

# Stewardship

## Holy Cross

### Holy Cross Weekly Income

Envelopes	
Youth	
Loose	
Online Giving	
Total	

### Holy Cross Monthly Expenses-March

City of Townsend	\$173.41
NorthWestern Energy	\$648.43
Montana Energy Alliance	\$2,118.95
Spectrum	\$144.97
Flocknote	\$36.00
Geisser Services	\$1,440.00
Roman Catholic Bishop	\$6,088.22
Big Sky Fire & Safety	\$933.00

## Cemetery

### Cemetery Weekly Income

Grave Sites	
Short Term	
Long Term	
Open & Close Gravesite	
Memorial	
Total	

### Cemetery Expenses-March

Big Sky Sprinklers & Landscaping	\$220.00
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Please consider a memorial for your loved ones to the Holy Cross Cemetery instead of flowers.

*THANK YOU!*



### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

"What happiness do we not feel in the Presence of God, when we are alone at His feet... Redouble your fervor; you are alone to adore your God; His eyes rest upon you alone,"

- St. John Vianney

### 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, and Matt Keck

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:



Elaine Graveley, Bob Masolo, Fran Wright, Ed and Jean Boucher, Mary Alice Upton, Martin and Margy Clark, Clara Boster, Shanna Montonario, LaReissa Swenson, Jenny Schaubert, Kadence Saxton, Tom Grewell and family, Alex Bakken, Millie Sullivan, JL and Janet Jones, Vince Boster, Paulette Obrigewitch, Nicole Ito, John Clark, Lynette Swetye and Ryder. Monte Schnur

### Pop Quiz:

What are the three parts of the Rite of Confirmation?

1. The laying on of hands
2. The anointing with Chrism Oil
3. The Sign of Peace

On Palm Sunday, the priest can wear two types of vestments. What are they called?

The cope for the procession and the chasuble for the Mass.

According to the Gospels, what time of day did Jesus rise from the tomb?

Before dawn while it was still dark.

**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.**



Second Sunday of Easter

# Holy Cross Parish

April 7, 2024

### 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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# Save The Date

for the Holy Cross



Saturday, May 4th

Sign-up sheets are on the table in the narthex.

We need everyone's help for this event to be a success

Find more information inside the bulletin

Please pick up your raffle tickets to sell in preparation for the bazaar.

The Sacred Triduum

I know that by now the Triduum has passed and Easter has begun. Nevertheless, knowing where we have been and how those events factor into the Easter Season is valuable if not for this year, then next year.

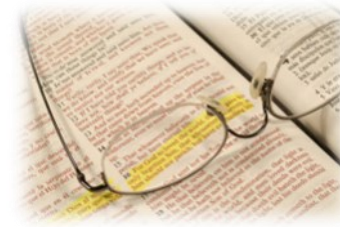
Last time we covered the Mass of the Lord's Supper celebrated on Holy Thursday. That Mass set the tone for the next two parts of that Mass: the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and the Easter Vigil.

The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion celebrated on Good Friday is one of the most unique liturgies of the year. Not only is it not a Mass with no Eucharistic prayer but we venerate the Cross, have an extended form of the General Intercessions, and the liturgy begins and ends in silence. Having left the church the night before in complete silence with the Blessed Sacrament removed from the church, we begin this liturgy with the Blessed Sacrament remaining removed and silence marking its beginning. The priest processes forward like normal but in silence. He lays prostrate on the floor in silence with everyone kneeling. Once he rises, he prays the opening prayer and the liturgy has begun. With a few exceptions, everything proceeds like normal. We, however, read the entire Passion account from John's Gospel and always John's Gospel. The triumphal tone of his Gospel gives a different vibe from Passion Sunday in that Jesus wanted to go to the Cross and his death was a triumph. Following the reading of the Passion, we start the Solemn Intercessions. The intercession we use for the Mass are normally short prayers with the response "Lord hear our prayer." The Solemn Intercession of Good Friday are quite long. Each prayer has a part by the reader and a prayer by the priest. These 12 intercessions were added by the reforms under Pope Pius XII to mark the most essential things we need to pray for during this sacred time.

