

MASS	LEADERS	READERS	MINISTERS of COMMUNION
7.00pm	C. Heynen	B Beresford	S & S Sequiera
7.00am	V. Coakley	F Ah Ken	F Skinner P Coakley
9.00am	MM. D'Silva	A McGrath	L. Buckley, C. Connolly, N. Lockington, B. Aalbers, A. D'Souza, p. Van Rotterdam, M. Faleuse, B. Oliver
10.30am	Y O U T H		
7.00pm	S. Rainbow	J Mati	M. Eade, D. Sutton

Cleaning Roster:

24TH Dec 2011 – M Devereaux

Children's Liturgy Roster:

No Children's Liturgy until Term 1 2012

Scripture Readings during the week: (Psalter Week 4)

Monday: Judges 13:2-7,24-25; Lk 1:5-25

Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Song 2:8-14; Lk 1:39-45

Thursday: 1 Sam 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

Friday: Malachi 3:1-4,23-24; Lk 1:57-66

Saturday: 2 Sam 7:1-5,8-12,14,16; Lk 1:67-79

Parish Time Table during the holiday period

Monday 8.40am Rosary; 9am Mass and the Morning Prayer of the Church

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Saturday 7.40am Rosary; 8am Mass;
11.30am-12.30am Reconciliation;
7pm Vigil Mass

Sunday Masses are at 7am, 9am, 10.30am and 7pm.

Please note: From now until the next publishing of the Parish Bulletin, there will be no Novena to Our Lady or evening Mass on Wednesdays; No Holy Hour on Wednesday mornings; No exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays and Thursdays; and No First Friday Mass in January. Please find the weekday Scripture Readings in the calendar of our weekly Psalm Books in the Church. **Please DO NOT take the Psalm book home so that others can use it.**



Next Sunday: 25th December 2011 – CHRISTMAS

Masses are: Sat – 7pm, Sun – 7am, 9am, 10.30am, 7pm

Readings: Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

HOLY CROSS PARISH Served by the Capuchin Community

Parish Priest: Fr Paul Helsham, OFM Cap
Asst Priest: Fr Sebastian Fernandes OFM Cap
Fr Venantius Sitohang OFM Cap

Pastoral Worker: Marie Osborne
Parish Secretary: Hazel Gandionco
Email: secretary@hendersoncatholic.org.nz
Website: www.hendersoncatholic.org.nz

Parish Office: Ph 838-1558 Fax 838-2656

Office Hours 9am-1pm M-F

Parish Church: Ph 838-6435

Friary: 14 Lavelle Road, Henderson, PO Box 21-082, Henderson, Waitakere 0650
Ph 838-8663, Fax 838-7114.

School: Principal - Mrs Kathy Moy-Low Ph 838-8802



SUNDAY: 18TH DEC 2011 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



**Readings: 2 Sam 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Rom 16:25-27
Lk 1:26-38**

Responsorial Psalm: 88 (Psalm to be said by congregation alternately reader's side first followed by the Priest's side)

Readers Side:

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim
your truth.

Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for
ever,
that your truth is firmly established as
the heavens.

Priests Side:

'I have made a covenant with my chosen
one;

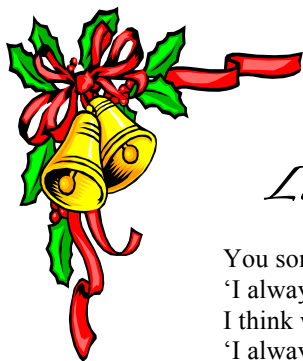
I have sworn to David my servant:
I will establish your dynasty for ever
and set up your throne through all a

Readers Side:

He will say to me: 'You are my father
my God, the rock who saves me.'
I will keep my love for him always;
for him my covenant shall endure.

Parish Office will be closed from Friday 23rd December and will re-open on Monday 24th January 2012. If you wish to speak to a priest during this period, please ring the Friary on 838-8663.

