

8th September 2019 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings This Week
 Wis 9:13-18
 Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17
 Philem 9-10, 12-17
 Lk 14:25-33

Readings Next Week
 Exo 32:7-11, 13-14
 Ps 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19
 1 Tim 1:12-17
 Lk 15:1-32

**Readings Next Week (Sun
 10.30am Parish Feast Day Mass)**
 Num 21:4-9
 Ps 77:1-2, 34-38
 Phil 2:6-11
 Jn 3:13-17

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17)

Response: *In every age, O Lord, You have been our refuge.*

Communion Reflection

Beatitudes

Blessed are those who realise that they cannot live on bread alone but need the word of God too; they will be fully nourished.

Blessed are those who, when they have sinned, follow the example of the prodigal son, and come back home to seek reconciliation: they will cause heaven to ring with joy.

Blessed are those who stop to attend to a wounded neighbour, pouring in the oil of compassion and the wine of hope; they are the Good Samaritans today.

Blessed are those who remove the plank from their own eyes before telling their brother to remove the splinter from his; their efforts at reforming others will bear fruit.

And blessed are those who, having put their hand to the plough, refuse to look back: they will be found worthy of the Kingdom.

(Flor McCarthy, New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies)

St Vincent de Paul's Collection for the Needy will be taken up after all Masses NEXT weekend

Teach us that we may gain

Wisdom of Heart - Psalm 90

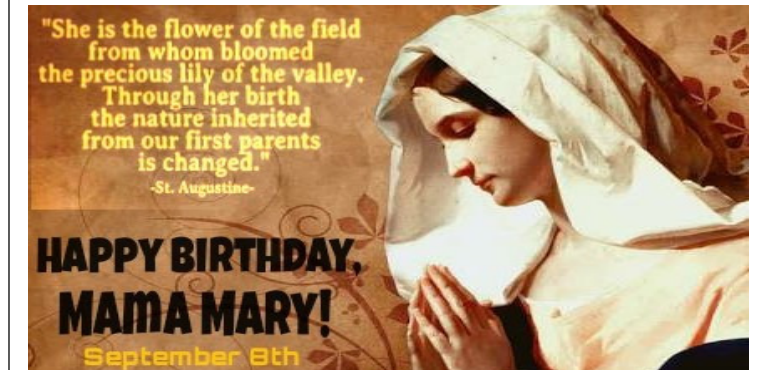


How unsure are you of your plans?
 Do you count the Costs before building a Tower?
 What would you let go today?



WE OFTEN NEED GREAT **W**ISDOM TO KNOW HOW TO ACT
 - TRUST IN GOD WHO KNOWS MORE THAN WE DO -

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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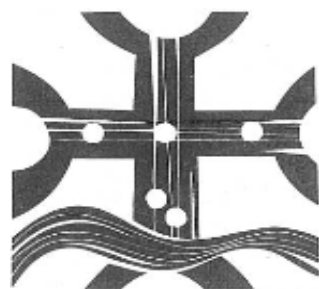
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HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES

- HOLY CROSS PARISH EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS 9 DAYS NOVENA:** This year the Holy Cross Parish Henderson is celebrating the Parish Feast Day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross with a Novena beginning on **Friday 6th September 2019 at 7.30pm**, and ending on **Saturday 14th September 2019 at 6pm**. Novena Mass will start at 7.30pm on weekdays, and at 6pm on weekend. Please see noticeboard for details.
- PARISH FEAST DAY FOOD FAIR:** The Parish will be having an International Food Fair on **Saturday 14th September 2019 at 12pm** in the Parish Hall, as part of its Feast Day celebration (*in conjunction with the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*). Do come and join us for this joyous occasion!
- SATURDAY MORNING RECONCILIATION:** There will be NO Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Saturday 14th September at 11am** due to the Parish Feast Day Food Fair. We apologise for the inconvenience caused!
- LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING** is on **Thursday 12th September** at 7pm in the Friary Meeting Room.
- LITURGY ROSTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2019** is available now in the Parish Hall foyer. Only limited copies have been printed this time as it is only for the month of September. Those Readers and Eucharistic Ministers rostered for September, please take a copy home.
- SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** will be celebrated on **Tuesday 17th September** at 11am followed by a shared luncheon.
- MARIAN MOTHERS GROUP** meets **3rd Monday 16th September** at 7.30pm. For more information, please contact Frances on 818-8606.
- RAFFLES TICKETS:** The Indian Community is selling raffles tickets (\$2 each or \$5 for 3) after the Mass. The draw will be on the Feast Day Food Fair.
- MISSING TEAPOTS:** Whoever borrowed the Holy Cross Parish teapots and Caring Community's brown teapot, please return them to the Parish Office ASAP.
- ABUNDANT GIFTS PIETY STALL** (selling religious items) will be in the Parish Hall kitchenette after all Masses (except Sunday 6pm Mass) next weekend.
- NZ CATHOLIC Newspaper 8 – 21 September issue is out now.** Some headlines are: *Fr Matthew Gibson ordained in Hamilton. NZ co-hosts safeguarding conference in Rome. Bishops urge parishioners to stand for life. Visiting Deaf priest stresses need for sign language training.* The next issue of NZ Catholic will be published on **September 22**.



