

## Stewardship

1/4-1/10/2021

### Holy Cross

31 HC Envelopes	\$1565.00
1 Holy Day	\$35.00
Loose	\$4.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1604.00</b>

### Holy Cross Monthly Expenses

### Holy Cross Parish Endowment Fund:

09-30-2020 \$62,987.27

### Cemetery

Opening Balance 12-1-2020	-\$287.53
1 Short term	\$500.00
<b>Total Cemetery Account</b>	<b>\$1812.47</b>

### 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

How to Find Christmas Peace  
Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

"The Bread of angels has become the Bread of mankind; This heavenly Bread puts an end to all images; O wonderful reality! The poor, the slave, and the humble can eat the Lord!"

- St. Thomas Aquinas, *Panis Angelicus*

### Pray for our Seminararians

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 Helgoe, Brett Rotz, John Cooney and Kyle Tannehill.

Pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

### 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, Bev Determan, Alex Schaible, Brian Hohn, Steve Kitt, Kathy, Terry Love, Fred Monteil, Anita Kearns

#### Finance Council members:

Juanita Bray, John Rauser-Chair, Steve Visocan, Vince Vogt, 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



## The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17, 2021

### 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

### Fr. Cody's Corner

As we head into the week of January 22<sup>nd</sup>, we begin pro-life week. The Bishops of the United States have dedicated this week to focus on the importance and dignity of life. I feel that it is important to reiterate the importance of life and the reasons the Church spends so much time and energy celebrating the dignity of life.

Life is our most precious gift. We did not make it of our own neither did we merit it; it was given to us as a gift. As a gift we are called to protect, preserve, and use it for our good, the good of the world, and God's good. Yet, our society is headed down a track that degrades life. We value our own autonomy and desires over the good and even dignity of others. This degradation of life is evident from abortion to euthanasia, from hungry children to the quality of life at the end of life, from education to our labor force. Every issue in some way centers on this issue of life. Nothing is more pivotal to preserving life than those actions that take life, i.e. abortion, euthanasia, and capital punishment with abortion being the most important. If at any point we point to a person and say "you don't deserve to live," we have said to ourselves "I do not value the dignity of life."

What's our role? We are not protestors fighting for the dignity of life. We are people we have been empowered by our own gift of life and want to witness to it. The best example of this witness to life is the pro-life marches. These marches are not events of anger or violence; they are demonstrations of people who have experienced the beauty of life. They march with hope and joy, they sing and pray, they show the world that life is worth fighting for. If we remember who we are fighting for, then we know that we are winning. Each year the marches grow bigger even though the news doesn't show it. This year 588 cities registered for the 40 Days for Life Campaign. Through these prayers countless people were affected including those who were considering abortions and workers who provide abortions. Each year more legislation is passed to protect life and those organizations against it are diminishing. Don't lose hope!

What can we do? The Bishops encourage everyone to pray a 9 day novena, or 9 days of prayer, to protect the dignity of life starting Jan. 22. It can be found on their website at <https://pro-life-activities.pages.co/9-days-for-life-2021-english/>, copies are also available. Most importantly celebrate your own gift of life. Live life well, live it with the dignity it deserves, and affirm the dignity of life in others.

Fr. Cody



# Announcements


Join us from  
10:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Monday, January 25th, 2021  
to listen to powerful  
speakers for LIFE, join in  
prayer to end abortion, and  
see a LIVE ultrasound!


#WHYWE MARCH

**Montana March  
For Life 2021**  
Monday January 25th, 2021  
Montana State Capitol  
10:00 am to 1:00 pm

 **Knights of Columbus** The Knights of Columbus are selling raffle tickets to support the Special Olympics.

Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased in the church office or by contacting a Knight.




 Pasties on sale. The Knights of Columbus are selling pasties starting this weekend. Each pasty cost \$7. Contact Martin Mingay 406-980-1033 to purchase a pasty.

Latin Mass is being offered at the Cathedral of Saint Helena January 24th at 1p.

 **Mass Schedule**

If you are sick, do not come to Mass until you are well. If you are concerned about becoming sick, please do not attend Mass until Bishop Vetter lifts the dispensation. If you have access to the internet, you may participate in Mass that is livestreamed at [holycrossmt.org](http://holycrossmt.org)

 **Virtus Certification training: Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm**

Protecting God's Children This training teaches about the signs of sexual predators and child sexual abuse. I encourage all people to become Virtus certified so that more people are aware of the signs of sexual predation and child abuse. The training takes about 2 hours with monthly bulletins for further study. All those who help with RE or ministering to the homebound are required to be Virtus certified. **In order to attend the class you need to register for it.** To register go to [virtus.org](http://virtus.org) and click on the blue button on the left hand side of the page titled "first-time registrant."

Help needed around the church

Sewing-fixing vestments  
A new shelf for the dining room closet  
Bells

**Volunteers Needed!**



## Scripture Readings



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
I-24-2020

Reading 1: Jonah 3:1-5, 10  
Psalm 25:4-5ab,6-7bc,8-9  
Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31  
Gospel Mark 1:14-20  
Communion Antiphon:  
(Option 1)- Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.  
(Option 2)- I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

Mass	Schedule
Monday January 18	NO MASS
Tuesday January 19	NO MASS
Wednesday January 20	NO MASS No Adoration RE- pre-k-5th grade 5-6p MS-HS 6:15-8p
Thursday January 21	NO MASS No Bible Basics
Friday January 22	OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday January 23	Confession 5-5:45p Mass 6p
Sunday January 24	Mass 8a Parish Family



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

**Ministry Schedule**  
Saturday January 23, 2021 6:00 pm

Greet: Fisetbe Family  
Lector: Gay Ann Masolo

**Ministry Schedule**  
Sunday January 24, 2021 8:00 am

Greet: Tom and Nora Bazuin  
Lector: Mary Ellen Schnur  
Money Counters: Karee Eichinger and Kristi Gerschlager

**Cooks needed for RE**

RE has started again and we are in need of cooks to provide a meal for the High and Middle Schoolers. There are two ways to provide food for our RE kids: you can donate money and we can buy food or you can either purchase the food from a licensed vendor or cook in our kitchen. Due to the challenges of Covid and its restrictions, I am requiring the following for those who cook:

**Wear a mask and gloves while cooking**

All cooking must be done in the church kitchen. This causes some confusion. The Holy Cross kitchen is an industrial kitchen that meets health code standards. By requiring people to cook in this kitchen, I can assure proper food handling during the pandemic.

All food used to prepare a meal must either be prepackaged or used in a recipe that requires it to be cooked.

**Other allowances**

If you make something at home that will be cooked in the kitchen or can be dropped off and someone put in the oven.

