

Stewardship

6/11/2023

Holy Cross

Holy Cross Weekly Income

Envelopes	\$1,942.00
Loose	\$54.65
Restricted	\$215.00
Total	\$2,211.65

Holy Cross Monthly Expenses-May

City of Townsend	\$173.41
Flocknote	\$36.00
Spectrum	\$144.97
NorthWestern Energy	\$615.18
Roman Catholic Bishop of Helena	\$3,415.06

Cemetery

Cemetery Weekly Income

Short Term	
Long Term	
Grave Sites	
Total	
Cemetery Expenses-May	
NorthWestern Energy	\$54.44

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

THANK YOU!



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

"May Mary, who in the freedom of her 'Fiat' and her presence at the foot of the cross, offered to the world, Jesus, the Liberator, help us to find him in the Sacrament of the altar,"

- Pope John Paul II

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, Kaleb Mitchell, Riley Helgoe, Brett Rotz, John Cooney, Jamie Severson, Anthony Olmes, James Semling, Carter Anderson, Shae Bills, Lane Buus, Matt Keck, and Dcn. 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:

Joanie Pritchard, Elaine Graveley, Bob Masolo, Dave Welch, Marie Hoeffner, Chris and Fran Wright, Ed and Jean Boucher, Mary Alice Upton, Jackie Kynett, Martin and Margy Clark, Clara Boster, Shanna Montonario, Gene Determan, LaReissa Swenson, Jenny Schauber, Kadence Saxton, Laura Toeckes, David Kearns, Lisa Larson, Tom Arensmeyer, Jana Melling, Wally Johnston, Kay Clark, Scott Scoffield



Did You Know!

The word "Catholic" was first used by Ignatius of Antioch around the year A.D. 110. It is from the Greek word *katholikos*, which means "toward the whole." Ignatius was suggesting that the Church is a gift offered by Christ to all people.

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

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 18, 2023

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Mass: Monday and Tuesday 9:00a

Adoration: Monday 9:30a

Weekend Schedule:

Confession: Sunday 3:30-4:15p or by appointment

Mass: Sunday Mass 4:30p

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

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Please join us for

HOLY CROSS PARISH'S 2ND ANNUAL

CORNHOLE Tournament

SATURDAY, JULY 1ST

Registration @ 9:30am Bags Fly @ 10am
Holy Cross Parish: 101 S. Walnut Townsend, MT

\$50
Per Team

Guaranteed 4 Games!!

POOL PLAY IN THE MORNING
TOURNAMENT IN THE AFTERNOON

ADULT DIVISION: AT LEAST 1 PLAYER OVER 15
CHILD DIVISION: ALL PLAYERS MUST BE UNDER 15
FREE PLAY: \$10/DAY

Proceeds will benefit Townsend 1st Responders & Holy Cross

Prizes for the top 3 teams

1ST PRIZE - \$150
2ND PRIZE - \$100
3RD PRIZE - \$50

Questions? Please call the Parish Office at 406-266-4811

Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Understanding

The gift of wisdom and understanding are often seen as two aspects of the same concept. Wisdom, as I mentioned last week, helps a person to grasp the greater unity of all things and perfects the gift of charity. The gift of understanding focuses on the intellectual task of grasping created realities. Whereas the gift of wisdom perfects charity, the gift of understanding perfects the gift of faith.

We often think of understanding in very natural terms: a person grasped a difficult math problem or could understand a deeper concept of society. These types of understandings are called natural understandings and are based on the ability of the intellect. Many people are intelligent enough to be able to deduce relationships or solve complex problems but this isn't the *gift* of understanding. The gift of understanding is a supernatural gift that penetrates the deeper concepts of the world and brings out a permanent intuition. The gift of understanding is sometimes called the gift of "penetrating understanding" for it allows the person to grasp natural truths and use created things through the lens of faith. Hence the gift of understanding is rooted in faith. Not that all truth discovered through this gift are faith-based but that faith deepens through use of this gift and the intuitions are centered around faith.

The gift of understanding, like the other gifts, are not for the sake of the individual. The ability to see deeper truths, expound them, and bring them to the light, aids other people in seeing these greater realities. Whether they be from the exploration of faith or the ability to bring concepts together that aid the world. Hence, the centrality of faith in the gift of understanding. Understanding leads to faith, faith to the exploration of all natural and supernatural things.

Fr. Cody

Lord, give me the Gift of Understanding. Help me to know You and to understand Your actions in my life. Help me to especially turn to You in the most troubling moments of life. Jesus, I trust in You.

Scripture Readings



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6-25-2023

Reading 1: Jeremiah 20:10-13
Psalm: 69:8-10, 14 and 17, 33-35
Reading 2: Romans 5:12-15
Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33



MASS	Schedule
Monday June 19	Mass 9a Adoration 9:30a Ray Johnson
Tuesday June 20	Mass 9a First Responders Divine Mercy Group 7p
Wednesday June 21	No Mass
Thursday June 22	No Mass
Friday June 23	OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday June 24	No Mass Men's Movie Night 5p
Sunday June 25	Confession 3:30-4:15p Mass 4:30p Parish Family Coffee Hour After mass

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 Monday at 10a

TWO weeks in advance

Ministry Schedule

Saturday June 25, 2023

4:30pm

Greet:

Fisette Family

Lector:

Mary Duede

Gifts:

John and Missy Rauser

EM:

Alex Estrada and Marilyn Vandersloot

Money Counters:

Karee Eichinger and Kristi Gersch

YOU'RE INVITED!

Divine Mercy Group

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

@TPM

Where: Classroom downstairs

Topic: Dangers of the Tongue

Read selected entries from the Diary of St. Faustina that are discussed with this particular issue.