BAPTISMAL CROSS

Onesimus, a slave's name, means "useful." We are each called by God to be useful to the divine plan. The baptized Onesimus is equal to any one of us. Because of Jesus, we are all brothers and sisters in God's family. We are not the same; each of us is unique and has different gifts of the Spirit, but we all serve "in our place" the wisdom of God's intentions. Our baptismal Cross is the key to a true disciple of the one Master, Jesus. He says: "Follow Me!" Do you take up your cross? (Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C. Illustration © 2001 S. Erpamer. Text, Philip J. Sandstrom, STD © 2000 OCP. All rights reserved.)

"Mary's greatness consists in the fact that she wants to magnify GOD, not herself."
-Pope Benedict XVI-

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 7th / 8th September 2019

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry	Altar Servers
Vigil Sat 6pm	E Cueva	J Soniega	J & G Cueva	Youth for Christ	S & R D'Souza
Sun 7am	B Barclay	P Turnwald	F Ah Ken, K D'Souza		
Sun 9am	V Coakley	T Tuala	P Coakley, B Boyd-Bell, J Baptist, L Buckley, O Tuuhetoka, T Malone, A Ridley, S Smith	Goldwyn Family	Volunteer
Sun 10.30am	SAMOAN COMMUNITY				
Sun 6pm	T Tevaga	L Ahio	T Tevaga, J D'Souza	DRCNZ	C, E & J Redfern

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 14th / 15th September 2019

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry	Altar Servers
Vigil Sat 6pm	M de Hoog	M de Melo	L & D Cowan	Evelyn Pereira	T Sue
Sun 7am	M Turnwald	F Ah Ken	A & K D'Souza		
Sun 9am	M Warren	A Baptist	J Baptist, J Thomsen, S Patolo, P Tomas, T Mutimuti, A & C Crasto, M Seufatu	Lesatele Family	H Alua
10.30am (Parish Feast Day Mass)	A Swann	M Tuala, C Ouano	L Swann, F Borsos, J Martinez, B Oliver, C & S Orquejo, M & A McKeown	Couples for Christ	R Macayan & T Eade
Sun 6pm	FIJI COMMUNITY				
					J & S Fernando

Scripture Readings during the week: Week 3

- Mon:** *St Peter Claver, priest (Green)*
Col 1:24 – 2:3; Ps 61:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
- Tues:** Col 2:6-15; Ps 144:1-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
- Wed:** Col 3:1-11; Ps 144:2-3, 10-13; Lk 6:20-26
- Thurs:** *The Most Holy Name of Mary (White)*
Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1-6; Lk 6:27-38
- Fri:** *St John Chrysostom, bishop & doctor of the church (White)*
1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42
- Sat:** **THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (RED)**
Num 21:4-9; Ps 77:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

