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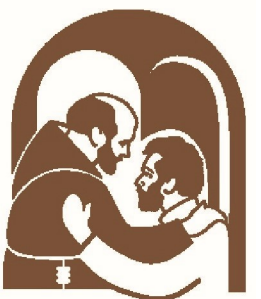
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"If you should fail, be humble, make a resolution to be submissive to God's will and then get up, and carry on" -St. Padre Pio

## 27th February 2022 – Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time



### Readings This Week

First: Sirach 27: 4-7  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 92  
Second: 1Corinthians 15:54-58  
Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

### Readings Next Week (FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT)

First: Deuteronomy 26: 4-10  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 91  
Second: Romans 10: 8-13  
Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

### Responsorial Psalm 92

Response: **Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.**

### Communion Reflection

The Lord Jesus wants to heal and restore us to wholeness, not only for our own sake alone. He also wants us to be his instruments of healing, pardon, and restoration for others as well. What can hinder us from helping others draw near to Jesus the divine Physician? The Rabbis taught: "He who judges his neighbour favourably will be judged favourably by God." How easy it is to misjudge others and how difficult it is to be impartial in giving good judgment. Our judgment of others is usually "off the mark" because we can't see inside the other person, or we don't have access to all the facts, or we are swayed by instinct and unreasoning reactions to people. It is easier to find fault in others than in oneself. A critical and judgmental spirit crushes rather than heals, oppresses rather than restores, repels rather than attracts. "Thinking the best of other people" is necessary if we wish to grow in love. And kindness in judgment is nothing less than a sacred duty.

**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
— THE BEGINNING OF LENT —

**WHAT IS ASH WEDNESDAY**  
Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent. Palm branches blessed on Palm Sunday of the previous year are burned to create ashes which will be imposed on the faithful's foreheads.

**WHY USE ASHES**  
Since the Old Testament, ashes have been a symbol of repentance. Imposing it upon the faithful's forehead is a reminder and an invitation to repent, and follow God.

**WHAT IS LENT**  
The 40-day period from Ash Wednesday and before Easter Sunday. It is marked by praying, fasting, abstinence, and other acts of penance.

**WHAT IS FASTING**  
One meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed one full meal.

**WHAT IS ABSTINENCE**  
Abstinence is refraining from eating meat. Meat is considered to be the flesh and organs of mammals and fowl.

**DAYS OF FAST**  
Ash Wednesday, Good Friday

**DAYS OF ABSTINENCE**  
Ash Wednesday, All Fridays of Lent, Good Friday

**WHO ARE REQUIRED**  
Catholics aged 18 to 59. The sick are excused from fasting.

**WHO ARE REQUIRED**  
Mandatory for everyone older than 14 years old.

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## HOLY CROSS PARISH HENDERSON UNDER RED COVID FRAMEWORK

Just a gentle reminder that our masses are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Mask/face covering is mandatory.

All masses require My Vaccine Pass.

Scan QR code or paper register before entering the church.

Keep 2 metre physical distancing.

### Mass Schedule

**Saturday 6pm** With My Pass Mass in the Church (Limit of 100)  
Drive-in Mass Option Available\*

**Sunday 7am** With My Pass Mass in the Church (Limit of 100)  
and **Without My Pass IN THE PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE (Limit of 25)**

**Sunday 9am** With My Pass Mass in the Church (Limit of 100)  
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**Sunday 10:30am** With My Pass Mass in the Church (Limit of 100)  
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**\*DRIVE-IN MASS OPTION (IF THE CHURCH IS FULL)**

How this will work is: you just have to tune into FM STATION 96.0 to hear our on going Mass.

A Eucharistic Minister will be outside for those who wish to receive communion. This is a great opportunity for those who missed out the limit of 100 in the church or those who are vulnerable.

**Ash Wednesday, 2nd March 2022 -**

**9am** With My Pass Mass in the Church (Limit of 100)  
and **Without My Pass IN THE PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE (Limit of 25)**  
Drive-in Mass Option Available

**7pm** With My Pass Mass in the Church (Limit of 100)  
With My Pass Mass IN THE HALL (Limit of 100)  
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**Stations of the Cross** in the church will start every Friday from 4th of March until 15th of April from 7pm ( With My Pass, first -come, first-served basis & limit of 100).

**Technical Team**—We are looking for volunteers to help set-up live streaming for weekend masses. There will be meeting on Monday, 28th February 7:30pm at the parish pastoral centre for those who are interested to join. For more information, please call the parish office.

**Volunteers** —We need volunteers for mass registrations, church cleaning and flower arrangements. on our weekend masses. Please contact our parish office on 09 835 3355 if you are interested.

**Auckland Diocese News and Events Link** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/news/page/9/>

**Mass Collection** figures last weekend were as follows:

1st collection : \$ 1,412.00

2nd collection : \$ 1,635.60

Thank you for your kind support and generosity.

## COVID ALERT

We have been informed by Auckland Regional Public Health Service that a parishioner who attended our **6pm Mass on Sunday, 20th February 2022** has tested Covid positive. If you have any symptoms of Covid, please get tested and isolate.

Take care and God bless you all.

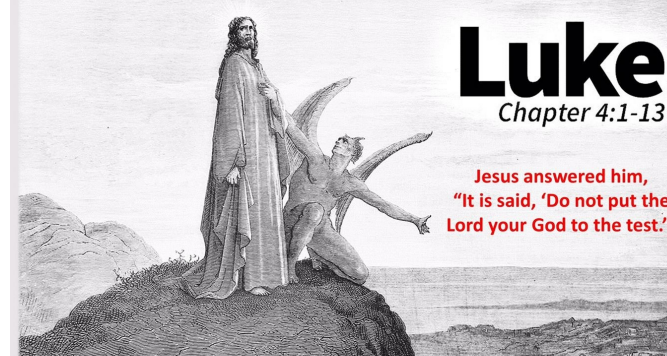
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Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
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6pm to 7pm**



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### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Peter 1: 3-9 ; Ps111; Mark 10: 17-27

**Tuesday:** 1Peter 1: 10-16; Ps 98; Mark 10: 28-31

**Wed:** Joel 2: 12-18 : Ps 51; 2Cor: 20 - 6:2; Matthew 6:1-6,16-18

**Thursday:** Deut 30: 15-20 ; Ps 1; Luke 9: 22-25

**Friday:** Isaiah 58: 1-9a ; Ps 51; Matthew 9: 14-15

**Saturday:** Isaiah 58: 9b-14 ; Ps 86; Luke 5: 27-32

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