



**Holy Cross Parish Bulletin**  
**P.O. Box 610 (101 S. Walnut)**  
**Townsend, Montana 59644**

**TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**October 8, 2017**

**Fr. David Severson, Pastor**

**Fr. Micah Bagayang, Parochial Vicar**

**Office: 266-4811**

**Weekend Mass Schedule: Holy Cross**

**Confession: Saturday 5-530 pm or by appointment**

**Saturday Vigil Mass: 6 pm**

**Sunday 9 am**

Quote of the week:

Day 10: "40 Days for Life saved my baby"

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday  
 9:30am to 2:30pm; Friday 9:30am-1:30pm

**Bulletin Deadline: Thursday 10 am**

**Mass Schedule**

Monday,	No Scheduled Mass
Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2017	No Scheduled Mass
Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2017	No Scheduled Mass
Thursday, Oct. 12, 2017	Holy Hour & Solemn Rosary 6 pm
Friday, Oct. 13, 2017	Daily Mass 9 am
Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017	Confession 5-5:45 pm Rosary 5:40 pm Vigil Mass 6 pm Homebound Parishioners
Sunday Oct. 15, 2017	Confession 8:30-8:45 am Rosary 8:40 am Mass 9:00 am PARISH FAMILY

**October 8, 2017**

**Scripture Readings:**

Isaiah: 5: 1-7 / 139

Psalm 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

Philippians 4: 6-9

Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-43

**Holy Cross Mission Statement**

Holy Cross parish is a Roman Catholic Parish that serves Christ the King, under the protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary with the Intercession of the communion of Saints. We are in union with the Roman Pontiff and the Bishop of Helena. Our faith, hope and love flow from the center of our parish family's life: The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. From there we are compelled to love God, love our neighbor as ourselves and "Go make disciples..." (Matt 22:37 and 28:19-20)

**Announcements:**

- Please come down and join us for annual Bazaar from noon to 3 pm on Sunday October 8. This is the Parish's only fundraiser.
- There will be a Rosary Rally at Memorial Park (Veterans Park) Saturday October 14, 2017 at Noon. Please come join us and pray the Rosary for **Our Lady in reparation fro the 100th anniversary of Fatima and the miracle of the sun.**
- Next Sunday October 15, the Pastoral Council will host coffee hour and present part 11 of the Parish Process Plan. Please come join us and share your thoughts and ideas as the Diocese plans for the next 5 years.
- Men's Group will meet Wednesday, October 18 at 6:30 pm.
- Beginning Sunday October 8, Father will be meeting with anyone serving or willing to serve in the following ministries following Mass: Sunday October 8, Extra ordinary Ministers, Home Bound Ministers, Sunday October 15, Lector.

- Town Pump will match all monetary donations up to \$5,000 to the Townsend Food Pantry between now and the end of November.
- 40 Days for Life is an international-ly-coordinated 40-day peaceful pro-life campaign to end abortion. Our local, 24/7 40 Days for Life will be held from Wednesday, **September 27, 2017**, to Sunday, **November 5, 2017**.



Please join us for another hour of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and rosary for peace in the world on the eve of the 100th anniversary of the last apparition of Our Lady of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun, Thursday, Oct.

12th at 6 PM followed by a Mass on the 13th at 9 AM in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

"Adoration will heal our Church and thus our nation and thus our world... Adoration touches everyone and everything... [because it touches the Creator, Who touches everything and everyone]... When we adore, we plug into infinite dynamism and power. Adoration is more powerful for construction than nuclear bombs are for destruction.

- Peter Kreeft, philosopher at Boston College



**Ministry Schedule**  
**Saturday October 7, 2017**  
**6:00 pm**

*Greeters :* Gene & Bev Determan  
*Lector:* Felicia Head  
*Gifts:* Gene & Bev Determan  
*EM:* Jill Menard & Chris Wright  
*Servers:* Cub & Riley Richtmyer

**Ministry Schedule**  
**Sunday October 8, 2017**  
**9:00 am**

*Greeters :* Bob, Gay Ann & Leo Masolo  
*Lector :* Brian Hohn  
*Gifts:* Martin Mingay & Larry Woodring  
*EM:* Ruby Hohn & Paul Taylor  
*Servers:* Emmalin Fischer & Abby Wickens  
*Music :* Mary Garman  
*Home Ministry:* Juanita Bray  
*Money Counters:* Paul Latka & Karen Susag

Holy Cross recommends that the following be respected

**Infant Baptism:**  
 Parents are to be registered, active, practicing parishioners. Parents are required to attend a baptism preparation class offered by the parish. Dates are to be confirmed by the parish office prior to making any arrangements.

