

# **BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH**

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

TODAY'S MUSIC 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER SATURDAY 5:10 AM • SUNDAY 10 AM

Processional: Journey Song # 410 Join in the Dance of Jubilation Sprinkling Rite & Gloria: JourneySong # 226

**Responsorial Psalm:** *CBW III # 99 We are his people, the flock of the Lord.* 

Preparation of the Gifts: JourneySong # 403 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Eucharistic Accl: CBW 227-232.

**Communion: Journey Song** #417 *Two Were Bound for Emmaus* **Recessional: Journey Song** #690 *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* 

HOLY FATHER'S MAY PRAYER INTENTION

#### For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

# Saturday 5:10 pm Sunday 10:00 am Monday through Friday, 12:05 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday-Friday, 11:30 am, Saturdays at 4:30 pm

**Sacrament of Initiation / Baptism, Confirmation & Communion:** *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 Mass, June 6th or by request.

# PARISH OFFICE

# Regular Hours • <u>Tuesday to Friday</u> • 11:00–2:00 PM Tel: (306) 522-7422 • <u>www.blessedsacramentregina.ca</u>

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CALENDAR	
Tuesday, May 13th	Taizé Ecumenical Prayer, 5 PM, Blessed Sacrament Church • continues through Tuesday, June 3rd.
Sunday, May 25th	Confirmation and First Communion for children, 10 am, Archbishop Bolen
Thursday, May 29th	Parish Finance Council meeting, 4:30 PM in Parish meeting room
Saturday, May 31st	Pastoral Council meeting, 10 am in Parish meeting room
Pentecost Sunday, June 8th	Parish AGM after 10 am Eucharist, followed by parish picnic.

# BIOGRAPHY OF POPE LEO XIV BORN ROBERT FRANCIS PREVOST

#### By Vatican News

The first Augustinian Pope, Leo XIV is the second Roman Pontiff - after Pope Francis - from the Americas. Unlike Jorge Mario Bergoglio, however, the 69-year-old Robert Francis Prevost is from the northern part of the continent, though he spent many years as a missionary in Peru before being elected head of the Augustinians for two consecutive terms.

### First Augustinian Pope

The new Bishop of Rome was born on September 14, 1955, in Chicago, Illinois, to Louis Marius Prevost, of French and Italian descent, and Mildred Martínez, of Spanish descent. He has two brothers, Louis Martín and John Joseph. He spent his childhood and adolescence with his family and studied first at the Minor Seminary of the Augustinian Fathers and then at Villanova University in Pennsylvania, where in 1977 he earned a Degree in Mathematics and also studied Philosophy.

On September 1 of the same year, Prevost entered the novitiate of the Order of Saint Augustine (O.S.A.) in Saint Louis, in the Province of Our Lady of Good Counsel of Chicago, and made his first profession on September 2, 1978. On August 29, 1981, he made his solemn vows. The future Pontiff received his theological education at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. At the age of 27, he was sent by his superiors to Rome to study Canon Law at the Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquinas (Angelicum).

In Rome, he was ordained a priest on June 19, 1982, at the Augustinian College of Saint Monica by Archbishop Jean Jadot, then pro-president of the Secretariat for Non-Christians, which later became the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue and then the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue. Prevost obtained his licentiate in 1984 and the following year, while preparing his doctoral thesis, was sent to the Augustinian mission in Chulucanas, Piura, Peru (1985–1986). In 1987, he defended his doctoral thesis on "The Role of the Local Prior in the Order of Saint Augustine" and was appointed vocation director and missions director of the Augustinian Province of "Mother of Good Counsel" in Olympia Fields, Illinois (USA).

### Mission in Peru

The following year, he joined the mission in Trujillo, also in Peru, as director of the joint formation project for Augustinian candidates from the vicariates of Chulucanas, Iquitos, and Apurímac. Over the course of eleven years, he served as prior of the community (1988–1992), formation director (1988– 1998), and instructor for professed members (1992– 1998), and in the Archdiocese of Trujillo as judicial vicar (1989–1998) and professor of Canon Law, Patristics, and Moral Theology at the Major Seminary "San Carlos y San Marcelo." At the same time, he was also entrusted with the pastoral care of Our Lady Mother of the Church, later established as the parish of Saint Rita (1988–1999), in a poor suburb of the city, and was parish administrator of Our Lady of Monserrat from 1992 to 1999.

