

# Stewardship

1/21-22/2023

Holy Cross

## Holy Cross Weekly Income

Envelopes	\$1,367.00
Loose	\$128.91
Holy Day	\$20.00
Restricted	\$80.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,595.91</b>

## Holy Cross Monthly Expenses-December

City of Townsend	\$173.41
Flocknote	\$36.00
Spectrum	\$134.97
MT Energy Alliance	\$3,426.37
Geisser Services	\$1,450.00
NorthWestern Energy	\$748.51
Roman Catholic Bishop of Helena	\$1,254.02
Diocese of Helena-Special Collection Funds	\$592.00

## Cemetery

### Cemetery Weekly Income

Short Term
Long Term
Grave Sites
<b>Total</b>

### Cemetery Expenses-December

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

**THANK YOU!**



### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth,"

- Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

### 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, Alex Olmes, Anthony Olmes, James Semling, Carter Anderson, Shae Bills, Lane Buus, Matt Keck, Jack Reed 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, Marie Hoeffner, Chris and Fran Wright, Ed and Jean Boucher, Mary Alice Upton, Jackie Kynett, Shanna Montonario, Martin and Margy Clark, Clara Boster, Mary Pat Sullivan, Gene Determan, LaReissa Swenson, Jenny Schaubert, Connie Rezendes, William Hart, Kim Schaubert, Paul Friend, Amy Ghorsen, Frank and Sally Majszak, John Clark, Don Larsen, Carl Lorentzen, Dan and Marie Stover, Roy, Mary McWhorter, Bob Masolo, Dave Welch, John Woodring, Julie Whitman, Nancy Martin, Nicki Ito, Karen Susag, Kadence Saxton, Bob Graveley, Laura Toeckes, David Kearns

### Did You Know ?

The Church set a minimum requirement for what it means to be a practicing Catholic. Although some of these may surprise you, these come directly from the Catechism and are called the "5 Precepts of the Church"

- 1) To attend Mass on Sundays and Holy days of obligation.
- 2) To fast and abstain on the days appointed.
- 3) To confess one's sins at least once a year.
- 4) To receive Holy Communion during the Easter time.
- 5) To tithe/ contribute to the support of the Church.

### 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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29, 2023

### Weekday Mass Schedule:

Mass: Wednesday and Thursday 9:00a

Adoration: Wednesday 9:30a

### Weekend Schedule:

Confession: Saturday 4:00-4:45p

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

Mass: Saturday Mass 5:00p Sunday Mass 8:00a

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

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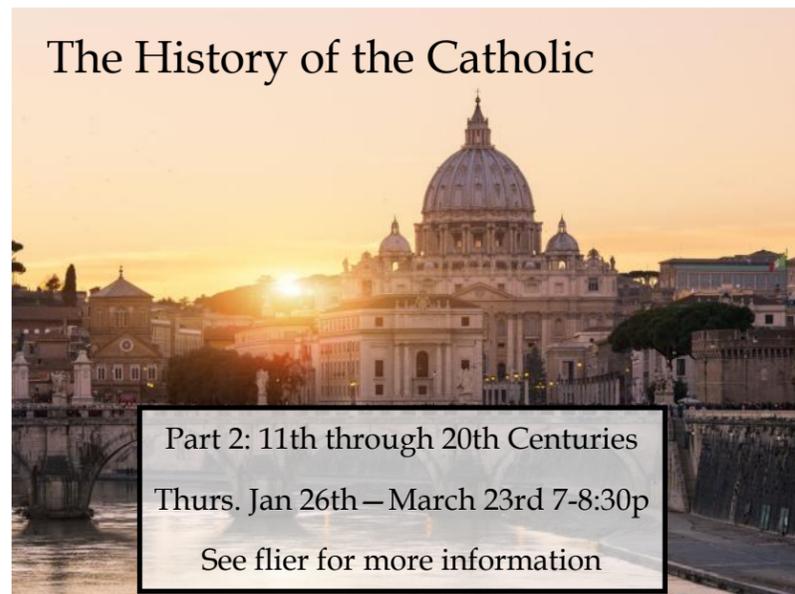
# Ministry Highlights

## Sacristan:

Sacristans play an important background role in the celebration of the Mass. Everything from putting out the vessels, turning on the lights, adjusting the amount of host and wine, and various other tasks are part of the role of the Sacristan. They also help during the Mass if the priest needs something.