Reflection & Meditation

Book review: *Secrets from Heaven* by Fr. Sebastian Walshe

Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet



**PARISH MASSES
LIVE STREAMING**



We are livestreaming again! If you know of homebound parishioners or other people who could benefit from a virtual Mass, let them know that it is available on our Sacraments page on the website (holycrossmt.org).

We could use someone to help with the livestream. If you are interested please contact Fr. Cody



Catholic Extension is giving us a \$30,000 grant to help get new pews. There is one catch. We must match the money \$2 for every \$1 they give us. Basically we need to raise \$60,000 by Dec. 31, 2023. This may seem like a daunting or difficult task. We have already raised \$18,750 of it through donations that came after the grant was submitted. We re-

ceived a generous donation of \$30,000 before the grant was submitted. If we raise the requisite \$60,000, then we will reach our goal of \$125,000. I ask you to be generous and help us get this incredible grant. If each household donates \$500 by Dec. 31 to the pews, then the project is set to be completed next summer.

Have A Seat!

Heavenly Father,
you entrusted your Son Jesus,
the child of Mary,
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.
Bless all fathers
as they care for their families.
Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience;
support them in the work they have to do,
protecting those who look to them,
as we look to you for love and salvation,
through Jesus Christ our rock and defender.

Amen.



Help needed for the Cornhole Tournament!
Sign up sheets for various roles are in the back of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Cody.

Dcn. Kyle Tannehill will be ordained a priest on June 23rd at 3p at the cathedral in Helena. Everyone is encouraged to go and support him especially if you've never been to a priestly ordination



APPETIZERS FOR

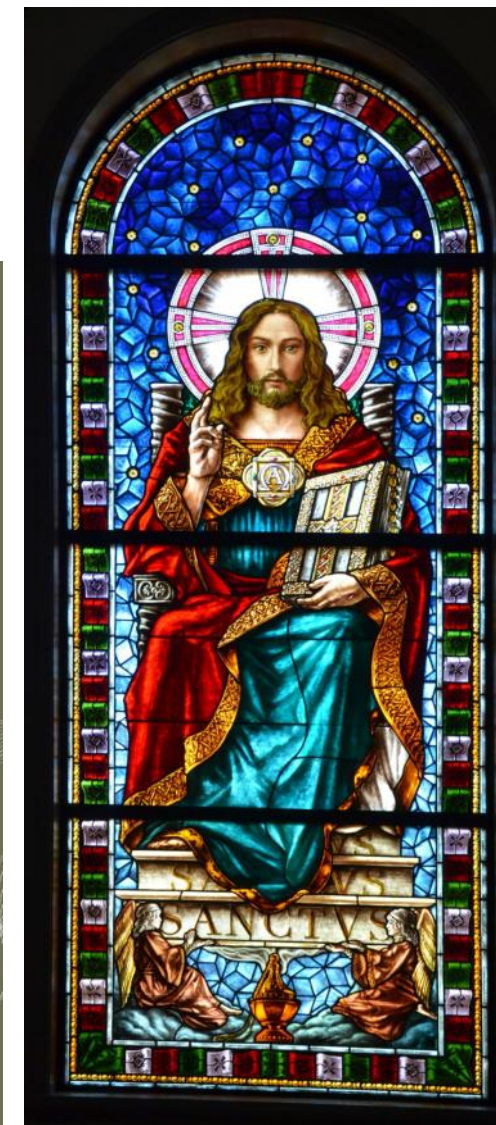
DADS!

SUNDAY
JUNE 18, 2023

AFTER MASS DOWNSTAIRS

Hosting by
The Woman of Faith

Appetizer includes:
Meatballs, Deviled Eggs, Veggie Platter, Crackers & Cheese
Drinks:
Iced Tea, Lemonade, & Coffee



Ursuline Centre – Great Falls, Montana

Couples tell us that seeing the program announced repeatedly in their Bulletin gave them the courage to pick up the phone and make the call. Most say that Retrouvaille was the lifeline that helped their marriage and their family.

By running the announcement below for the upcoming Retrouvaille weekend right now and continuing to run a new announcement every week (if possible) through July 30th you give marriages and their hurting families a chance to heal. We thank you in advance!

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT WEEK #5

Married Singles Lifestyle - The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Our next program begins August 4, 2023. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com. Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.

Here is the next Retrouvaille bulletin announcement for the upcoming Retrouvaille weekend on **August 4-6, 2023, at the Ursuline Centre, Great Falls.**

JUNE IS
PROLIFE
MONTH



JUNE-24!

Let's Celebrate LIFE!

Thank you to everyone who donated and helped with VBS.



HOLY CROSS PARISH

MEN'S MOVIE NIGHT

Please join us for films that are focused on fatherhood and masculinity.

JUNE 3, 10, 24, & JULY 1

5 PM TO 9 PM

APPETIZERS PROVIDED

June 3: October Sky

June 10: Becket

June 24: On the Waterfront

July 1: Cinderella Man



UPCOMING EVENTS

RE Game Night, Tuesday, June 27th from 5-7 pm.
Dinner provided.

THE CHURCH IS BACK IN
ORDINARY TIME, BUT EVERY DAY
IS EXTRAORDINARY,
A GIFT FROM GOD,
AND CAN BE AN OUTBURST OF
GOD'S GRACE AND MERCY.

TIMOTHY CARDINAL DOLAN

Prayer ^{FOR} Ordinary Time

God of Eternity,

As I walk the path of Ordinary Time, help me to count the many ways you are present ~

in the comings and goings of family, friends, coworkers, and acquaintances;

in the sounds of summer and the beauty of your magnificent creation;

in the daily routines and responsibilities that make up the rhythm of my days.

Make all time extra-ordinary as I seek to become more attuned to your presence.

Amen.