In 1999, he was elected Provincial Prior of the Augustinian Province of "Mother of Good Counsel" in Chicago, and two and a half years later, the ordinary General Chapter of the Order of Saint Augustine, elected him as Prior General, confirming him in 2007 for a second term.

In October 2013, he returned to his Augustinian Province in Chicago, serving as director of formation at the Saint Augustine Convent, first councilor, and provincial vicar—roles he held until Pope Francis appointed him on November 3, 2014, as Apostolic Administrator of the Peruvian Diocese of Chiclayo, elevating him to the episcopal dignity as Titular Bishop of Sufar.

He entered the Diocese on November 7, in the presence of Apostolic Nuncio James Patrick Green, who ordained him Bishop just over a month later, on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, in the Cathedral of Saint Mary.

His episcopal motto is "In Illo uno unum"—words pronounced by Saint Augustine in a sermon on Psalm 127 to explain that "although we Christians are many, in the one Christ we are one."

### Bishop of Chiclayo, Peru, from 2015 to 2023

On September 26, 2015, he was appointed Bishop of Chiclayo by Pope Francis. In March 2018, he was elected second vice-president of the Peruvian Episcopal Conference, where he also served as a member of the Economic Council and president of the Commission for Culture and Education.

In 2019, Pope Francis appointed him a member of the Congregation for the Clergy (July 13, 2019), and in 2020, a member of the Congregation for Bishops (November 21). Meanwhile, on April 15, 2020, he was also appointed Apostolic Administrator of the Peruvian Diocese of Callao.

# Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops

On January 30, 2023, the Pope called him to Rome as Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops and President of the Pontifical Commission for Latin America, promoting him to the rank of Archbishop.

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#### Created Cardinal in 2024

Pope Francis created him Cardinal in the Consistory of September 30 that year and assigned him the Diaconate of Saint Monica. He officially took possession of it on January 28, 2024.

As head of the Dicastery, he participated in the Pope's most recent Apostolic Journeys and in both the first and second sessions of the 16th General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops on synodality, held in Rome in October, 2023 & 2024, respectively.

Meanwhile, on October 4, 2023, Pope Francis appointed him as a member of the Dicasteries for Evangelization, for the Doctrine of the Faith, for the Eastern Churches, for the Clergy, for Institutes of Consecrated Life & of Apostolic Life, for Culture and Education, for Legislative Texts, and of the Pontifical Commission for the Vatican City State.

Finally, on February 6 of this year, the Argentine Pope promoted him to the Order of Bishops, granting him the title of the Suburbicarian Church of Albano. Three days later, on February 9, he celebrated the Mass presided over by Pope Francis in St. Peter's Square for the Jubilee of the Armed Forces, the second major event of the Holy Year of Hope. During the most recent hospitalization of his predecessor at the "Gemelli" hospital, Prevost presided over the Rosary for Pope Francis's health in Saint Peter's Square on March 3.

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR APRIL 2025		
Donations via Direct Deposit	\$2,270.00	
Donation Envelopes	\$6,607.05	
Loose Collection	\$1,419.55	
Total Regular Donations this Month (April)	\$10,296.60	
Amount Needed Each Month for Operating Expenses	\$13,500.00	
Monthly Deficit	-\$3,203.40	
Building Fund (collected)	\$785.00	
Other Collections in April		
Diocesan Collections	\$1,952.85	
Marian Centre	\$90.00	

• A complete 2024 Parish Financial Report will be distributed before the Parish Annual General meeting on June 8th.

• 2025 AGM is scheduled for Pentecost, June 8th, after the 10 am Eucharist, followed by a cookout.

# PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV, BISHOP OF ROME

O God, who in your providential design willed that your Church be built upon blessed Peter, whom you set over the other Apostles, We pray that you will look with favour on Pope Leo XIV, Bishop of Rome, and grant that he, the successor of Peter, may be for your people a visible source and foundation of unity in faith and of communion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

# DONATIONS

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

blessed.sacrament@sasktel.net

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



blessedsacramentregina.ca/donations/

# TAIZÉ ECUMENICAL PRAYER

**Taizé Prayer** on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>May 13th</u>, and continuing through Tuesday, June 3rd at Blessed Sacrament Church, 2049 Scarth Street, Regina.

