



# Holy Cross Parish Bulletin

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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 14, 2018

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Weekend Mass Schedule: Holy Cross

Confession: Saturday 4:15–4:45 pm; Sunday 8:30–8:45 am or by appointment

Saturday Mass 5 pm

Sunday Mass 9 am

Thought of the week: We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.  
- 1 John 4:16

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

Bulletin Deadline: Thursday 10 am

Mass	Schedule
Monday Jan 15, 2018	No Scheduled Mass
Tuesday, Jan 16, 2018	Mass 6 pm Bishop's Intentions
Wednesday, Jan 17, 2018	Rosary Mass 9 am Seminarians
Thursday, Jan 18, 2018	Rosary Mass 9 AM Poor Soul's in Purgatory
Friday, Jan 19, 2018	Rosary Mass 9 AM The Unborn
Saturday, Jan 20, 2018	Confession 4:15-4:45 Vigil Mass 5 pm Homebound Parishioners
Sunday Jan 21, 2018	Confession 8:30-8:45 am Mass 9:00 am Parish Family

## 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:

- 2018 Parishioner Contribution envelopes are on the table in the Narthex.
- New Ministry Schedules are on the table at the back of the Church.
- Middle and High School youth will meet on Wednesday January 17th for community service project.
- There will be no scheduled Masses the week of January 22nd -26th.
- There will be Adoration at 9 am on Friday January 26th.



## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

"Recognize in this bread what hung on the cross, and in this chalice what flowed

from His side... whatever was in many and varied ways announced beforehand in the sacrifices of the Old Testament pertains to this one sacrifice which is revealed in the New Testament."

- from the writings of St. Augustine, Sermon 3, 2; circa A.D. 410  
{original translation}



January 14, 2017

Scripture Readings:

1Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 (65B)

Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

1Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Gospel John 1:35-42

**Stewardship of Treasure  
01/07/2018**

Holy Cross	
39 HC Envelopes	\$ 1,300.50
Loose	\$ 89.00
Youth	\$ 0.00
1 Sacristy	\$ 25.00
1 Stipend	\$ 50.00
2 Holy Days	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
Total HC	\$1,614.50

Holy Cross Parish Endowment Fund:  
\$21,491.83 as of 09/30/17

**Cemetery**

Cemetery	01-09-2018
Outstanding Pledges	\$1,150.00

**Cemetery Fund Donations**

Beginning Balance	\$ 12.44
Misc. Donations	\$ 319.50
Gravesites	\$ 3,700.00
Donations	\$37,717.00
Don. Direct to Found.	<u>\$ 1,700.00</u>
Total Donations	\$42,818.94

Total in Cemetery Acct \$2,023.87

Cemetery Endowment Fund  
to 09/30/17 \$32,933.71

ACA 2017	12/14//2017
Goal	\$22,900
Pledged	\$ 11,730
ACA PD	\$ 9,165

**THANK YOU!**

**January 21, 2018**

**Scripture Readings:**

**Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (68B)**

**Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9**

**1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

**Gospel: Mark 1:14-20**

**Ministry Schedule  
Saturday January 20, 2018**

*Greeters:* Monte & Cathy Armstrong  
*Lector:* Cathy Armstrong  
*Gifts:* Harold & Laura Gibbs  
*EM:* Steve Kitt & Monte Montonario  
*Servers:* Aspen & Sierra Slyker

**Ministry Schedule  
Sunday January 21, 2017  
9:00 am**

*Greeters:* Anne Inghram  
*Lector:* Chris Wright  
*Gifts:* The Bakken Family  
*EM:* Earl Kohn & Chris Wright  
*Servers:* Kennedy Vogl & Zoey Wickens  
*Music:* Jill Flynn  
*Home Ministry:* Jean Boucher  
*Money Counters:* Allison Bakken & Karee Eichinger



**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

**Pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.**

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.

**Pastoral Council** members: Mary Garmann, Bernadette Swenson, Shari Toney, Shawna Wickens & Chris Wright

**Finance Council** members: Juanita Bray, Brian Hohn, Steve Visocan, Vince Vogl



**Prayer Chain**

Gene Determan, Father Byrne, Jerri Thueson, Joanie Pritchard, Elaine Graveley, Madison McCauley, Pat Montonario's granddaughter Zoe, Marie Hoeffner, Fran Wright, Kelly Flynn, Elliot Weakland, Troy Helmick, Jenny Schaubert, Bill Fitzgerald, Martin Clark, Kathryn,

## Reflections for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Behold the Lamb of God!

In these few verses St John gives us three key titles of Christ, each of which should stir our hearts to gratitude, praise, and adoration.

First, John reemphasizes that Jesus is the "Lamb of God", a title worth reflecting on again and again. The lamb appeared over and over in the Jewish scriptures and in their traditions. The central allusion, however, was to the Passover, during which the Israelites had sprinkled the blood of the Passover lamb on the lintels of their doors (cf. Exodus 12); the lamb had been sacrificed in order to save the Israelites, so that Moses would be able to lead them out of slavery. Christ was to be slain as well, on the cross of Calvary, and his blood was to be sprinkled on the lips of his faithful when they receive Holy Communion, and so Christians would be saved from the slavery of sin and led into the freedom of eternal life, the unquenchable abundance of heaven, by Jesus Christ, the lamb of God. Christ is not only Lord, but he is also Savior.

Second, Jesus is called "the Messiah," or "the Anointed One" (the Greek word for this gives us the title "Christ"). This title referred to the promised successor to the throne of David, whom God had anointed King of his Chosen People. Under David's Kingship Israel had become a world power, reaching its peak of greatness and influence. God had promised that the line of David would never entirely fail, and that a son of David would ascend to the throne to reinstate a new and even greater golden age for Israel. This Messiah (kings were "anointed" as a sign of their being chosen and strengthened by God for their divine mission on his behalf) would save Israel from all her sufferings and oppression, from all the misery that her sin had heaped upon her.

It is to save us, to rescue us from our own ignorance, weakness, and confusion that Jesus came. In relation to mankind, God's glory consists in the human race reaching its full potential, in all people discovering the joy of a life lived in communion with God. Christ is the bearer of this glory, the King who comes to establish the sovereignty of God - with the peace and the fullness it entails - in every human heart.

- Fr John Bartunek, *The Better Part*

