



Holy Cross Parish Bulletin
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**Our Lady of the Lake Canyon Ferry
 8375 Canyon Ferry Rd., Helena, MT 59602

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 21, 2016

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Quote of the Week:

"Hold the Crucifix up before my eyes so that I may see it until I die...Jesus, Jesus, Jesus."

- St. Joan of Arc's final words.

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday,
 Thursday, & Friday, 9 am to 1 pm

Bulletin Deadline: Thursday Noon

Mass Schedule

Monday, February 21,	NO MASS Father's Day Off
Tuesday, February 22,	Dailey Mass 8:30 am. Cookie Schaefer RB Constance Miler
Wednesday, February 23,	Daily Mass 6:00 pm Gene Hankins RB Harley & Marie Hankins
Thursday, February 24,	Daily Mass 8:30 am Jill Menard RB Constance Miller
Friday, February 25,	Daily Mass 8:30 am Adoration 9-10 am
Saturday, February 26,	CONFESSIONS 3-4 PM Holy Cross Mass 5:00 pm
Sunday, February 27,	Mass: Holy Cross 10:00 am Intentions For the Parish Family

Announcements:

- The Sacristy is meant for prayerful preparation and thanksgiving for Mass. If there is an emergency, feel free to go into the Sacristy to inform father, but please leave other things for a time outside of Mass to discuss business or other items with father. Thank you.
- Knights' of Columbus Council 2360 will host the annual Bill & Grace Berberet Memorial Burrito Breakfast for the Guatemalan Mission on Sunday, February 28. Please come support and donate to this annual event.
- RE Class 5-8 pm Wednesday February 24. Class from 5-5:55 pm then we will go to Mass at 6pm followed by soup supper. Middle and High School class follows soup supper, as well as enrichment activities for our younger youth. Michelle Boylan and Katie Grewell will host sandwiches to supplement the soup.
- Wednesday Mass February 24, 6 pm followed by Soup Supper hosted by Faith. Please bring your own bowl, spoon and cup.
- Stations of the Cross on Friday at 7 pm.
- Catholic Extension is excited to offer a matching grant to Holy Cross for our Sidewalk Project. They will match on a 1:1 basis up to \$4,050 any funds raised and received in cash toward the sidewalk project until July 1, 2016.
- The Diocese of Helena Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry invites all High School youth to attend the 39th annual CYC Convention, March 11-13, 2016. To register go to <https://www.showmyevent.com/events/viewEventDetails.aspx?EventID=2807>

- Pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

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.

Mount Angel Seminary, St. Benedict, OR, Joseph Paddock, Aidan Toombs, Joe Paddock, Deacon Cody Williams, St. John Vianney Seminary, Denver, CO, Michel Dirkson, Tyler Frohlich, Kirby Longo, Deacon Bryce Lungren, Deacon Andy Morrow, Oliver Santin, and Nathan Scheidecker.

Spirituality Year St. John Vianney Seminary, Denver; Matthew Christiaens, Jared Howes, Codi Krueger, Andrew Nistler & Jeffery Walton.

North American College, Rome Father Christopher Lebsock (Continuing Studies)



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

"The K of C proudly supports Holy Cross and Our Lady of the Lake."

- ACA Goal: \$20,900.00
- Pledged: \$13,403.00
- Paid \$10,800.00
- % of Goal 67%
- % Participation 61.22%



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Our Lady of the Lake:
Sunday February 21, 12:30 pm

Ministry Schedule
Saturday February 27, 2016

Greeters : Clara & Vince Boster
Lector : Felicia Head
Gifts: Monte & Cathy Armstrong
EM: Steve Kitt & Missy Cox
Servers: Jade Martin & Sierra Slyker

Ministry Schedule
Sunday February 28, 2016

Greeters : The Swenson Family
Lector : Julie Lethert
Gifts: The Masolo Family
EM: Carole Plymale & Debbie Miller
Servers: Quinn & Caleb LeLacheur
Music: Mary Garman
Home Ministry: Bill & Anita Kearns
Money Counters: Allison Bakken & Karee Eichinger

Scripture Passage of the Week:
 "Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem."
 - Luke 9: 28b - 31

Notes from Fr. Sean!

"An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints."

"An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin." The faithful can gain indulgences for themselves or apply them to the dead."

- Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1471

Pope Francis has declared this the "Year of Mercy." Bishop Thomas has designated every main door of every Church in the Helena Diocese a "Door of Mercy." A plenary indulgence will be granted to everyone who: - prays an Our Father, Hail Mary, and "Glory Be..." for the intentions of Pope Francis - receives Holy Communion (preferably on the same day as praying for Pope Francis) - goes to Sacramental Confession (within about a week before or after the above) - prays for and desires detachment from all sin.

Thank you to all who helped make the Sweetheart Dinner a great success! Well done!

Thank you to the folks who clean the Church and Parish Center and Rectory/Office area!

Thank you to the circles providing food for our soup suppers on Wednesday after Mass, which is celebrated at 6 p.m.

Please go to and explore our website holycrossmt.org

The main doors are now fixed and have new weather stripping in them for increased energy efficiency.

