

# Stewardship

6/25/2023

Holy Cross

## Holy Cross Weekly Income

Envelopes	\$4,115.00
Loose	\$49.25
Stole Gift	\$100.00
Pews	\$173.00
Reimbursement	\$1,649.78
Other	\$100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,187.03</b>

## 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	
<b>Total</b>	

### Cemetery Expenses-May

NorthWestern Energy	\$54.44
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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

"I felt a great dislike to journeys, especially when they were long. But once I had started, I thought nothing of them, thinking of Him for whose service they were undertaken and remembering that Our Lord would be praised and the most Holy Sacrament would dwell in the house I was going to found... It should be a great consolation to us - though many of us do not think of it - that Jesus Christ, true God and true man, dwells as He does in so many places in the most Holy Sacrament,"

- St. Teresa of Avila

### 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:

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, Lisa Larson, Tom Arensmeyer, Jana Melling, Wally Johnston, Kay Clark, Scott Scoffield, Bill Kearns



## 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

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 2, 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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## Gifts of the Holy Spirit

### The Gift of Counsel

Although most people assume the gift of counsel is associated with counseling, giving advise to another person, it is only loosely connected with it. The gift of counsel enables a person to know in the moment the difference between right and wrong and the ways of God. A person with the gift of counsel judges the action he or she is about to do and asks the question, is this good, and I should do it, or evil, and I shouldn't do it? Although this definition seems like the actions of our conscience, it is not. Our conscience directs us towards understanding the character of our actions. A person can have a formed or ill-formed conscience which then would direct them to different ends. The gift of counsel is not an innate ability nor can it be formed but is a gift from God. God allows the person to understand with supernatural clarity the moral character of the action in relation to God.

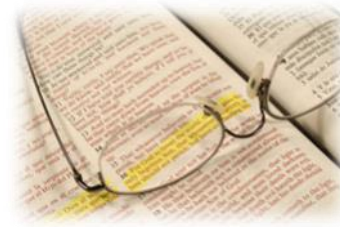
Most of the gifts of the Holy Spirit are directly related to their good for other people. Hence the gifts of wisdom and understand help other people to understand God's ways, know about the world around them, and guide the people around them to seek God. The gift of counsel can be used for the sake of the person with the gift and for the sake of others. As an individual gift, it helps the person to realize God's will for them in the moment. Which action should the person take? This gift can also help others to know what is right and choose to do it. Another aspect of this gift is the ability to understand what other people ought to do. For instance, a person giving spiritual counsel would be promoted or gifted by the Holy Spirit to speak in a special way as to enlighten the one receiving counsel about that person's life, that person's relationship with God, or what that person ought to do.

The gift of counsel is directly related to the virtue of prudence and perfects the virtue of prudence. Prudence is a virtue that helps us to know how to act in each circumstance. Whereas prudence is perfected through memory and recollection, the gift of counsel is a direct gift from God which can aid and perfect prudence.

Fr. Cody

Come and fill me, O Spirit of Counsel. Help me and guide me in all my ways that I may always do Your holy will. Incline my heart to prefer only what is good, turn it away from all that is evil, and direct me by the straight path of Your commandments to that goal of eternal life for which I long. Amen.

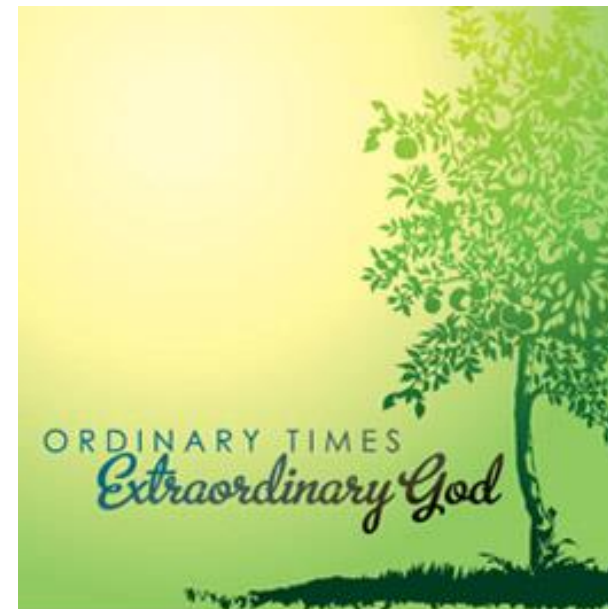
## Scripture Readings



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7-9-2023

Reading 1: Zechariah 9:9-10  
 Psalm: 145:1-2,8-9,10-11,13cd-14  
 Reading 2: Romans 8:9,11-13  
 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30



MASS	Schedule
Monday July 3	Mass 9a Adoration 9:30a First Responders
Tuesday July 4	NO MASS
Wednesday July 5	NO MASS
Thursday July 6	NO MASS
Friday July 7	OFFICE CLOSED
saturday July 8	NO MASS
sunday July 9	Confession 3:30-4:15p Mass 4:30p Parish Family

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 July 9, 2023

4:30pm

Greet:

Tom and Julie Lethert

Lector:

Claudette Hohn

Gifts:

Eichinger Family

EM:

Missy Cox and Monte Montonario

Money Counters:

Bernadette Swenson and Sara Holmes

## Prayer for Love in My Family

Lord, I present to You everyone in my immediate and extended family. Bless each one of us with Your love and fill us with grace and understanding. Help us to love one another as You love us. May our love for each other be selfless, giving, and constant. May we put the highest and best interests of others before ourselves and treat one another as we wish to be treated. May each member of my family feel loved, nurtured, and treasured and may we as a family be united in Your love. Amen.

[catholic-christian.tumblr.com](http://catholic-christian.tumblr.com)



Congratulations to Jesus Garcia, Ryan Racht, and Riley Richtmyer on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

No Mass Tuesday July 4th

Thank you to Dillon Armstrong and Anthony Olmes for their service to our parish this summer. Please keep praying for them as they discern their vocation and continue in seminary.



Thank you to all who helped organize, decorate lead, or help with Vacation Bible School. We had a lot of fun and it went really well.

A special thank you to the Women of Faith and the Friendship Prayer Group for all your work cooking and decorating for the Father's Day Feast.



Congratulations to Fr. Kyle Tannehill who was ordained a priest on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. He is currently serving at Resurrection parish in Bozeman.



### Catholic Social Services of Montana

will host its 24<sup>th</sup> Annual charity golf tournament on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Bill Roberts Municipal Golf Course in Helena. All funds raised benefit CSSM's adoption and family support ministries across Montana. Teams of 4 can register before July 7<sup>th</sup>. The registration fee includes 9 or 18 holes of golf, lunch, player gifts, a small donation to CSSM, and a fun day at the course with opportunities to win great prizes! For more details, including online registration, visit <https://cssm-golf-tournament.perfectgolfevent.com>.

**Come have fun playing a round of golf and support a wonderful Catholic charity serving Montana!**



Parishioner Registration Forms. We are about to transition to a new parish management program which will provide some new opportunities for the parish. Many of the phone numbers and addresses in our system are wrong. If you received copy of our file in the mail, please make any of the necessary corrections and return it to the office. If you did not receive a letter in the mail, this means that you are not registered. Please contact the office or talk to Fr. Cody about getting a parish registration form. Once they forms are compiled and entered, then we will print a new parish directory.



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)).

We could use someone to help with the livestream. If you are in-



Thank you to everyone who helped with the Cornhole Tournament.

## Have A Seat!



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 \$20,546 of it through donations that came after the grant was submitted. We received 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. Know that I am pledging my \$500 to this project. Thank you for your generosity.