The most prominent parts of the Good Friday liturgy complete the liturgy. Following the intercessions, the cross is brought forward. The cross can be either solemnly brought into the church or unveiled at the foot of the altar. This moment remembers and recognizes the solemnity of the day as the day that Jesus died. The priest venerates the cross with shoes removed and then invites everyone else to do the same. Some priests change the sequence of the events so that Communion comes first and then veneration. The proper sequence of events shows to the people that the one we venerate is the one we eat. How can we consume the Body and Blood of Jesus if he had not died? How can we understand the profoundness of our sacred meal if we did not first adore the one who made it possible? We venerate the Body of Jesus as it hung on the cross then we consume him. Thus, the final part of the Good Friday liturgy is Communion. This is Communion without the Eucharistic Prayer. After the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the altar is stripped. Now we set up the altar only for Communion. We simply begin with the Our Father and end with Communion. After the Solemn Blessing everyone leaves in silence with the cross remaining exposed in the center of the church. This is the only day of the year when we genuflect to the Crucifix.

Fr. Cody

*Scripture Readings*



Third Sunday of Easter

4-14-2024

Reading 1: Acts 3:13-15,17-19  
 Psalm: 4:2,4,7-8,9  
 Reading 2: 1 John 2:1-5a  
 Gospel: Luke 24:35-48



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 Monday at 10a  
TWO weeks in advance

MASS	Schedule
Monday April 8	Mass 9a Adoration 9:30a Catholicism 101 7p
Tuesday April 9	Mass 9a
Wednesday April 10	No Mass
Thursday April 11	No Mass
Friday April 12	No Mass
Saturday April 13	No Mass
Sunday April 14	Confession 3:30p Mass 4:30p Parish Family RE 5:45-7p Knights Dinner after mass for the Guatemala Mission

**Ministry Schedule**

Sunday April 14, 2024 4:30pm

Greet:	John and Missy Rauser
Lector:	Mary Duede
Gifts:	Dan and Bernadette Swenson
EM:	John Bleile and Alex Estrada
Money Counters:	Bernadette Swenson and Sara Holmes

Mondays 7-8:30p

The next topic is "The Last Things: Heaven, Hell, and Purgatory" on Monday, April 15th. The notes are posted on the website and a livestream version is available. If you would like to join the livestream version, send an email to [frcwilliams@holycrossmt.org](mailto:frcwilliams@holycrossmt.org)

# Catholicism 101

Do you know someone who is interested in learning about Catholicism? Would you like to know your faith a little better? Then, this series is for you!

Mondays 7-8:30

Schedule of the topics on the bench in the entryway.

A livestream option for Catholicism 101 will be available on Mondays from 7-8:30 and on Thursdays from 6:30-8. Please invite your friends and family members who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. All are welcome!



Hey kids, want some candy? Fr. Cody has a challenge for you. Using the bingo cards, once per Mass, if you recognize one of the words on the Bingo card from the Mass, show it to Fr. Cody and he will give you a stamp. If you get a bingo, you get candy. Bingo cards are available on the info table in the narthex.



Congratulations! Congratulation to Charles and Natalie Ringenberg for receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist and becoming a full member of the Catholic Church!



On the third Sunday of each month a blessing table will be set up in the entrance of the church. You are welcome to bring any objects of devotion that you would like blessed and Fr. Cody will bless them after Mass. This will be available each third Sunday of the month. Please keep all your items to be blessed with you until the end of Mass. Once Mass is ended, Fr. Cody will come to the entrance of the Church and bless any of the objects that are on the table. Those objects that are on the table belong to the people who want them blessed and are not free for the taking.

*Blessings*



Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month, we will have Adoration and Confessions from 9 am to noon. This is a great opportunity to spend some time with Jesus who is present in bodily form in the Eucharist as well as celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You are welcome to come for as little or as much time as you wish. Resources will be available to help you pray and make the most of the time you have. I encourage everyone to come and use this opportunity.

Next Holy Hour April 27th



Book Sale: Karen Simonich is hosting a book sale on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month. You are welcome to look through them and see if you are interested in any of them.