- Come Pray Together
- Prayer, Silence, and Meditative Song
- A time to pause and be with God

This prayer service consists of simple and reflective music, punctuated by Scripture readings and silence. You are invited to pray by singing, listening and reflecting.

# WALKING TOGETHER

A program of Catholic Engaged Encounter designed to support married couples in their vocation of marriage through accompaniment. We invite couples of all stages from newly married to mature couples to come together to share the gifts, graces, and experiences of their vocation. Drop-in sessions, no registration required. Saturdays at 7:30 pm at Holy Rosary in the O'Neill room (use the west ramp entrance) April 12, May 10, June 14. For more information contact Miri or James Schiller at wd1@ceecanada.ca or 306-535-7518.



# Archdiocese of Regina May

#### Variety Night 2025

Variety Night is being held this year on May 23,24,25,26 at Christ the King Parish Regina. It is an amazing night of incredible talent! This year's theme is "The People's Voice Awards" (The people have spoken....) Come enjoy an awards show like no other! Profits this year will go towards a young adult missions' trip to Cuernavaca, Mexico over Christmas break. Tickets are available at www.bit.ly/varnight25 or from the CTK Parish Office. Please come out and support our young people!

# Campion College is hosting the 2025 Prairie Symposium for the Common Good on May 22-23

The Prairie Symposium for the Common Good is a partnership of St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba; Campion College, University of Regina; and St. Thomas More College, University of Saskatchewan. The symposium takes place at the three colleges oThe symposium seeks to provide a platform for addressing the multifaceted challenges and opportunities related to human solidarity. By engaging diverse perspectives and expertise, we aim to inspire collaborative efforts towards a more humane world for the common good. This year's keynote speaker is Dr. Monica Marcelli-Chu, Assistant Professor of Theological Ethics of Santa Clara University – Berkeley Campus, Jesuit School of Theology. Dr. Marcelli-Chu will present on "Care for Our Common Home Through the Spirit's Gift of Counsel." Visit campioncollege.ca/prairie-symposium/

# **Participation in MAiD** should be voluntary for everyone involved.

Healthcare professionals and residents across Saskatchewan are calling for stronger safeguards around Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) by supporting two key requests to the Government of Saskatchewan:

 Protect vulnerable patients from unsolicited offers of MAiD.
Support the right for healthcare providers to decline participation in MAiD





Send a letter to the Minister of Health by scanning the QR code or visit: www.bit.ly/2025Sask

The Archdiocese of Regina is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Nêhiyawak, Nahkawé, and Nakota, and homeland of the Dakota, Lakota, and Métis peoples.

#### Leadership Camp 2025

Each year the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry of the Archdiocese of Regina invites young people interested in growing in faith, community and their ability to be leaders to come together for an amazing camp experience. This year's theme is "Celebrate!". There are dates for young adults, (Aug. 9 & 10) for older teens in grades 10-12 (Aug. 10-13) and younger teens in grades 7-9 (Aug. 14-16) The camp is held at Glen Harbour Kids Camp about 40 minutes from Regina. Check the poster or email oyyam@archregina.sk.ca for more info. Registration can be found at <u>bit.ly/oyyam-camp</u>

#### **Mission to Mexico**

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is taking a group of young adults on a mission to Cuernavaca, Mexico over Christmas break 2025. The cost will be about \$2500 and fundraising opportunities will be part of the preparation. Anyone interested in joining us on this initiative MUST EMAIL US @ oyyam@archregina. sk.ca to indicate your interest by June 15th.



#### A Youth retreat!

May 23rd, 5:00 pm to May 24th, 2:00 pm. At the Myriam Family house of prayer in McLean SK Age? From age 13 to 17 How much? Suggested donation; 25\$/person To register, call Sr. Stephanie: 306-761-0528 or by email: pss. prairies@famillemyriam. org

#### Stewardship Bulletin Bit

"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." (Acts 13:52)

The disciples heard Our Lord's call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to!