

Stewardship

12/5-12/6/2020

Holy Cross

46 HC Envelopes	\$4690.00
4 Holy Days	\$260.00
1 Flowers	\$100.00
Loose	\$8.11
2 Reimbursement	\$1512.54
1 Stipend	\$10.00
4 Campaign for Human Development	\$160.00
2 Religious Retirement	\$125.00
Total	\$6865.65

Holy Cross Monthly Expenses

Elevator Repair \$3460.00

Holy Cross Parish Endowment Fund:

09-30-2020 \$62,987.27

Cemetery

Opening Balance 12-1-2020 ~~-\$287.53~~

2 Short term \$600.00

General Fund \$1000.00

Total Cemetery Account \$1312.47

Cemetery Expenses

Cemetery Endowment Fund

09-30-2020 \$52,003.21

Please consider a memorial for your loved ones to the Holy Cross Cemetery instead of flowers.

THANK YOU!



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

"Mary adored Jesus as the Bridegroom of souls. Union is the final purpose of love. Jesus by the gift of His substance in the Eucharist unites Himself with our souls as with His dear spouses. As a Bridegroom, He gives them all His possessions, His name, His heart, His whole Self, but on the condition that the soul reciprocates. The soul, His spouse, shall live for Him only."

- St. Peter Julian Eymard

Pray for our seminarians

Lord Jesus, we ask your special blessing on those preparing for the priesthood in our seminaries. We pray that they will grow in faith, hope and love. Give them courage and perseverance and be their constant companion as they prepare to serve you and your people with the fire of your love. Make them holy as you are holy. Amen.

Dillon Armstrong, Matthew Christiaens, Tyler Frohlich, Kaleb Mitchell, Riley Helgøe, Brett Rotz, John Cooney and Kyle Tannehill.

Prayer Chain

Unless requested otherwise after one month prayer request names will be removed from the prayer chain:

Gene Determan, Joanie Pritchard, Elaine Graveley, Marie Hoeffner, Chris and Fran Wright, Kelly Flynn, Ed and Jean Boucher, Mary Alice Upton, Jackie Kynett, Shanna Montonario, Greg Wallace, Tanner Scholey, Marj Kohn, Dr. Kegel, Betty Devaney, Vince Boster, Martin and Margy Clark, Bill Rice, Clara Boster, Ellen Osbourne, Brenden Martin, Henry Murray, Bev Determan, Alex Schaible, Brian Hohn, Steve Kitt, Jack Mahon family, Kathy, Terry Love

Finance Council members

Juanita Bray, John Rauser-Chair, Steve Visocan, Vince Vogl, Max Peace, Tim McAlpine meet quarterly

Pastoral Council members

Shari Toney, Jesse Swenson, Mary Ellen Schnur, Karee Eichinger & Chris Wright, meet third Tuesday of the month,

Cemetery Committee:

Paul Latka, Terry Love, Rich Majszak-Chair, Gay Ann Masolo, Doris Mingay and Missy Rauser.

Holy Cross recommends that the following be respected

Christian Burial

Notice should be made with the priest before arrangements are made with the funeral director.

Social Hall

Our Social Hall and kitchen may be rented out for special events

Please call the office for information for any of the above notices, 406-266-4811



HOLY CROSS PARISH



Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2020

Weekend Schedule:

Confession: Saturday 5:00—5:45p or by appointment

Fr. Cody Williams, Pastor Email: frcwilliams@holycrossmt.org

Mass: Saturday Mass 6p Sunday Mass 8a

Office: 406-266-4811

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Adoration: Wednesday 9:30a

Email: office@holycrossmt.org

Mass: Wednesday and Thursday 9a

Website: holycrossmt.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:30a to 12:00p

Mailing address: P.O. Box 610 (101 S. Walnut)

Townsend, Montana 59644

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Pope Francis has declared this year the Year of St. Joseph. The year 2021 marks the 150th anniversary of Pope Pius IX declaration of St. Joseph as the Patron Saint of the Universal Church. The year begins on Dec. 8, 2020 and ends on Dec. 8, 2021.



In his letter announcing the Year of St. Joseph, Pope Francis emphasized the role of St. Joseph as a loving and obedient father. He was a man who obediently followed the will of God and yet always lived in the background of the Gospels. Although announced as the father of Jesus, he never says a word but patiently and dutifully fulfilled his role as foster father. Upon this backdrop of the patient and loving fatherly figure of St. Joseph, Pope Francis wants to emphasize the role of the ordinary people who patiently continue their work yet remain unseen.

