



# Holy Cross Parish Bulletin

P.O. Box 610 (101 S. Walnut)  
Townsend, Montana 59644

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 28, 2018

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Fr. Micah Bagayang, Parochial Vicar

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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: "Never Worry About Numbers. Help one person at a time and always start with the person nearest you." - Mother Teresa

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

**Bulletin Deadline: Thursday 10 am**

## 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:

"So, you *men* could not keep watch with Me for one hour?" - Matthew 26:40

There is a sign up sheet for Adoration on Thursday evening February 1st 7pm—Midnight on the table in the Narthex.

- **2017 Parishioner Contribution** statements are on the table in the Narthex.
- **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.**
- **Legendary Lodge registration is now open at [www.showmyevent.com](http://www.showmyevent.com)** The registration fee is \$345.00. Residents within the Diocese of Helena begin registration January 1. For financial assistance contact Shawna Wickens 459-7273.



## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

"What wonderful majesty! What stupendous condescension! O sublime humility! That the Lord of the whole universe, God and

the Son of God, should humble Himself like this under the form of a little bread, for our salvation"

"...In this world I cannot see the Most High Son of God with my own eyes, except for His Most Holy Body and Blood."

- St. Francis of Assisi-

The annual Sweetheart dinner fundraiser to support the youth and served by the youth will be held on Sunday February 18th. Dinner is a choice of steak and stuffed salmon with sides and dessert. The cost is \$50 per couple. If you are interested in attending please contact Shawna Wickens at 459-7273 or Buffy at the Parish Office at 266-4811 no later than February 2nd. The proceeds from the dinner assist our youth in attending Legendary Lodge, CYC and other fun activities.

Mass	Schedule
Monday Jan 29, 2018	No Scheduled Mass
Tuesday, Jan 30, 2018	Rosary Daily Mass 6 pm Seminarists
Wednesday, Jan 31, 2018	Rosary Daily Mass 9 am Poor Soul's in Purgatory
Thursday, Feb. 1, 2018	Rosary Daily Mass 9 am The Unborn Holy Hour of Reparation 6 pm Adoration until midnight
Friday, Feb. 2, 2018	Rosary Daily Mass 9 am Michael M Kovich RB Marie Hankins
Saturday, Feb. 4, 2018	No Scheduled Mass
Sunday Feb. 5, 2018	Confession 8:30-8:45 am Mass 9:00 am Parish Family

January 28, 2018

Scripture Readings:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (71B)

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

Stewardship of Treasure  
01/21-22/2018

Holy Cross	
47 HC Envelopes	\$ 1,405.50
Loose	\$ 111.72
Youth	\$ 0.00
1 Sacristy	\$ 25.00
1 Reimbursement	\$ 97.55
1 Stipend	\$ 60.00
Total HC	\$ 1,699.77

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	\$37,157.00
Don. Direct to Endow.	\$ 1,700.00
Total Donations	\$43,118.94

Total in Cemetery Acct \$2,163.87

**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!**

**February 4, 2018**

**Scripture Readings:**

**Job 7:1-24, 6-7 (74B)**

**Psalms 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6**

**1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23**

**Gospel: Mark 1:29-39**

**Ministry Schedule**  
**Saturday February 3, 2018**  
**NO Scheduled Mass**

*Greeters :*

*Lector :*

*Gifts:*

*EM:*

*Servers:*

**Ministry Schedule**  
**Sunday February 4, 2017**  
**9:00 am**

*Greeters :*

*Tom & Julie Lethert*

*Lector :*

*Brian Hohn*

*Gifts:*

*The Eichinger Family*

*EM:*

*Claudette Hohn & Jerry Solwey*

*Servers:*

*Kaden & Riley Richtmyer*

*Music :*

*Carole Plymale*

*Home Ministry:*

*Pat McNeive*

*Money Counters:*

*Kristi Gersch &*

*Julie Lethert*



**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 Montanario's granddaughter Zoe, Marie Hoeffner, Fran Wright, Kelly Flynn, Elliot Weakland, Troy Helmick, Jenny Schaubert, Bill Fitzgerald, Dana Banks, Angelo Stefano family



## 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](http://OptionsFriends.org) and [OptionsHelena.org](http://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](http://www.retrouvailleMT.org) or [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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.