



# Holy Cross Parish Bulletin

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

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 11, 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**

### 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:

- 2017 Parishioner Contribution statements are on the table in the Narthex.
- Please continue our fellowship by joining us downstairs for Coffee Hour hosted by the Circle of Faith.
- Christian Men's Breakfast Tuesday February 13th 6:30 am hosted by Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church.
- CCW Meeting Tuesday February 13th in Parish Center at 6:30 pm.
- Knights' of Columbus Meeting Tuesday, February 13th.
- RE Class 5:15-8 pm. Sandwiches and dessert hosted by Angie Janacaro.
- Soup Supper Ash Wednesday February 14th hosted by Circle of Faith.
- Please remember if you are holding a function in the Church to make sure all doors are closed and locked.
- Please return your "Options Baby Bottles."
- Circle of Hope will hosted soup supper on Tuesday February 20th following 6 pm Mass.
- If you are hosting an event in the Parish Center and can not get to the office during business hours to pick up an event use form, there are some in the file holder on the outside of the office door.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



"O Lord, we cannot go to the pool of Siloe to which you sent the blind man. But we have the chalice of Your Precious Blood, filled with life and light. The purer we are, the more we receive."

- St. Ephraem

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 Feb. 12, 2018	No Scheduled Mass
Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2018	Rosary Daily Mass 6 pm Special Intentions RB Dolores Meuchel
Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2018	ASH WEDNESDAY 6 pm Distribution of Ashes
Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018	Rosary Daily Mass 9 am Joe & Roxie Nistler
Friday, Feb. 16, 2018	Daily Mass 9 am Adoration Allison, Shannon & Family RB Joe & Roxie Nistler
Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018	Confession 4:15-4:45 pm Mass 5 pm Homebound Parishioners
Sunday Feb. 18, 2018	Confession 8:30-8:45 am Mass 9:00 am Parish Family

**FEBRUARY 11, 2018**

**Scripture Readings:**

**Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46(77B)**

**Psalms: 32:1-2, 5, 11**

**1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1**

**Gospel: Mark 1:40-45**

01/27-28/2018

Holy Cross	
50 HC Envelopes	\$ 2,843.00
Loose	\$ 29.13
Youth	\$ 0.00
1 Reimbursement	<u>\$ 1,281.96</u>
Total HC	\$ 4,144.09

Holy Cross Parish Endowment Fund:  
\$22,146.01 as of 12/31/17

**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	\$37,857.00
Don. Direct to Endow.	<u>\$ 1,700.00</u>
Total Donations	\$43,188.94

Total in Cemetery Acct \$2,233.87

**Cemetery Endowment Fund**

12/31/17	\$34,151.74
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ACA 2017	1/17//2017
Goal	\$22,900
Pledged	\$ 13,755
ACA PD	\$ 11,763
% Participation	43.27%

**THANK YOU!**

**Ministry Schedule  
Saturday February 17, 2018**

5:00 pm

*Greeters :* Harold & Laura Gibbs  
*Lector :* Claudette Hohn  
*Gifts:* Gene & Bev Determan  
*EM:* Missy Cox & Steve Kitt  
*Servers:* Aspen & Sierra Slyker

**Ministry Schedule  
Sunday February 18, 2018**

9:00 am

*Greeters :* Bonnie Olsen  
*Lector :* Carole Plymale  
*Gifts:* Martin & Doris Mingay  
*EM:* Tom & Nora Bazuin  
*Servers:* Zach & Zoey Wickens  
*Music :* Men's Choir  
*Home Ministry:* Mary Duede  
*Money Counters:* Juanita Bray & Doris Mingay



**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,  
 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, Dana Banks, Cory Janes

**February 18, 2018**

**Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46 (77B)**

**Psalms 32: 1-2, 5, 11**

**1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1**

**Lenten Schedule for Our Lady of the Valley Parish:**

Ash Wednesday: Feb. 14 - 7:00 pm Mass

Every Friday of Lent: 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross

(Begins Feb. 16) Followed by Soup & Bread

7:15 pm Adult Spirituality series: "Laudato Si' - On Care for Our Common Home"

Penance Liturgy: Tue. Mar. 20 - 7:00 pm

**Lenten Schedule at SS. Cyril & Methodius:**

Ash Wednesday - Feb. 14 at noon and 6 pm

Stations of the Cross, Friday after noon Mass, Feb. 16 through March 23

Lenten Penance Service, Tuesday, March 13, Prayer Service at 5 pm, Confessions 5:15-6:30 pm.

**Cathedral of St. Helena's Lenten schedule.**

Ash Wednesday February 14- Mass and ashes at 7 am, 12 noon and 5 pm

Stations of the Cross Fridays, February 16 through March 30 at 5 pm

Confessions follow the Saturday morning Mass from 9:35 until approx. 11 am

Journey to Jerusalem Study Wednesdays March 7, 14, 21 at 10-11:30 am or Thursdays March 8, 15, 22 at 6:30-8 pm. (This is by preregistration)



## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Reflection

### Christ The Teacher

What if this leper had been afraid to come to Jesus? What if he had fearfully remained in his isolation, afraid to come out in the open with his sickness, afraid to break with social protocol and kneel at the Master's feet? He would have stayed stuck in his gruesome affliction. The first lesson, then, consists in admitting our need for help, coming to know that we are infected by sin and sinful tendencies, and that we need to be healed of this spiritual disease. Since (with the devil's help) we have become experts in muffling our conscience, however, we can easily convince ourselves that we don't really need God. But if that were the case, why would Christ have come to earth?

This holy leper also teaches us two secrets to effective prayer: confidence and humility. He has no doubt that Christ can cure him, "If you want to, you can cure me." But he also knows that he has no right to demand a cure; he doesn't say, "Cure me!" he says, "If you want to" i.e. "you know what will be best for me and for your Kingdom; if curing me will give you glory, please do so, but if not, I will still believe and trust in you." Confidence and humility unleash the roaring flood of power and compassion that streams from the heart of God: "Feeling sorry for him"

If our prayer weaves together a healthy awareness of our need for God's grace and assistance, a real confidence in his power and love, and the elegance of humility, God will be able to wonders in us as well.

- *The Better Part*, Fr. John Bartunek

