

# Stewardship

12-11/12-12-2021

Holy Cross

## Holy Cross Weekly Income

39 Envelopes	\$3,171.00
Loose	\$81.50
5 Holy Day	\$112.00
2 Christmas	\$150.00
1 Reimbursement	\$1,440.11
1 Bells	\$25.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,029.61</b>

## Holy Cross Monthly Expenses-November

City of Townsend	\$173.41
Flocknote	\$22.00
Spectrum	\$114.97
NorthWestern Energy	\$1,220.64
Broadwater County Treasurer	\$1,932.98
Roman Catholic Bishop of Helena	\$5,852.42
The Verdin Company-bells	\$8,064.00
Geisser Services	\$650.00
US Postmaster-mailbox renewal	\$102.00
Formed	\$999.00
Don Walters-sprinkler blowout	\$110.00

Short Term \$100.00

## Cemetery Expenses-November

NorthWestern Energy	\$33.63
Geisser Services	\$650.00

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

THANK YOU!



### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

"United with the angels and saints of the heavenly Church, let us adore the most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. Prostrate, we adore this great mystery that contains God's new and definitive covenant with humankind in Christ."

- 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, Dcn. Matthew Christiaens, Dcn. Tyler Frohlich, Kaleb Mitchell, Riley Helgoe, Brett Rotz, John Cooney, Alex Ramirez, Jamie Severson, Alex Olmes, Anthony Olmes, James Semling 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:

Joanie Pritchard, Elaine Graveley, Marie Hoeffner, Fran Wright, Ed and Jean Boucher, Mary Alice Upton, Jackie Kynett, Shanna Montonario, Betty Devaney, Martin and Margy Clark, Clara Boster, Steve Kitt, Cora Lee Horne, Mary Pat Sullivan, Mike and Jeanie Ferguson, Felicia and Mike Head, Gene Determan, LaReissa Swenson, Jenny Schaubert, David Deitz, Charmain Kobl, Connie Rezendes, William Hart, special intentions, Earl and Marj Kohn, Kim Schaubert, Charlene, Vasquez-Zuniga family, Paul Friend, Amy Ghorssen, Frank and Sally Majszak

Which five major feasts mark the Season of Christmas?

Holy Cross recommends that the following be respected:

**Christian Burial:**

What events of Jesus' life do we celebrate on Epiphany?

Notice should be made with the priest before arrangements are made with the funeral director.

Which days constitute the 12 Day of Christmas? Which day is the 12<sup>th</sup>?

**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.



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Weekend Schedule:

Confession: Saturday 4:00—4:45p

Sunday 7:30-7:45a or by appointment

Mass: Saturday Mass 5p Sunday Mass 8a

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Mass: Wednesday and Thursday 9a

Adoration: Wednesday 9:30a

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

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December 19, 2021



# Advent:

# A Journey to Joy



# Announcements

"Any book which inspires us to lead a better life is a good book."~

Blessed Fulton Sheen

Our parish family has been gifted a beautiful book *The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen*. There are copies available in the narthex for your taking. There is one for each household, a Christmas gift this season generously donated by our Book Ministry and Women of Faith.

Who was Fulton Sheen?

Fulton Sheen, an American Archbishop, was one of the greatest communicators to ever live. He is famous for reminding millions of television viewers each week that, "Life is worth living!" and was literally the face of Catholicism in the United States for forty years. His cause for sainthood is presently underway and he has attained the title of Blessed.

In this beautiful collection of inspiring quotes from Sheen's life and works, we see the heart, mind, and soul of this incredible man. *The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen* is a powerful collection of writings that will encourage you to think differently about who you are, how your life is unfolding, what God is calling you to next, and what priorities will lead you to the peace and purpose you desire.



Wishing you a Blessed Christmas Season!



For bells could toll!

We are in the process of purchasing a new bell system for our church. The goal is to have it installed by Christmas. The new system is fairly expensive: \$8064.00. If you are willing to donate to help fund this new bell system, please write a check with "bells" in the memo line. Thank you. We hope to be tolling by Christmas. \$3,175.00 donated so far.

**Come Let Us Worship**



Goal \$20,300

Pledged \$12,275

Paid \$10,560

% of Participation 33.33%

Holy Cross is in charge of the Food Pantry the month of January. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet back in the narthex. Please pray about it and give an hour or two of your time. Any question call Doris Mingay (406)980-2011.



Christmas Mass Schedule:



Eve Mass December 24th at 8p

Midnight Mass December 25th at 12a

December 25th No 5p Mass

Laundry

Have you ever wondered what happens to the linens after they are used for the Mass? I'm guessing that most people haven't thought about it. If you have, you probably guessed that they are put into a laundry machine and then dried. Well, kind of. The church has specific rules for washing the linens used during the Mass. Since they contain some of the Body and Blood of Christ on them, they must be treated with reverence and respect. The linens are first soaked in water to leach out and dissolve any remnant pieces of the Body and Blood of Christ that may have remained on the cloths. They the linens are laundered like normal laundry. The water that the linens soaked in must be poured out onto the group. Fun fact: what should you do if consecrated wine is spilled or a consecrated host has been carelessly discarded, damaged, or defiled? For Consecrated Wine the consecrated wine must be soaked up with a purificator (linen used in the Mass), then the spot diluted with water, then cleaned like normal. A Consecrated Host cannot be thrown away. Consecrated hosts must either be eaten or dissolved in water until it no longer resembles bread (which takes many days), then it can be poured into the group.



Scripture Readings



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

12-26-2021

Reading 1: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14  
 Psalm: 128:1-2, 3, 4-5  
 Reading 2: Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17  
 Gospel: Luke 2:41-52



MASS	Schedule
Monday December 20	NO MASS
Tuesday December 21	NO MASS
Wednesday December 22	Mass 9a Adoration 9:30a Fr Richard Kluk RE- Pre-k thru 5th 5-6:15p MS thru HS 6:15-8p
Thursday December 23	Mass 9a First Responders
Friday December 24 Christmas Eve	OFFICE CLOSED Mass 8p
Saturday December 25 Christmas Day	Mass 12a Homebound Parishioners No 5p Mass
Sunday December 26	Confession 7:15-7:45a Mass 8a Parish Family Coffee Hour after mass

Ministry Schedule

Friday December 24, 2021

8:00 pm

Greet: Monte and Cathy Armstrong  
 Lector: Gay Ann Masolo  
 Gifts: Tom and Nora Bazuin

Ministry Schedule

Saturday December 25, 2021

12:00 am

Greet: Meagan Poe  
 Lector:  
 Gifts:

If you are sick, do not come to Mass until you are well. If you have access to the internet, you may participate in Mass that is livestreamed at [holycrossmt.org](http://holycrossmt.org)

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

Sunday December 26, 2021

8:00 am

Greet: Bleile Family  
 Lector: Mary Duede  
 Gifts: Eichinger Family  
 Money Counters: Karee Eichinger and Kristi Gersch