

HOLY CROSS PARISH'S 3rd Annual CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT (PLUS FREE-WILL DONATION PLAY!)

SATURDAY

**JULY 20, 2024
10AM-2PM**

HOLY CROSS PARISH

101 S. Walnut St.
Townsend, MT
406-266-4811

TOURNAMENT PLAY:
9:30AM-REGISTRATION
10AM-BAGS FLY
\$50/TEAM (2 PERSON)

FREE PLAY: 10AM-2PM
***WALK-IN & PLAY!**
***FREE-WILL DONATION**
***WATER PARK FOR KIDS!**

TOURNAMENT PRIZES:

1st Place: \$150.00
2nd Place: \$100.00
3rd Place: \$50.00

FOOD & FUN!

Hamburgers/Hot Dogs.
Cotton Candy/Snowcones,
Chips/Drinks!

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT FIRST RESPONDERS & HOLY CROSS PARISH (50/50)



Holy Cross Parish

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 23, 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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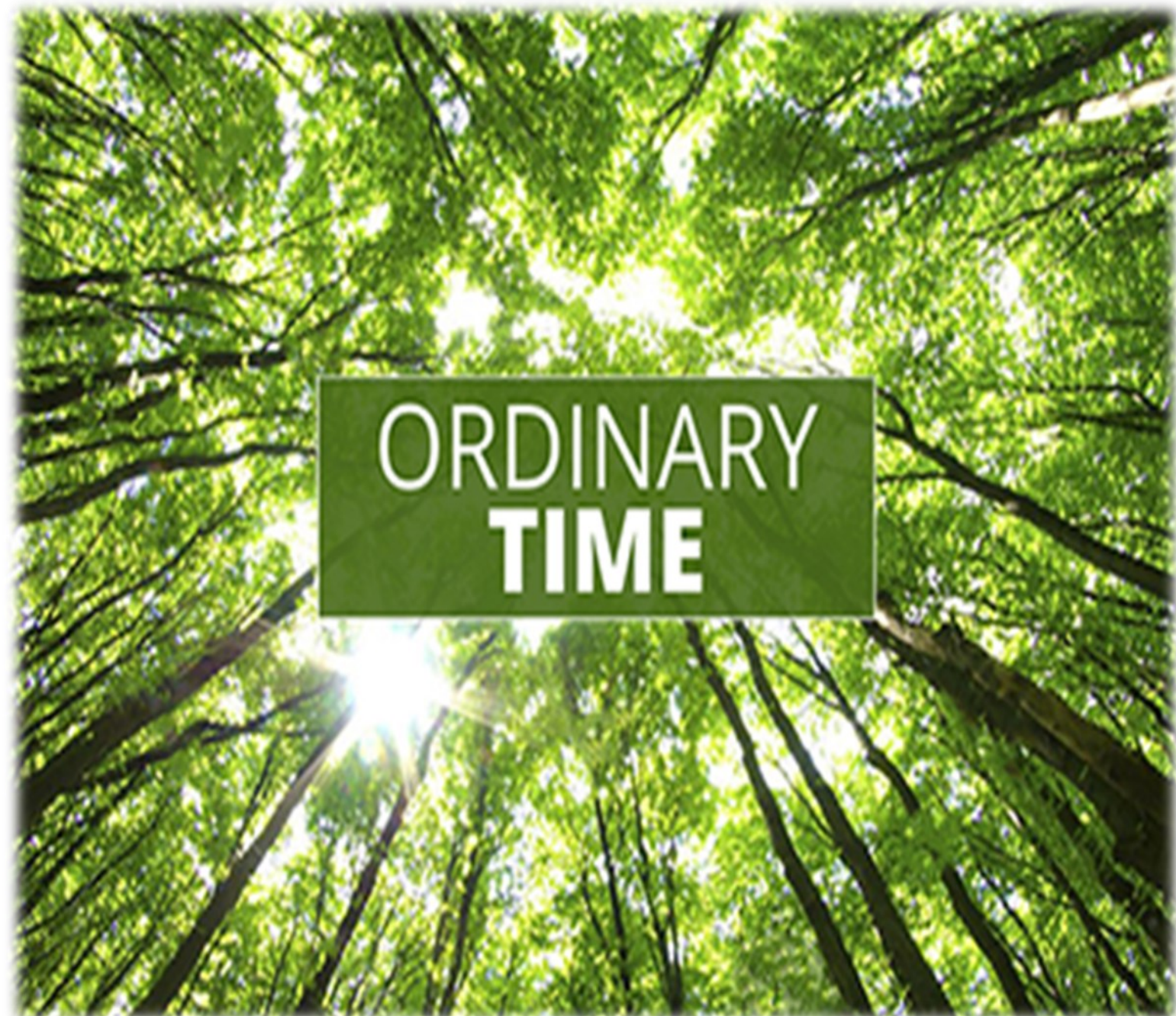
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**ORDINARY
TIME**

Basics of Catholicism part 45

Christmas part 2: the Feasts

The Feasts of Christmas are some of the most dynamic and interconnected of the Church year for a given liturgical season.