## Small Groups:

when we think of small groups, we tend to think of support or self-help groups. The newest wave of Catholic thought is trying to revive small groups from their medieval pinnacle. The goal of a small group is for a small number of people to get together and support each other on the walk of faith. Small groups can meet for time with the focus of reading a book, studying a topic, or praying together. Or they can have continual meetings and continue to develop their practice of the faith. If you would like to join a small group (given that we have few at the parish), contact Fr. Cody



**The History of the Catholic**

Part 2: 11th through 20th Centuries  
Thurs. Jan 26th – March 23rd 7-8:30p  
See flier for more information



The Annual Catholic Appeal kicked off. The Diocesan goal is \$2 million. Our parish goal is \$20,700. Every little bit counts. We have currently raised \$19,715.00

St. Mary's Church in Helena is hosting a in-person Virtus training for all those who are interested. The training is scheduled for Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm. All those who work with the homebound and children are required to be Virtus compliant (have attended the training and read the monthly bulletins). If you are interested, sign up for the training on [virtus.org](http://virtus.org).



# Announcements

**52 SUNDAYS** Beginning January 1, 2023 a new, free online resource that can help Catholic families make the most of their Sunday worship is available. Sign up to receive a weekly email that is filled with prayers, activities, recipes and more to support and extend the lessons of each Sunday mass. More information at [www.52sundays.com](http://www.52sundays.com).



## Have A Seat!

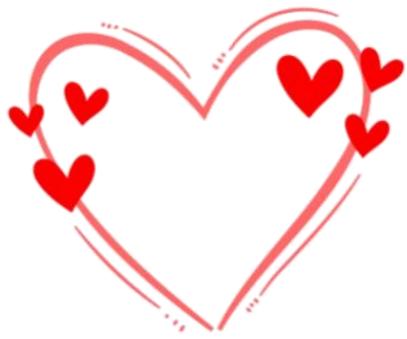
After consultation with the Pastoral and Finance Councils as well as those who came to the parish meetings, we are moving forward with buying new pews. This project contains several parts. The first part is new pews and kneelers. In addition to the new pews, we will be adding cushioning to the pews to make them more comfortable. This part of the project will cost approximately \$75,000. As we remove the pews, the goal is remove the carpet and put in new, easier to clean flooring. This part of the project will cost \$45,000. The total amount to be raised is \$120,000. Don't let this number alarm you. Through special donations we have already raised \$25,000. I have written a few grants to help with the cost of the pews. If we get them, I will let you know. The goal is to keep working at raising money until we have enough to complete both parts of the project. If you are interested in donating to the pew project - Have A Seat! - simply write a check with "pews" in the memo line. I will keep you updated on our progress.



**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](http://holycrossmt.org)).



## SWEETHEART DINNER

Holy Cross youth will be hosting the annual Sweetheart dinner on Sunday, February 19, 2023 with three dine-in seating options at 5:00pm, 5:45 pm and 6:30 pm. Dinner will include your choice of stuffed salmon or steak with salad, bread, sides and dessert. Cost of the meal is \$35/person. If you would like to attend please contact the parish office or Shawna Wickens at 406-594-3714 no later than noon on February 9th. Childcare will be available. The sweetheart dinner is a fundraiser to support the youth of our parish to be able to assist in the cost of many youth activities such as attendance at Legendary Lodge as well as other events. Thank you for

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Ash Wednesday Mass:  
Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm  
Soup Supper following Mass

Saturday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>: Holy Hour  
Extended time of Adoration from 12-4 pm  
Come and spend some time with Jesus.  
You can come for 15 min, 30 min, or a whole hour.

4 Chaplains Event Saturday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> at 11 am.  
See flier on bulletin board for more information.



Relevant Radio out of Helena has expressed a desire to install a tower for their radio station in Townsend. If anyone is interested in working on this project and helping to bring Relevant Radio to Townsend, please contact Fr. Cody.



## Options Clinic Baby Bottle Drive

January 22 - February 12



Did you know that during times of stress and uncertainty, women are FAR more likely to choose abortion? By filling a baby bottle with your cash, check, or change, or giving online, you are helping women in crisis hear a message of life, hope and family despite the challenges of our world. Together, we can make a big impact for LIFE.

With the help of your change, we are offering...

- FREE clinical grade pregnancy tests
- FREE early ultrasound
- FREE kidsmart parenting classes
- FREE supplies for new parents
- Low-Cost STD testing and treatment
- FREE options education

As you leave today, be sure to pick up a baby bottle and return it to the church by February 12th

OR

Give Here



Offering Hope. Building Families

Options Clinic is a 501©3. For more information, visit [optionshelena.org](http://optionshelena.org) or call 406-422-1011. Thank You. Your generosity truly makes a difference!

## The Wedding Feast at Cana

Wed. Feb. 1st at 6 pm

Dinner and living the wedding feast



A year with the Bible



In celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God, USCCB is offering a 5-video Sunday Seminar Series about Sacred Scripture in the life of the Church. The videos, along with discussion/reflection questions, will be available in English and Spanish, beginning January 22 at <https://catholic.bible/sunday-of-the-word-of-god/>. Through these videos, USCCB aims to "bring people into an encounter with the Scriptures, particularly the Gospel" with the hope that God's people will be "inspired and challenged to see, understand, and engage with scripture in a new, prayerful way."