



Let's spruce up the sanctuary with flower bouquets for the Lord placed in front of the altar to help elevate our worship.

Please consider making a donation to help with the cost of flowers.
Thank you!

PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV

O great St. Peregrine, you have been called "The Mighty," "The Wonder-Worker," because of the numerous miracles which you have obtained from God for those who have had recourse to you.

For so many years you bore in your own flesh this cancerous disease that destroys the very fiber of our being, and who had recourse to the source of all grace when the power of man could do no more. You were favored with the vision of Jesus coming down from His Cross to heal your affliction.

Ask of God and Our Lady, the cure of the sick whom we entrust to you. O St Peregrine, pray for our Holy Father, Pope Leo.

Aided in this way by your powerful intercession, we shall sing to God, now and for all eternity, a song of gratitude for His great goodness and mercy.

Holy Mary, Health of the Sick, gather our Holy Father under your mantle. Stay close to him in his suffering and comfort him as you comforted your Son. Bring our prayers to the Lord, that He may grant him healing and give him strength to keep shepherding the Church and serving the world. Amen.

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Parish potlucks

Every 4th Sunday of the month after Sunday morning mass. Each circle will rotate and be responsible for facilitating the potluck including set-up, clean-up, and help make sure there is enough food.

October 25: Love
November 22: Peace
December 27: No Potluck

Magnificats

It's that time of year again to start planning for next year's Magnificat subscriptions. Regular print and large print available. Regular print is \$42 each for a one year subscription that begins February 2027. Large print is \$69 each for a one year subscription that begins January 2027. Please order and pay at the parish office. Orders due by November 2nd.

Thank you to all who contributed to the "Townsend's Little Treasures" silent auction basket for the Bishop's Gala. It was one of the Top 5 silent auction baskets donated.

Great job Holy Cross!



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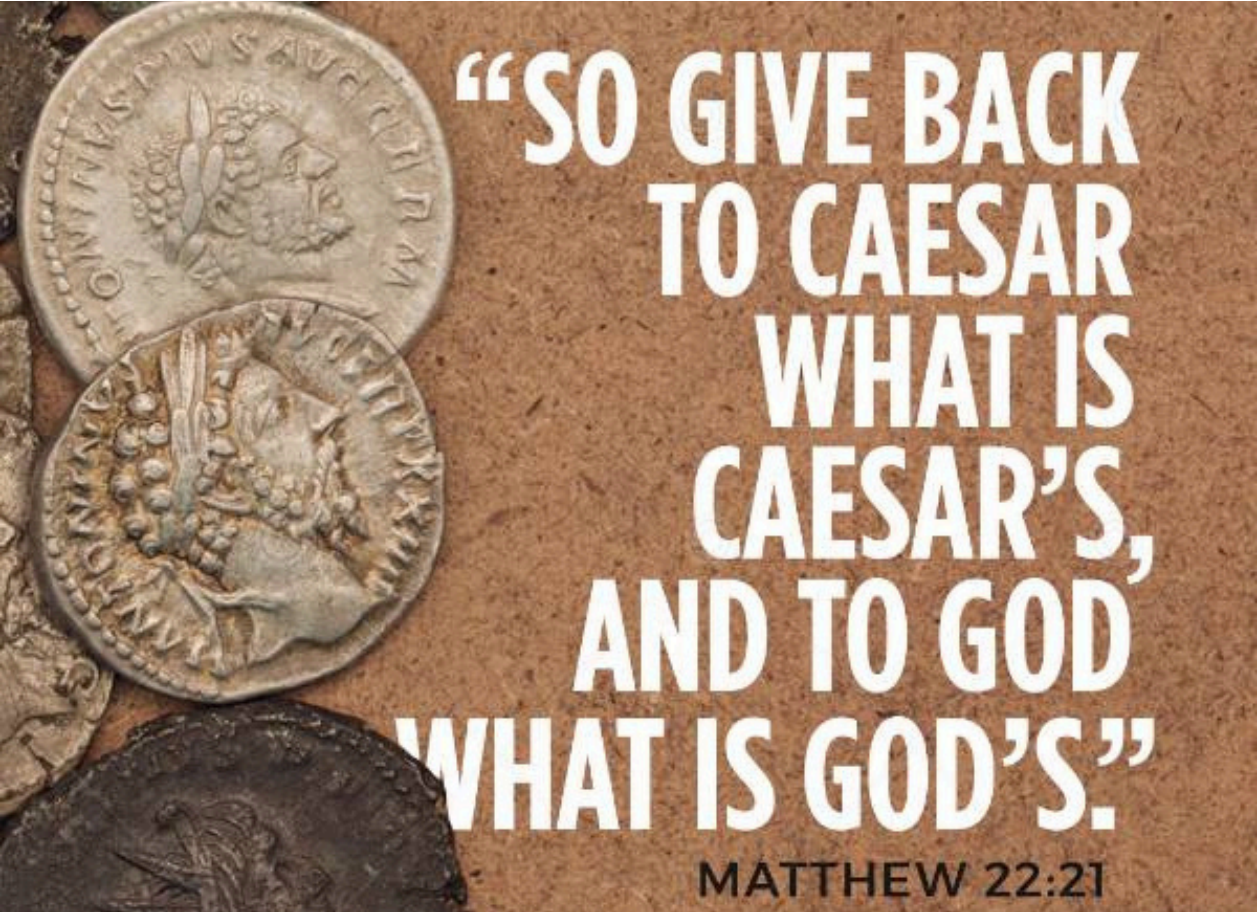
Call (406)389-7050 or
Email foundation@dohmt.org