ProLife Facts: Bob McCoskrie, director of Family First commissioned a breakthrough short video on the reality of second-trimester abortion using animation. Just six minutes duration, it's narrated by Dr Norman Maclean, a retired medical practitioner from Southland who specialised in Obstetrics and Gynaecology. Dr Maclean explains the size and development of a 20-week old preborn baby and then using animation, reveals how a dilation and evacuation abortion is carried out. The reality cuts through all the euphemisms and slogans about "My Body, My Choice" and "abortion-care". The current Abortion Legislation Bill allows abortion on demand up to and including 20 weeks. This is how it is done and Christians need to see the reality of what their MPs are voting for. View at the Family First website. For more information: www.voiceforlife.org.nz

SUBMISSIONS ON PROPOSED NEW ABORTION BILL: Recently the Government has introduced a new and very liberal abortion bill into Parliament which would provide abortion fully on demand up to 20 weeks of pregnancy and then much easier abortion right up to the time of birth. Submissions have been invited from concerned New Zealanders up to the closing date of **Thursday 19 September**. Please support our parish's drive to collect as many short submissions as possible with the help of easy-to-use resources at all Masses this weekend. More background information on the proposed law can be obtained on Family First's campaign website, 'Love them Both': <https://www.chooselife.org.nz/lovethemboth/>. To assist with any difficulties during or after pregnancy, please be aware of the support offered at no cost by Pregnancy Counselling Services who can be contacted through their website, or by calling 0800 030 985 or by texting 021 289 8727. Please see noticeboard for more information.

HOLY CROSS MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri – 9am
Wed – 9am & 7.30pm, Sat – 8am
Weekend: Sat Vigil Mass – 6pm
Sun Masses: 7am, 9am, 10.30am & 6pm

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Sat: 11.30am - 12.30pm & 5pm – 5.30pm
Wed: 6.30pm - 7pm
Also by appointment
Phone Friary - 838 8663

RETREATS, COURSES & OTHER EVENTS

We are in the "Season of Creation", an ecumenical initiative dedicated to prayer for the protection of creation and the promotion of sustainable lifestyles. It runs until 4th October, the feast of St Francis of Assisi. Copies of the pamphlet "23 green tips – small steps towards a sustainable life" from the Justice and Peace Commission are available now in the parish and also online at <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/justice-peace/environment-sustainability-committee/>. Simple practical ways to make a difference.

Social Justice Week 2019 starting this **Sunday 8th September** until **14th September 2019**. Copies of leaflet by Caritas New Zealand are available at the parish foyer. Please take a copy home.

Pilgrimage for Life: In response to the proposed abortion law legislation, Family Life International, a Pro-Life organisation based has quickly organised a nation-wide Pilgrimage for Life. The pilgrimage started in Cape Regina and Bluff moving from parish to parish, until they eventually meet on **Wednesday, 18th September** at St. Francis de Sales Island Bay Wellington, for a final 7pm Mass. This is one day before submissions close. The pilgrimage began last Sunday. To find out more including how you can participate, see the <https://fli.org.nz/pilgrimage-for-life/>

Holy Cross Seminary invites all to celebrate with the seminary staff and students the Feast of the Holy Cross. Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont St, Ponsonby, at **5pm** on **Monday, 16 September**.

CFC Youth for Christ is inviting all youths aged 12-21 to join the upcoming Spark Joy and Rekindle Christ Entry Camp this **September 13-15, 2019**. It will be a fun camp that aims to deepen our understanding of our faith as well as strengthen that relationship with God. For more information, contact Anton Padilla (02202336538) or Tessera Lastimosa (0224107640), or visit our Facebook Event page (West B Entry Camp 2019 Spark Joy: Rekindle Christ)."

ROSARY

Monday to Friday – 8.40am
Saturday – 7.40am

20 DECADE ROSARY

Wednesday – After 9am Mass

DIVINE MERCY

Chaplet: Tuesday – 8.25am
Meeting: 4th Sun of the Month – 2pm

NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
Wednesday – 7.10pm

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
Rosary – 6.45pm followed by Adoration & Holy Mass

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
3rd Tuesday of the Month – 11am

SECULAR FRANCISCANS
2nd Sunday of the Month – 2.15pm


HOLY CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
3rd Thursday of the Month – 7pm

LEGION OF MARY

SENIOR: Tuesday – 7pm
JUNIOR: Monday – 6.30pm

MARIAN MOTHERS
3rd Monday of the Month – 7.30pm

Please see the Noticeboard for other **Retreats, Courses & Events**



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