**Weddings:**  
 Six months notice required. Wedding date availability are to be confirmed by the priest prior to booking any reception venues.

**Christian Burial:**  
 Notice should be made with the priest before arrangements are made with the funeral director. A funeral Mass will replace the daily scheduled Mass.

**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.

**Stewardship of Treasure**  
**9/30-10/1/2017**

Holy Cross	
46 HC Envelopes	\$1,985.50
Loose	\$ 124.00
5 Youth	\$ 5.00
1 RE Tuition	\$ 30.00
1 Stipend	\$ 100.00
1 Sacristy	\$ 25.00
Total HC	\$2,269.50

Holy Cross Parish Endowment Fund:  
 \$21,144.33 as of 06/30/17

**Cemetery**

Cemetery 09-22-2017  
 Outstanding Pledges  
 \$1,150.00

Cemetery Fund Donations

Beginning Balance	\$ 12.44
Misc. Donations	\$ 319.50
Gravesites	\$ 3,700.00
Donations	\$14,125.00

Total in Cemetery Acct \$4,063.90

Cemetery Endowment Fund  
 Foundation to 6/30/1717  
 \$32,292.69

**BAZAAR 2017:**

Raffle Donation:	\$930.00
Raffle Tickets	\$750.00
Dinner Tickets	\$140.00
Dinner Donations	\$160.00
Total	\$1,980.00

**THANK YOU!**

**October 15, 2017**

**Scripture Readings:**

Isaiah: 25: 6-10a / 142  
 Psalm: 23: 1-3a, 3b-4,5,6  
 Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20  
 Gospel: Matthew 22: 1-14 or 22:1-10

**Prayer Chain**



Gene Determan, Jerri Thueson,  
 Joanie Pritchard, Elaine Graveley, Madison McCauley, Pat Montonario's granddaughter Zoe, Marie

Hoeffner, Dick & Iva Eggar, Fran Wright, Alan Young, Kathy Harrington, Sherry Clayburn, Randy Dooley, Jack & Pat Mahon. Kelly Flynn, Father Byrne, Mary Ann Jensen, Elliot Weakland, Troy Helmick, Robin Kirscher, Jenny Schaubert

**LIVING FATIMA CONFERENCE**

The Living Fatima Conference will take place at the new St. Francis School in Billings on Friday and Sat., October 13 and 14

To register go to [www.kjcradio.com](http://www.kjcradio.com) to get registration form. Registration from September 2 to October 12, 2017 is \$35

\*\* On-line registration closes at 12 noon on October 12, 2017.

Registration at the door is \$40.

Sponsored by Billings Catholic Radio KFCR to evangelize, educate and inspire a faithful life in Christ.

**Parish Input Process**  
 Part Two—Parish Input and Prioritization  
 Be a part of the Diocesan Pastoral Planning Process!

So that our parish can be at the table with helping to set diocesan directions and priorities that will guide our Diocese for the next five years, you are invited to participate in the Parish Input Process. ALL ARE WELCOME even if you were not able to participate in Part One of the Parish Input Process.

This meeting invites us to review the feedback from the first part of the process and to make recommendations about our ongoing priorities to be included in the new Pastoral Plan. The priorities recommended by our parish will be part of the deliberations and discernment for the Diocesan Pastoral Council as it moves toward crafting a new Diocesan Pastoral Plan.

Holy Cross Parish  
 10:00 am  
 Sunday October 15, 2017  
 Parish Center



Come and join us for our Parish Mission  
SS. Cyril & Methodius, East Helena  
October 14 - 18, 2017.

Theme: Christ our Companion on the Journey

Fr. Michael Guadagnoli was born and raised in Dallas, TX. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1997. He is currently the pastor of St. Monica Catholic Church in Dallas. He also has given numerous retreats and days of recollection. He first met Fr. Bart Tolleson when he was in the seminary. Fr. Guadagnoli also loves to travel and is looking forward to his first visit to Montana.

