



Holy Cross Parish Bulletin
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THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 21, 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

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
 9:30am to 2:30pm; Friday 9:30am-1:30pm
Bulletin Deadline: Thursday 10 am

January 21, 2018	Scripture Readings:	Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (68B)
Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9	1 Corinthians 7:29-31	Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

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.
- RE Class on Wednesday January 24th 5:15-8 pm. Dinner hosted by Michelle Boylan and Shari Toney.
- There will be no scheduled Masses the week of January 22-26, 2018.
- There will be Adoration at 9 am on Friday January 26th.
- **40 DAYS FOR LIFE: GET READY FOR 2018.** The next campaign is February 14 - March 25. Look for the nearest location and get involved!
- Watch the bulletin for the Lenten Soup Supper schedule.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

"Christ held Himself in His hands when He gave His Body to

His disciples saying: 'This is My Body.' No one partakes of this Flesh before he has adored it."

- St. Augustine

- Monday January 22nd is USA: Day of Prayer for the legal Protection of Unborn Children. *"The fight for the right to life is not the cause of a special few, but the cause of every man, woman and child who cares not only about his or her own family, but the whole family of man."* -Dr. Mildred Jefferson The First Black Woman to graduate from Harvard Medical School in 1951

Mass	Schedule
Monday Jan 22, 2018	No Scheduled Mass
Tuesday, Jan 16, 2018	No Scheduled Mass
Wednesday, Jan 17, 2018	No Scheduled Mass
Thursday, Jan 18, 2018	No Scheduled Mass
Friday, Jan 19, 2018	Adoration 9 am
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

Thought of the week:

GOD WANTS FAMILIES WHERE MEMBERS LOVE EACH OTHER AND EDUCATE THEIR CHILDREN IN GOODNESS.

"God always knocks at the door of hearts. He likes to do this. It comes from His heart. But, do you know what He likes best? To knock on the doors of families and find families that are united, to find families that love each other, to find the families that bring up their children and educate them and help them to keep going forward and that create a society of goodness, of truth, and of beauty - Pope Francis @ World Meeting of Families 9/26 -27/2015



**Stewardship of Treasure
01/13-14/2018**

Holy Cross	
48 HC Envelopes	\$ 5,025.50
Loose	\$ 71.00
Youth	\$ 0.00
1 Sacristy	\$ 25.00
1 Holy Days	\$ 10.00
Total HC	\$5,131.50

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	\$ 4,000.00
Donations	\$37,087.00
Don. Direct to Endow.	\$ 1,700.00
Total Donations	\$43,118.94

Total in Cemetery Acct \$2,023.87

Cemetery Endowment Fund

To	
09/30/17	\$32,933.71

ACA 2017	1/17//2017
Goal	\$22,900
Pledged	\$ 12,155
ACA PD	\$ 10,048
% Participation	40.38%

THANK YOU!

January 28, 2018
Scripture Readings:
Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (71B)
Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9
1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

**Ministry Schedule
Saturday January 27, 2018**

Greeters : Missy Cox
Lector : Gay Ann Masolo
Gifts: Monte & Pat Montonario
EM: Terry Love & Debbie Miller
Servers: Abby & Zoey Wickens

**Ministry Schedule
Sunday January 28, 2017**

9:00 am

Greeters : Chuck & Lisa Larson
Lector : Julie Lethert
Gifts: Tom Bazuin & Jerry Solwey
EM: Tom & Julie Lethert
Servers: Jade Martin & Sierra Slyker
Music : Choir
Home Ministry: Juanita Bray
Money Counters: Pat Montonario & Jill Menard



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 Gorman, 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 grand-

daughter Zoe, Marie Hoeffner, Fran Wright, Kelly Flynn, Elliot Weakland, Troy Helmick, Jenny Schaubert, Bill Fitzgerald, Dana Banks,



Change for Life!