St Vincent de Paul collection to be taken up after Mass THIS weekend



COMMUNION REFLECTION

Lonely at Christmas

You sometimes hear people say,
 'I always find Christmas Day a lonely day.'
 I think what they are really saying is:
 'I always feel lonely on Christmas day.'
 Loneliness is caused chiefly by two things:
 absence and emptiness.
 Let us spare a thought, a prayer, and maybe a visit
 for someone who will spend Christmas alone.
 And if while spending Christmas in the midst of others,
 we still feel lonely, let us not be alarmed.
 Our hearts are always longing for something more,
 or rather, for Someone else.
 In every human heart there is an empty chamber
 waiting for a guest. That guest is God.

(Reprinted from New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies – Year B)



Pompallier Hokianga Trust invites you to the annual commemoration of Bishop Pompallier's first Mass in New Zealand in January 1838. TOTARA POINT, the site of the first official Mass in this country, especially for the annual Mass on Sunday 8th January 2012 at 11am and MOTUTI, where the Bishop's remains have been interred in St Mary's Church. The Church is open all day.

St Vincent de Paul would like to thank all those who have supported our Conference this year with different types of donations. May God bless you during this Christmas season.

Carol night at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 7 Glendale Rd, Glen Eden. 6- 7pm Sunday 18th December. Come and join us.

The Salesians of Don Bosco invite all the Past Pupils and Friends of Don Bosco to celebrate the feast of St John Bosco on Saturday 28 January 2012. The Holy Mass will begin at 11am and will be followed by shared feast day lunch in the Church Hall. Please bring a plate. The venue: St Malachy's Church: 461 Swanson Road, Ranui. Call 09 833 7420 for more information.

-Fr James Adayadiel SDB-

Headlines from the December 18-24 issue of NZ Catholic: Winners and finalists from NZ Catholic schools Christmas art competition. Dunedin diocese has first ordination for four years. Tough faith shows in Church's martyrs. Pakistan close to Catholic aid worker's heart.

CHRISTMAS PARISH RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

<i>Monday 19th December</i>	<i>Avondale Parish</i>	<i>7.30p</i>
	<i>Ranui Parish</i>	<i>7.30p</i>
<i>Tuesday 20th December</i>	<i>Massey Parish</i>	<i>7.30p</i>
<i>Wednesday 21st December</i>	<i>Glen Eden Parish</i>	<i>7.30p</i>
	<i>Te Atatu Parish</i>	<i>7.30p</i>

DAILY MASS CALENDAR & MASS & PSALM BOOKS ARE NOW AVAILABLE
 THE OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS.

Daily Mass Calendar - \$3.00 and Mass & Psalm Book - \$12.50

CHRISTMAS 2010 CELEBRATIONS TIME TABLE



Saturday 24th December

7pm: Vigil Mass for Children and Families of the Parish

10.30pm – 11.15pm: Carols

11.15pm – Midnight: Carol Service

12 Midnight: Blessing of the Crib and Midnight Mass

Sunday 25th December: Christmas Day

Masses will be at 7am, 9am, 10.30am and 7pm

Hospital Chaplaincy Assistants Needed: 2012 Auckland Course will held commencing 6th March 2012. Applications close 14th January. Check the not board for more information.

2012 Columban Calendars on sale now after Mass - \$8.00

Holy Land pilgrimage

Enquiries are invited for a Holy Land pilgrimage in September 2012, led by Pat McCart former editor of *NZ Catholic*, and with Bishop Colin Campbell of Dunedin as chaplain. The 16-day pilgrimage will visit the holy places in Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem and around the Sea of Galilee. For a free brochure, ring Pat on (09) 480-4463 or email him c contact@seetheholyland.net.

You can also see the holy places on Pat's website, www.seetheholyland.net

Leader of Adult Faith Formation Catholic Diocese of Auckland is seeking a person provide leadership, inspiration and direction in faith formation to enable adult Catholics deepen their knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the richness of their faith. It is a full time position, which includes some weekend and evening work. For the description and person specification, apply to Leader Parish & Pastoral Services Gro Private Bag 47904, Ponsonby, Auck 1144. Ph 360.3004; email patl@cda.org. Applications close on 15th February, 2012.