Christmas

Everyone knows the importance of Christmas and its significance. Jesus was born. Although we may be very familiar with its basic themes, I feel we often dismiss the incredible mystery of this day. God became man. The infinite, the all-knowing, the intangible God became finite, tangible, and human. Not only does the event of Jesus' birth return us to the Garden of Eden and the truth that God created us in his image and likeness but also completes the prophecies of old that God wants to be with his creatures and walk among them. Christmas is only the start of the mission leading toward Easter and the final revelation of God's great love to the world.

The Feast of the Holy Family

In the midst of the Octave of Christmas is a rather characteristic and odd feast: The Holy Family. The Feast of the Holy Family celebrates the joy of family. Jesus didn't just appear on the Earth and announce that God has come to us. Instead he was born from a woman, took on human flesh, became part of a family with a mother and father, and had a lineage. This feast illustrates the good of family life and the necessity of recognizing not only the challenges of family life but the joy as part of God's creation. The faith is taught and nourished in family life, the virtues and the basics of our society and human existence are taught in family life, our connection to others and our sense of identity comes from family life, and the sense of our faith as a family comes from family life. Family life is a necessary part of our humanity and the joy of our faith.

Mary, Mother of God

The final feast of the Octave of Christmas is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. This feast should not come as a surprise to us. Since Jesus was born of a woman, who else would you expect to be his mother? Yet, the profoundness of this feast should cause us to pause. Jesus didn't just appear out of his mother's womb or that Mary was some inconsequential extra in God's plan but that Mary is Jesus' mother. Jesus is truly human because he was born from a woman. Mary gained the exalted and profound title of Mother. The title of Mary, Mother of God was hotly debated in the early Church. We concluded that Mary gave birth to the fullness of Jesus, not just a human Jesus, but Jesus as God and man. Although she is responsible for his humanity, she is the mother of the entire Jesus, fully God and fully human.

Fr. Cody

Stewardship

6/16

Holy Cross

Holy Cross Weekly Income

Envelopes	\$2,371.00
Loose	\$34.00
Online Giving	\$141.36
Reimbursement	\$3,550.69
Total	\$6,097.05

Holy Cross Monthly Expenses-May

City of Townsend	\$351.82
NorthWestern Energy	\$548.16
Spectrum	\$144.97
Flocknote	\$36.00
Diocese of Helena	\$95.00
Montana Energy Alliance	\$2,126.33
MT Elevator & Escalator Co.	\$2,208.00

Cemetery

Cemetery Weekly Income

Grave Sites	
Short Term	\$3,853.52
Long Term	
Open & Close Gravesite	
Memorial	
Total	\$3,853.52

Cemetery Expenses-May

Northwestern Energy	\$149.38
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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

"When you awake in the night, transport yourself quickly in spirit before the Tabernacle, saying: 'Behold, my God, I come to adore You, to praise, thank, and love you, and to keep you company with all the Angels,' "

- 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.

Dcn. 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, Mille Sullivan, JL and Janet Jones, Vince Boster, Paulette Obrigewitch, Nicole Ito, John Clark, Lynette Swetye and Ryder. Monte Schnur, Jonathan LaCunza, Sean Duede

Do you know?

Given to the man to be ordained at an ordination:

Which liturgical item represents a deacon?

The Book of the Gospels

Which liturgical items represent a priest?

The Paten and the Chalice

Which liturgical items represent a bishop?

The Miter, Crosier, and ring.

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:

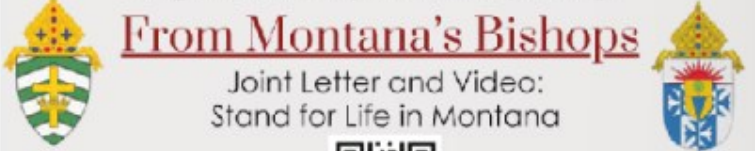
Our Social Hall and kitchen may be rented out for special events.

Please call the office for information for any of the above notices: 406-266-4811.

Montana Catholics for Life
 For Babies For Mothers For Families

Answering the call of our Montana Bishops to promote and defend life
 "Constitutional Initiative 128 (CI-128) would greatly expand the practice of legalized abortion in Montana abolishing the limited restrictions currently in place and opening the door to a host of practices that violate fundamental rights to life and dignity."
 Montana's Catholic Bishops on the Abortion Amendment, CI-128
 The signature gathering efforts to place Constitutional Initiative 128 (CI-128) on the November ballot have concluded. These efforts included substantial out-of-state funding, signing events, and vague messaging that often framed CI 128 as a "woman's right to make her own healthcare decisions." In the coming weeks, amidst likely legal challenges, the Montana Secretary of State will confirm whether the signature gathering was successful or not.

