

Blessed Sacrament Parish

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Dear Parishioners,

Never before have we experienced anything like this Covid-19 Crisis. This universal pandemic is certainly a challenge, but with discipline, sacrifice and being responsible we will eventually get back to a more normal life.

In spite of this threat we have many blessings. We are fortunate to live in Canada. Our country is better able to cope with this crisis than most other places. Also, our province is providing excellent advice and support. Our community has excellent facilities and superb medical experts and health care workers.

The main thing is that we know we can count on our neighbours and friends; and they know they can count on us!

Moreover, we belong to a wonderful parish. We care about each other – and we show our love for God by loving our neighbour. Although there are no regularly scheduled Masses, this is still a very special opportunity for us to grow spiritually.

I encourage you to pray at home: say the Rosary; read the Bible, especially the New Testament; and maybe try to watch Mass on television. Pray for your family. Pray for those who are sick. Pray for those who are worried and afraid. Pray for those who are alone or suffering in any way. Especially remember to pray for those working in hospitals and clinics.

Although there are no regularly scheduled Masses for a while, Blessed Sacrament Church will be open most days from 11 am to 3 pm if you want to come for your own private prayers.

Someday scholars will write about the Coronavirus Pandemic of 2020. That means we are part of history...Hang in there!! Check our website and keeping praying.

Here is my favourite prayer from St. Francis de Sales:

“Peace, look not forward to what might happen tomorrow;
the same everlasting Father, who cares for you today,
will care for your tomorrow and everyday. Either he will shield you from suffering
or he will give you the unfailing strength to bear it...
therefore,
be at Peace”!!

God Bless you,



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