□ As you leave today, be sure to pick up a baby bottle. These bottles are a fundraiser for Options Clinic, our local pregnancy medical clinic offering life-affirming services to those facing an unintended pregnancy.



- Take a bottle home with you and fill it with cash, coins, checks, or CC info over the next few weeks.
- This is a fun and easy way to make a difference for **LIFE** in our community.



Please return your bottles to church by February 11th.

Saving Lives. Restoring Hope. Building Families.



Options Clinic is a 501(C)3. For more information visit our websites OptionsFriends.org and OptionsHelena.org or call 422.1011. **Thank you. Your generosity truly makes a difference!**

- **2 weeks to Sign Up for Retrouvaille** - Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? When was the last time you said "I Love You"? Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit our website: www.retrouvailleMT.org or www.HelpOurMarriage.com

ABORTION, THE SILENT HOLOCAUST

"All the wars ever fought, all the holocausts ever perpetrated, all the plagues that ever raged, all the bombs that ever dropped, all the famines that ever laid waste to the land, put together have not killed the number of human beings wiped out by ABORTION."

-Fr. Frank Pavone

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Join our Prayer Campaign

Prayer is the foundation of everything we do in the pro-life movement. You can strengthen the movement, save lives, and change hearts and minds by praying explicitly each day for an end to abortion, for the babies and their parents, for doctors and public officials, and for all who are working in this great cause.

At PrayerCampaign.org you can follow our prayer campaign throughout the year. You will find

- A daily prayer to end abortion
- Seasonal pro-life prayers (Advent, Lent, Easter, etc.)
- Novenas to prepare for special days (like January 22, the commemoration of Roe vs. Wade)
- Pro-life prayers for multiple occasions

We invite you to join this effort and to promote it in your family, parish, school, pro-life group, website, and more!

Partner with the Silent No More Awareness Campaign

At SilentNoMore.com, you can partner with the world's largest movement of women and men who have lost children to abortion. By doing so, you can spread the word that healing and forgiveness are available to those who have had abortions. An individual, organization, or church can "partner" with the campaign and thereby

- Promote the opportunities for healing.
- Use the testimonies (text, audio, and video) of those who have had abortions, to awaken others to the devastation it brings and to the healing Christ brings (see AbortionTestimonies.com).
- Invite men and women who are willing to share their abortion testimony to do so at gatherings, in churches, on radio and TV, or in private meetings with legislators and others.
- Invite those who have lost children to abortion to go to IRegretMyAbortion.com and indicate, anonymously if they prefer, that they regret their abortions. This creates a large chorus of voices showing the damage abortion does.

Study and Live the Pro-life Spirituality

Defending the unborn is not simply a "hobby" or a political ideology. It is a spirituality, an aspect of one's discipleship of Christ. You can study and commit to live the spirituality of being pro-life, and the particular virtues that go with it, by visiting MissionariesoftheGospelofLife.com. By doing this you will be given specific reading material that will deepen your understanding of the pro-life movement, such as Fr. Frank Pavone's books *Ending Abortion, Not Just Fighting It*, *Pro-life Reflections for Every Day*, and *Abolishing Abortion*, along with Janet Morana's book *Recall Abortion*.

You will also be able to connect with and be encouraged by like-minded people around the world who are also committed to this spirituality. You will meet them through our conference calls, online networking, and "Life cell" meetings in local communities. Visit MissionariesoftheGospelofLife.com. Ask for our introductory manual online or by calling [888-735-3448](tel:888-735-3448).

Exercise Political Responsibility

The pro-life movement works across party lines and calls everyone to rediscover that the foundational principle of government the right to life, and the duty of government to protect life. Moreover, if we want our public policies to be based on that principle, then it's necessary to participate in elections and in communicating with those who are elected.

At PoliticalResponsibility.com, you can learn more about the many activities you, your family, your organization, and your church can take part in to make a difference in public policy. You can learn about how to register voters, find information about candidates, get people to the polls, and hold public officials' feet to the fire so that they deliver on their promises.