Stewardship of Treasure
02/13/14/ 2016

Holy Cross	
46 Envelopes	\$1,886.00
Loose	\$ 28.00
4 Youth	\$ 4.00
6 OLL	\$ 380.00
14 Black & Indian	\$ 333.00
1 Sacristy	\$ 50.00
Total HC	\$2,681.00

Our Lady of the Lake	
No Mass	
Total Donations	\$2,681.00

Cemetery	2/12/2016
Out standing Pledges	\$1,400.00
Grave sites	\$ 00.00
Short Term	\$ 00.00
Long Term	\$ 00.00
Total	\$ 00.00

Cemetery Fund Donations	
Beginning Balance	\$ 12.44
Misc. Donations	\$ 319.50
Gravesites	\$ 1,900.00
Short Term	\$ 9,670.00
Total	\$ 11,901.94

Cemetery Endowment Fund	
Paid to the Foundation	\$1,700.00
Long term	\$21,310.00
Sent to Foundation	\$23,010.00

ACA Goal	\$20,900.00
Pledged to 12-22	\$ 13,403.00
Paid to 2-12-16	\$10,800.00
Outstanding Pledges	\$ 2,603.00

Amount Short of Goal \$7,497.00

THANK YOU!

Prayer Chain

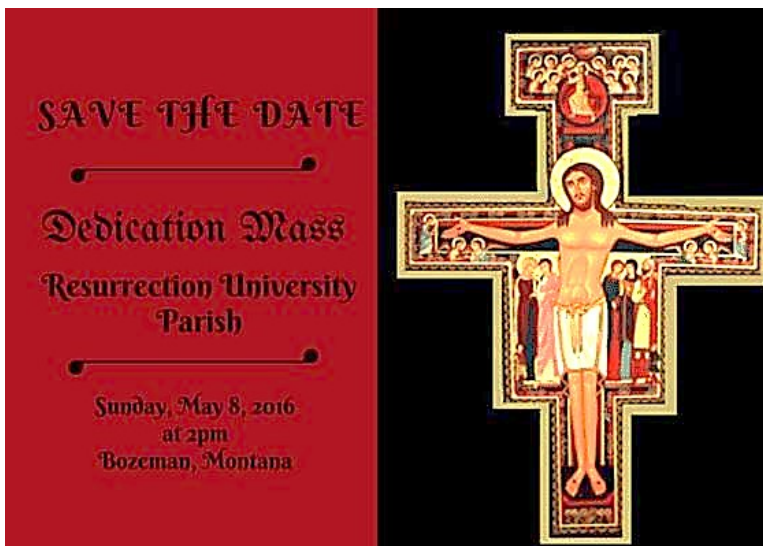
Gene Determan, Jerri Woodring Thueson, Karen Lebahn, Joanie Pritchard, Doug Thomas, Brad Flesch, Mona Maddox, Mary Ann Jensen, Brandon Schaff, Karen Hall, Brittany Powley, Trent Paccurian, Kevin Ellis, Carol Chapin, Scott Chapin, Kacy Ritter, Jane Damuth, Kate M, Matt, Greg Weber, Ryan Heffner, Lavinia Ellis, Wanda Martin, Laurie Erickson, Troy & Shirley Helmick, Andrew Murley, Elaine Graveley, Richard Johnson, Kristen Johnson Lauren Vogl, Larry & Louise Sullivan, Nate & Billie Jo Simmons, Brian Foster, Harla Gillespie, Farrell Johnston, Logan Weidman



40 Days for Life

From February 10 through March 20, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood (1500 Cannon St.), and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact: Sarah Leslie 461-4776 or helena40dfl@gmail.com. For detailed information on 40 days for life or to sign up to pray, check out the website: 40daysforlife.com/Helena.

Save The Date: 40 DAYS KICKOFF EVENT: Tuesday, February 9, 6:00 pm at the Emmanuel Chapel (1000 N. Ewing St.)



"SPA DAY FOR THE SOUL"
SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016

7:00 A.M.—6:00 P.M.

**CARROLL COLLEGE
 HELENA, MONTANA**

**Catholic Women's
 CONFERENCE**
"Come to Me"

Join women from Montana and beyond for prayer, speakers, music, fellowship & more!
 Our "Spa Day" includes Mass.

Register online: ShowMyEvent.com

Cost: \$55 – includes lunch

For more information contact Velma Burnett:
rvburnett@blackfoot.net or (406) 677-7772 or
 Roxie Nistler at (406) 439-7699

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- Registration is open for 2016 Legendary Lodge Camps. To register go to <http://www.diocesehelena.org/offices-and-ministries/legendary-lodge/>

**JOHNETTE BENKOVIC IS COMING TO BILLINGS!
 MARCH 11 & 12, 2016 AT THE CROWNE PLAZA**

Join Johnette Benkovic of the nationally renowned ministry Women of Grace to find out how we can all put on our spiritual armor to battle secularism and its attacks on life, family and religious freedom! Recording artist Jaime Thietten will join us as well to fill the weekend with song. This "women only" event will include hospitality and a catered lunch. Reserve your seat now with special deals for tables of 10!

For more on price, event details or special hotel rates, go to kjccradio.com/sisters-in-faith-2016.