During the signature verification and count, our Catholic bishops will continue messaging the great threat that CI-128 poses to unborn children, expectant mothers, and families. Regardless of the outcome, the Church will fulfill her duty to boldly speak out and stand up for the infinite dignity of life from conception until a natural death. Let us remain prayerfully vigilant, continuing with the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be after each Mass. Let our prayer intention be for the defeat of CI-128 but even more so for a change of heart. We pray for a transformation in our hearts and the hearts of all people, especially expectant mothers and those who would promote abortion over loving each new life as a precious and unrepeatable gift.



From Montana's Bishops

Joint Letter and Video:
 Stand for Life in Montana



Life-affirming Resources

- Expectant Mother/Parent Counseling
- Adoption
- Pregnancy Resources
- Post Abortion Help
- Help for Mothers and Babies in Need
- Prayers for Life

Visit montanacc.org or scan the QR code for details.

IF YOU HAVE MISTAKENLY SIGNED THE PETITION AND WOULD LIKE TO WITHDRAW YOUR NAME, PLEASE STOP BY THE PARISH OFFICE FOR A PETITION WITHDRAWAL FORM OR CONTACT CHANCERY.

ATTENTION!

No Mass or Adoration July 1st, 2nd, 8th, and 9th

RE game day is on
 Tuesday, June 25th from 5-7 pm.



Middle school and High school sports/ game day on the lawn is Friday, July 19th from 5-7 pm.

The Retired group will not meet on Monday, July 1st and Monday, July 8th but will resume on Monday, July 15th.



Scripture Readings



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6-30-2024

Reading 1: Wisdom 1:13-15;2:23-24
 Psalm: 30:2 and 4,5-6,11 and 12a and 13b
 Reading 2: 2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15
 Gospel: Mark 5:21-43 or 5:21-24,35b-43

MASS	Schedule
Monday June 24	Mass 9a Homebound Parishioners Adoration 9:30a
Tuesday June 25	Mass 9a Seminarians RE Game Day 5-7p
Wednesday June 26	No Mass
Thursday June 27	No Mass
Friday June 28	No Mass
Saturday June 29	No Mass
Sunday June 30	Confession 3:30p Mass 4:30p Parish Family



The food pantry will be open Saturday 6/29 from 9:00 -10:30a. It is located just two doors down in the old JRock jewelry space and will remain there for the next three months. June is Holy Cross's month to volunteer, those interested in helping to distribute food during this time feel free to come. The rotary club is matching any monetary donations made until Father's Day. They could use the funds now especially with all the damage.

Broadwater Food Pantry
 PO Box 1164
 Townsend, MT 59644



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

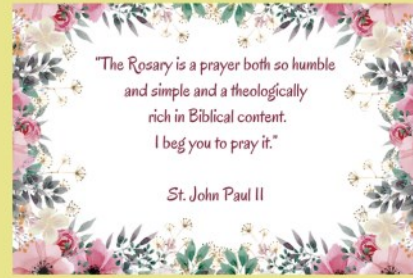
Ministry Schedule

Sunday June 30, 2024 4:30pm

- Greet: Larry and Buffy Woodring
 Lector: Marge Kroeger
 Gifts: Wickens Family
 EM: Monte Montonario and Karen Simonich
 Money Counters: Bernadette Swenson and Sara Holmes

LET'S PRAY THE ROSARY

FOR THE POPE, CHURCH,
PRIEST, FAMILIES,
CHILDREN & FOR
THE WHOLE WORLD



SUNDAYS @ 4:00

JULY 7- JOYFUL MYSTERIES

JULY 14- LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

JULY 21- SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

JULY 28 - GLORIOUS MYSTERIES



The Order of the Discalced Carmelite Seculars will be having an open house for the Feast of St. Elijah on Saturday, July 20th. Join us at 11:00 am at Holy Cross Parish in Townsend, MT. The community will celebrate Mass with Fr. Bart Tolleson presiding, and will be receiving the Temporary Promise of one of its members. Enrollment in the Brown Scapular will be available after Mass for anyone who wishes and scapulars will be available. A light reception will follow the Mass in the social hall. Information about the western Montana Community of Carmelites will be available for anyone interested in learning more about the Order of Discalced Carmelite Seculars.

Starting in July
New
Rosary Time
SUNDAYS
4:00pm
BEFORE MASS



Notes from the Parish Meeting are on the table at the entrance to the church if you would like to read about some of the discussion and action items.



FIRST SATURDAY
SCRIPTURAL ROSARY
Saturday, July 6, 2024
10:00am
Coffee and Donuts afterwards

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




25th Annual Golf Tournament
 to benefit the charitable ministries of
Catholic Social Services of Montana
Friday, July 12th
Bill Roberts Golf Course

Registration for teams of 4 includes
 The round of golf, lunch, a drink ticket, a goodie bag, entry into several competitions, and a fun day at the course with the chance to win prizes!

Prizes are available for the teams and individuals of all skill levels, and there are fun on course competitions to take part in.

To learn more and register, visit
www.cssmt.org or scan the QR Code.