Matt & Jackie Redeagle would like to invite the parish family to join them in celebrating their baby girl coming! All are welcome! If you would like to bring a gift they have a gift registry at [babylist.com/matt-jackie-redeagle](http://babylist.com/matt-jackie-redeagle). April 20th Time: 3:30-5:30pm

# Spring BAZAAR

**Saturday, May 4th 12:00 pm—3:00 pm**

Ham dinner with scalloped potatoes and green beans, relish tray and peach cobbler dessert!

- Cost: \$30.00 for immediate family
- \$15.00 for single adult
- \$10.00 for students
- Under 4 Free

Silent auction, raffle, bake sale, craft sale and outdoor activities including free throw competition, cornhole and cake walk.

**Please sign up on sheets in Narthex to help!**

# CREATED GOOD

## Townsend Community Family Night

DINNER  
PROVIDED



FOR THE  
WHOLE  
FAMILY

Let's explore the goodness of our humanity through activities and events that focus on being created in God's image.

**When:** 1st Sunday of every month  
5:45-7:00 pm  
**Where:** Holy Cross Parish Center  
101 S. Walnut St.

~~Jan. 7th: Christmas Party~~  
~~Feb. 4th: What do I do with my life?~~  
~~March 3rd: What does it mean to be forgiven?~~  
~~April 7th: Easter Party~~  
**May 5th:** How do I make strong relationships?

## FREE EVENT

### Who would like to go on a pilgrimage?

I would like to lead a pilgrimage for any parishioners who would like to go. I would like your input. If you are interested in going on a pilgrimage, let me know which location you would prefer.

1. Rome and Italy
2. The Holy Land
3. Greece and Turkey to follow the route of St. Paul
4. Spain and the way of St. James
5. Mexico and Our Lady of Guadalupe
6. Wisconsin and the only approved Marian apparition in the US as well as the sites of the martyrs in the northeast.
7. Ireland

## Montana's FIRST-EVER Statewide Fishing Tournament

June 1<sup>st</sup> – June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024



17 Lakes, 5 fish species, 9 days of fishing!

Big and small fish pots and other competitions available, including a Knights of Columbus Challenge!

Visit [www.cssmt.org/fishing-for-families/](http://www.cssmt.org/fishing-for-families/) to register and view information about the event, including rules, lakes, fish species, and prizes.

Register by May 24<sup>th</sup>. Entry fees- \$40 for adults, \$20 for youth. Participants can fish on any of the 17 lakes between 8:00am on June 1<sup>st</sup> and 8:00pm on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Prizes will be awarded to top finishers.

This fundraiser supports the charitable ministries of Catholic Social Services of Montana.

Scan this QR code to be taken to the tournament website!



QUILTING LADIES

# BABY BASKET DRIVE

COLLECTION  
SUNDAYS  
APRIL 7-28

The Quilting Ladies are creating Baby Gift Baskets for expecting mothers and new mothers in our community. The gift baskets will be filled with essential baby and mother needs as well as fun items for the babies. Please donate only the items listed below.

NEW ITEMS ONLY.

A collection box marked "Baby Basket Drive" is in the narthex during the month of April. Sunday April 28 is the last Sunday for collecting items for the baskets. We will present the Baby Baskets on Mother's Day.

### ITEMS WE'RE COLLECTING ARE: (New items only)

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|------------------|------------------------|
| BABY BOTTLES     | BABY SPOONS            |
| SIPPY CUPS       | BIBS                   |
| BABY WIPES       | BABY HAND SANITIZER    |
| PETROLEUM JELLY  | NAIL CLIPPERS          |
| BABY BOARD BOOKS | SAFETY OUTLET PLUGS    |
| CHILDREN'S BOOK  | BABY BODY WASH         |
| BABY BATH TOYS   | BABY SHAMPOO           |
| RUBBER DUCK      | BABY BATH TOWELS       |
| PACIFIER         | DIAPERS (SIZE NB TO 2) |
| DIAPER CREAM     | THERMOMETER            |
| INFANT SOCKS     | TEETHING RINGS         |
| BAB WASHCLOTHS   | LAUNDRY BASKET         |
| BABY DISH SET    | ONESIES                |
| BABY LOTION      | GIFT CERTIFICATE       |
| BABY BLANKET     | GIFT CARDS             |

