

Stewardship

1/16-1/24/2021

Holy Cross

54 HC Envelopes	\$3831.00
3 Holy Day	\$145.00
Loose	\$26.00
1 Reimbursement	\$511.48
3 Stipend	\$95.00
Total	\$4608.48

Holy Cross Monthly Expenses

Holy Cross Parish Endowment Fund:

09-30-2020 \$6,987.27

Cemetery

Opening Balance 1-1-2021 \$1812.47

6 Memorials \$425.00

Total Cemetery Account \$2237.47

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

How to Find Christmas Peace
Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

"In the Eucharist, this divine Heart governs us and loves us by living and abiding with us, so that we may live and abide in Him, because in this Sacrament... He offers and gives Himself to us as victim, companion, viaticum, and the pledge of future glory,"

- Pope Benedict XV

Pray for our Seminarists

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, Cora Lee Horn

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



The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Schedule:

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

Mass: Saturday Mass 6p Sunday Mass 8a

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Adoration: Wednesday 9:30a

Mass: Wednesday and Thursday 9a

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

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January 31, 2021

Fr. Cody's Corner

Preparing for Lent: Prayer

The Season of Lent is marked by three main themes: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. As we approach the Season of Lent, I want you to take some time to plan for this season so that you can celebrate it well. Often people will resort to fighting an addiction or self-improvement as the core activity for Lent, what you choose to give up. But this is not the reason for giving something up or changing our lives. We should always desire to grow and improve ourselves for then we can become whom God wants us to be. Instead, Lent is a time to simplify our lives so that we can truly encounter God; find him once again; realize his importance in our lives.

The first major theme is prayer. Many of us understand prayer as the formulaic prayers we are used to: the Our Father, the Hail Mary, the meal prayer, the Glory Be. These prayers are good and helpful for praying together and for beginning to pray. Prayer is something much deeper; prayer is our conversation with the God who loves us. The only way we can begin this route to deeper prayer and greater encounter with the Living God is to spend time in prayer. Even as little as five minutes a day can radically change your life.

Try something different for Lent this year. Challenge yourself to pray more. Try to spend at least 5 minutes a day in prayer. This could be as simple as reflecting on the words of the Our Father or the Hail Mary. This could be praying over your day at the beginning of the day or telling God about your day at the end of the day. This could be asking for things or praying for people. This could be listening to God speak through the Scriptures. This could be sitting the silence allowing God to speak to the depth of our hearts and tell us of his great love for us. Challenge yourself to try different types of prayer moving between different types throughout the weeks or days. Lent can be a time of renewal in our prayer life if we are willing to take up this challenge.



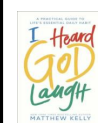
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Announcements

Latin Mass is being offered at the Cathedral of Saint Helena February 14th at 1p.



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.



I Heard God Laugh books donated by Women of Faith. Please only one per household.

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.



Bible Basics



- ◆ Explore all 72 books of the Bible in 22 weeks!
- ◆ Get familiar with themes and stories of the Bible
- ◆ Learn the basics to guide your own personal study

Thursdays at 7pm

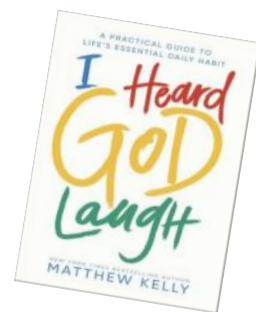
This week:

Wisdom 2: Ecclesiastes, Job and Song of Songs



I Heard God Laugh

Book discussion Tuesday February 9th at 7p after the Women of Faith meeting. Please read Parts 1 and 2 (pages 1-34).



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.



Special Olympics Montana

Help needed around the church

Bells

Volunteers Needed!



Scripture Readings



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2-7-2021

Reading 1: Job 7:1-4,6-7
Psalm 147:1-2,3-4,5-6
Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23
Gospel Mark 1:29-39

Communion Antiphon:
(Option 1)- Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.
(Option 2)- Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be consoled. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall have their fill.



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

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 two weeks in advance

Mass	Schedule
Monday February 1	No Mass
Tuesday February 2	No Mass
Wednesday February 3	Mass 9a Adoration 9:30a RE- pre-k-5th grade 5-6p MS-HS 6:15-8p Anita Kearns RB Women of Faith
Thursday February 4	Mass 9a Bible Basics 7p David and Pam Masolo RB Bob, Gay Ann and Leo Masolo
Friday February 5	OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday February 6	Confession 5-5:45p Mass 6p
Sunday February 6	Mass 8a Parish Family

Ministry Schedule

Saturday February 6, 2021

6:00 pm

Greet:

Gene and Bev Determan

Lector:

Debbie Miller

Ministry Schedule

Sunday February 7, 2021

8:00 am

Greet:

Don and Max Peace

Lector:

Gay Ann Masolo

Money Counters:

Karee Eichinger and Kristi Gersch