HOLY CROSS PARISH

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 18, 2026



Weekday Mass Schedule:

Mass: Wednesday and Thursday 12:00p
Adoration & Confession: Wednesday 12:45p-1:45p

Weekend Schedule:

Confession: Sunday 8:00-8:45a or by appointment
Mass: Sunday Mass 9:00a
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:30a to 12:00p

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Faith Formation

- RE Class: 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month after 9:00am mass
- Family formation at home encouraged on weekends when there is no RE class - materials provided
- Light Breakfast served to youth prior to class
- See holycrossmt.org for registration or contact Shawna Wickens

PreK-6th grade

- **10/18/26: RE Class**
 - Gospel - Matthew 22:15-24 "Give to Caesar and to God"
 - Lesson Theme - We belong to Go
 - Catholic Doctrine - Old Testament: Covenant with God
- **10/25/26: Parish potluck after mass & Family Formation at home**
 - Gospel - Matthew 22:34-40 "What are the Greatest Commandments"
 - Lesson Theme - Jesus teaches us to love God & neighbor
 - Catholic Doctrine - New Testament: The Great Commandment

7th grade - High school

- **10/18/26: RE Class**
 - Begin Season 1 Episode 1 of the Chosen series and discover and discuss it's theme as it is applies to Scripture.
- **10/25/26: Parish Potluck after mass & Family Formation at home**

There are ministry surveys in the pews. Please pray about what talents you can share in the upcoming year, fill out the surveys and return to the church office. Thank you for your willingness to serve!



Donation Price Match

September 1 - November 30 Town Pump will match any donations to Broadwater Food Pantry dollar for dollar

Mail Donations to: PO Box 1164, Townsend, MT 59644



Help Us Keep a Sacred Tradition Alive

Rosary Leaders Needed!

Our parish is in need of volunteers to lead the 8:30 AM Rosary before the 9:00 AM Sunday Mass. Please contact the parish office if you are available to lead.

Please join the Helena Catholic Journey Community for our 'Harvest Gathering'

St Mary Catholic Community - 1700 Missoula Ave
Tuesday, October 20th at 6:00 pm.

A free Italian meal served by members of the Journey Community.

Guest speaker: Eric Kroeger, Executive Director of Good Samaritan Ministry.

This is a family friendly event. Come dine with us and find out what is happening at 'Good Sam's'

(a free will offering will be collected for Good Samaritan Ministry)



Coming Soon to Frassati Gym @



601 W. Cameron Ave., Belgrade, MT

Public welcome on:

- October 20: 7-9 PM (Adults only and please RSVP for our hors d'oeuvre count)
- October 21: 7-9 PM
- October 22: 7-9 PM
- October 24: 9AM -1 PM

Questions or to RSVP for the Adult Night: carolyn.nealen@dmamnt.org

Adult Formation Group

Wednesdays 6:00pm

Beginning October 21st

We will be studying Mary Healy's book

"Men and Women are from Eden"

A study of St. John Paul II's

Theology of the Body

A few extra books have been ordered so please come even if you haven't signed up.

Book cost is \$15

Holy Cross Contributions

Week ending October 11th

Total Weekly Contribution

\$1,405.93

Total Weekly Goal \$2,692.31

Monthly Summary

Week 1

\$2,902.47

Week 2

\$1,405.93

Week 3

Week 4

Total Monthly Contribution

\$4,353.40

Sept.'s Monthly Budget Variance

110%

Total Year to Date

\$41,197.08

% Year to Date Goal

103%

Thank you for your generosity!

October 25, 2026

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading -
Exodus 22:20-26

Psalms - 18:2-3, 3-47, 51

Second Reading -
1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Gospel -
Matthew 22:31-40

Weekly Schedule

Monday (October 19)

Tuesday (October 20)

Wednesday (October 21)

- **Mass 12:00pm**
 - Harold Gibbs rb Terry Love
- **Adoration and Confession 12:45p**
- **Adult Formation Group 6:00p**
 - *Men & Women are From Eden book study*

Thursday (October 22)

- **Mass 12:00pm**
 - Homebound

Friday (October 23)

- **Moms and Littles group 10:00a**

Saturday (October 24)

Sunday (October 25)

- **Confession 8:00 am** **Rosary 8:30am**
- **Mass 9:00 am**
 - Parish Family
- **Parish Potluck 10:00a (hosted by Circle of Love)**

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.

Riley Helgoe, Anthony Olmes, James Semling, Jamie Severson, Carter Anderson, Shae Bills, Matt Keck, Carson Gorton, Jake Smith, Liam Aippersback, Ryan Frampton, Peter Fiocchi, Nathan Olmes, and John Cooney

Pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

Prayer Chain

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

John Clark, Martin and Margy Clark, Don and Jenny Schaubert, Franklin Silifka, Anthony Van Houdt, Repose of the soul of Juanita Bray

Ministry Schedule

Sunday October 25, 2026

9:00am

Greet: John and Missy Rauser
Altar Servers: Lucas Bleile, Malikai Fisette, and Mathyas Fisette
Lector: Julie Lethert
Gifts: Richard Majszak
EM (Precious Body): Tom Lethert
EM: Karen Simonich and Tacy Swanton
Money Counters: Karee Reiman and Kristi Gersch