During this Year of St. Joseph the Pope encourages the faithful to reflect on the life of St. Joseph. Indulgences are granted to those who participate in a retreat where part of the retreat emphasizes St. Joseph, those who pray the Litany of St. Joseph, those who perform a spiritual or corporeal work of mercy, those who meditate on the Lord's Prayer for at least 30 minutes, and those who recite the Rosary with their families.

Announcements

Community Christmas Dinner
For Broadwater County

CHRISTMAS DAY DELIVERY

Meals will be delivered between 12p & 1p

To request meal(s) contact:
events@trailheadchristianchurch.com
Or call
406-266-4406

*Please provide Name, Number of Meals, Phone and Address of delivery

Our Christmas gift to you!

TRAILHEAD
CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Thank you to everyone who donated time and/or goodies for the Christmas plates the Women of Faith put together for the Food Pantry.



If anyone is interested in donating to the purchase of the poinsettias for the church it would be greatly appreciated. Please make those donations to the office directly or there are poinsettia envelopes on the table in the narthex. If you would like to donate in memory of someone please specify that.



Virtual Retrouvaille
January 14-17th 2021
\$500 per couple
Please visit
www.helpourmarriage.org or call
406-761-4830 for more info

HelpOurMarriage.com
RETROUVAILLE
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Help needed around the church

The candle stick holders need to be cleaned
A new shelf for the dining room closet
Bells

Volunteers Needed!

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!!

Advent begins our preparation for Christmas. If you thought God becoming man was confusing, imagine Christmas during a pandemic. This year our Christmas Masses are going to be a little different to accommodate the necessary Covid restrictions. I am asking people to sign-up for the Mass they wish to attend. Those who sign-up will have priority, whereas the others may celebrate Christmas Mass downstairs in our overflow Christmas Mass setup. It is imperative that everyone work to follow the restrictions including the necessary use of masks, the keeping of social distance, and the respect of other people. We are here to celebrate the joy of God coming to meet us. Let us never forget that aim!

The Christmas Mass schedule:

Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve
8:00 pm

Dec. 25 – Christmas
Midnight
8:00 am

New Year's Eve:
7:00 pm

Scripture Readings

Fourth Sunday of Advent
12-20-2020

Reading 1: Isaiah 7:10-14
Psalm 24:1-2,3-4ab,5-6
Reading 2: Romans 1:1-7
Gospel Matthew 1:18-24
Communion Antiphon:
Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel

A PRAYER FOR THE
Third Sunday of Advent

Joy-filled Giver of Life,
let the anticipation of your birth
fill us with overflowing joy.
May our excitement and anticipation
be a sign to the world
that you are always near.
Amen.

All bulletin information requests need to be submitted at least two weeks in advance and by email to office@holycrossmt.org. Requests submitted by texts or calls can not be guaranteed. Bulletin deadline is Tuesday at 10a.

Mass	Schedule
Monday December 14	No Mass
Tuesday December 15	No Mass
Wednesday December 16	Rosary Mass 9a Mary Williamson RB Bob and Barb Williamson Adoration 9:30a RE- prek-5th 5-6p MS-HS 6:15-8p
Thursday December 17	Rosary Mass 9a John Kirley RB Bill and Anita Kearns No Bible Basics
Friday December 18	OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday December 19	Confession 5-5:45p Mass 6p Healthcare workers
Sunday December 20	Mass 8a Parish Family

Helena Diocese Catholic Engaged Encounter

Due to Covid-19 there will be no in-person Engaged Encounter weekends this winter. Here are a few websites that are offering virtual encounters.

Seattle- www.ceeseattle.org

Boise- www.ceeboise.org

Portland- www.portlandengagedencounter.com

National- www.engagedencounter.com



If you would like to be on the Ministry Schedule please fill out a volunteer Ministry Survey found on the table in the narthex.



Ministry Schedule

Saturday December 19, 2020 6:00 pm

Greet: Gene and Bev Determan
Lector: Cathy Armstrong

Ministry Schedule

Sunday December 20, 2020 8:00 am

Greet: Tom and Nora Bazuin
Lector: Mary Ellen Schnur
Money Counters: Paul Latka and Karen Susag