synodality is giving a renewed attention to the teaching of the Second Vatican Council. **Wednesday, November 27** at 7:00 pm at Campion College. All are welcome! For further information, contact Nick Jesson, Archdiocesan Synod Coordinator, njesson@archregina.sk.ca

Camp Monahan's Annual Christmas Dinner

Enjoy an evening out with great food, music and friends at Camp Monahan's Annual Christmas Dinner, sponsored by Holy Child Knights of Columbus on December 7th. For more information and tickets are available online campmonahan.ca or by contacting our office (306)522-1047 or email campmonahan@sasktel.net.

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Face to Face

Face to Face is coming to Regina! Join us at St. Martin's Parish on Saturday, November 30th for back to back youth retreats. Grades 4 to 7 will meet from 2:00 pm to 4:45 pm and grades 8 to 12 will meet from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. With a wonderful balance of outrageous fun, engaging talks and impacting prayer moments, our youth will enter in and receive the love of God. Contact Sheri Parker at 306-533-2561 to register.

Emmaus Men's Mental Health Support

Are you feeling overwhelmed by guilt, anxiety, or constant self-doubt? Do you struggle with negative thoughts or find yourself questioning your decisions? You're not alone. Our Emmaus Men's Mental Health support group in Regina can help you find strength, understanding, and a path to peace. Our group offers a safe space for men facing mental health challenges, providing a faith-filled environment to share experiences, receive encouragement, and explore practical coping strategies. Through open discussions, prayer, educational resources, and spiritual guidance with peers, we walk together on our collective journeys toward healing and growth. Please note that Emmaus groups do not provide professional counselling services and are not intended to replace professional counselling, medication, or therapies. For more information on meeting times and locations, and how to join, contact emmausmentalhealth@gmail.com or visit our website at emmaussupport.ca

A Family retreat With the Myriam Family!

The secret of Hope

When?

December 7th 2024
from 9h30 to 4h00

Where?

At our beautiful site in the peace of the countryside near McLean, 45 km East from Regina.

The retreat will include family morning prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament, talks, Mass, skits, games, crafts, joy!

To register, please call Sr. Stephanie at 306-761-0528 Or email pss.prairies@famillemiriam.org

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

Pastoral Care focuses on people's needs from a spiritual and theological perspective in order to help create an optimum climate for healing of body, mind and spirit. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please contact a chaplain to arrange a pastoral care visit or an anointing.



General - Jerry: 306-519-1405
Pasqua - Jennifer: 306-519-1380
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TF #427: Pilgrims of Hope - Together in Mission with Fr. Raymond Lafontaine Part 1

This week on Thinking Faith, we are pleased to share a portion of our recent diocesan gathering with Fr. Raymond Lafontaine.

Fr. Raymond, a priest from the Archdiocese of Montreal, spent six months with the Archdiocese of Regina starting in May 2024. During his study leave, he visited countless parishes and groups, connecting with priests, pastoral staff, and lay leaders while observing and learning how we "walk together" as a synodal church on mission. Most recently, he participated as a table facilitator at the 2nd Synodal Assembly in Rome in October. In this series of talks, he shares some of the background leading up to the final gathering in Rome and examines "What did the Spirit speak to the Church through the Synod?" "How far did we progress on the synodal path, and how can we deepen our commitment to walking together in communion, participation, and mission?"

thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/pilgrims-of-hope-together-in-mission-with-fr-raymond-lafontaine-part-1

CWL Corner

- Calendar item: Save the Date, the 102nd Regina Diocesan Convention will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, 2025, at St. Joseph's in Moose Jaw.
- Leadership formation opportunity. The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation, CWLF is accepting applications for the 2025-2026 Catholic Women's Leadership program. This eleven-month online program is open to all catholic women who have leadership gifts and are seeking a deeper understanding of transformative leadership. Deadline to apply is Dec 15, 2024. More information may be found at cwlfcanada.ca/ and the application is available at form.jotform.com/241684734994270
- The Regina Diocesan CWL has a newsletter. Our first edition was published in October 2024. The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service. Wonderful things are happening in CWL councils across the diocese. Join us in Faith, Service and Social Justice. For more information please contact Linda at regina.diocesan.cwl@gmail.com.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory." (Mark 13:26)

We will all have that day when we are standing before God, and our lives are played out like a movie. When this happens and God asks each of us, "What have you done with the gifts that I have given you?" How will you respond? The good news is that it's never too late to start living a grateful and generous lifestyle.