**Mission Schedule**

October 14-15: Fr. Guadagnoli will preside at all the weekend Masses, October 16, 17, & 18:

Confessions 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.; Mass at 11:30 a.m.; Mission conference 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Adoration 6:00 p.m.; Confessions 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.; Mission conference 7:00 p.m. (Evening conference is a repeat from earlier conference)

**ATTENTION ENGAGED COUPLES!!!** The next Catholic Engaged Encounter weekend is , Oct. 20-22,2017 in Great Falls. Sign up now!! Information and registration is available online at [WWW.GREATFALLSSCEE.ORG](http://WWW.GREATFALLSSCEE.ORG) Call Brenda& Bill Chafin at [406-771-8658](tel:406-771-8658) or Terry and Dave Stucky at [406--452-3542](tel:406-452-3542) for more information. A Wedding is a Day: A Marriage is a Lifetime!



**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, Shannon Augare.

St. John Vianney Seminary, Denver, CO, Matthew Christiaens, Tyler Frohlich, Codi Krueger. Nathan Scheidecker, and Kyle Tannehill.

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary, West MA, T. Aidan Toombs

## Reflections for the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

So, could you not watch with me one hour?" (Matt. 26:40)

### **What is Eucharistic Adoration?**

Understood simply, Eucharistic Adoration is adoring or honoring the Eucharistic Presence of Christ. In a deeper sense, it involves "the contemplation of the Mystery of Christ truly present before us".

"In the sacred Host, He is present, the true treasure, always waiting for us. Only by adoring this Presence do we learn how to receive Him properly."

### **Twelve Reasons From The Teachings Of The Church For Wanting To Spend One Hour With Jesus In The Blessed Sacrament**

1. You are greatly needed!

"The Church and the world have a great need of eucharistic adoration." (Pope John Paul II, *Dominicae Cena*)

2. This is a personal invitation to you from Jesus.

"Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love." (Pope John Paul II, *Dominicae Canae*)

3. Jesus is counting on you because the Eucharist is the center of life.

"Every member of the Church must be vigilant in seeing that the sacrament of love shall be at the center of the life of the people of God so that through all the manifestations of worship due him shall be given back 'love for love' and truly become the life of our souls." (Pope John Paul II, *Redeemer of Man*)

4. Your hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will repair for evils of the world and bring about peace on earth.

"Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Jesus and ready to make reparation for the great evils of the world. Let your adoration never cease." (Pope John Paul II, *Dominicae Cena*)

5. Day and night Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because you are the most important person in the world to him!

"Christ is reserved in our churches as the spiritual center of the heart of the community, the universal Church and all humanity, since within the veil of the species, Christ is contained, the invisible heart of the Church, the Redeemer of the world, the center of all hearts, by him all things are and of whom we exist." (Pope Paul IV, *Mysterium Fidei*)

6. Jesus wants you to do more than to go to mass on Sunday.

"Our communal worship at mass must go together with our personal worship of Jesus in Eucharistic adoration in order that our love may be complete." (Pope John Paul II, *Redeemer of Man*)

## Reflections for the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time continued

7. You grow spiritually with each moment you spend with Jesus!

"Our essential commitment in life is to preserve and advance constantly in Eucharistic life and Eucharistic piety and to grow spiritually in the climate of the Holy Eucharist." (Pope John Paul II, Redeemer of Man)

8. The best time you spend on earth is with Jesus, your Best Friend, in the Blessed Sacrament!

"How great is the value of conversation with Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, for there is nothing more consoling on earth, nothing more efficacious for advancing along the road of holiness!" (Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*)

9. Just as you can't be exposed to the sun without receiving its rays, neither can you come to Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament without receiving the divine rays of his grace, his love, his peace.

"Christ is truly the Emmanuel, that is, God with us, day and night, he is in our midst. He dwells with us full of grace and truth. He restores morality, nourishes virtue, consoles the afflicted, strengthens the weak." (Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*)

10. If Jesus were actually visible in church, everyone would run to welcome him, but he remains hidden in the Sacred Host under the appearance of bread, because he is calling us to faith, that we may come to him in humility.

"The Blessed Sacrament is the 'Living Heart' of each of our churches and it is our very sweet duty to honor and adore the Blessed Host, which our eyes see, the Incarnate Word, whom they cannot see." (Pope Paul VI, *Credo of the People of God*)

11. With transforming mercy, Jesus makes our heart one with his.

"He proposes his own example to those who come to him, that all may learn to be like himself, gentle and humble of heart, and to seek not their own interest but those of God." (Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*)

12. If the Pope himself would give you a special invitation to visit him in the Vatican, this honor would be nothing in comparison to the honor and dignity that Jesus himself bestows upon you with the invitation of spending one hour with him in the Blessed Sacrament.

"The divine Eucharist bestows upon the Christian people the incomparable dignity." (Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*)