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18 Dec 2022 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Readings This Week
First: **Isaiah 7: 10-14**
Responsorial Psalm: **24**
Second: **Romans 1: 1-7**
Gospel: **Matthew 1: 18-24**

Readings Next Week
First: **Isaiah 52: 7-10**
Responsorial Psalm: **98**
Second: **Hebrews 1:1-6**
Gospel: **John 1:1-18**

Responsorial Psalm 24
Response: **Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.**

Mission Statement of Our Parish
"We the Catholic Community of the Holy Cross Parish Henderson, empowered by the Holy Spirit, accept and proclaim the Good News and strive to be one in God's love and to be of service to others."

Communion Reflection
"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Matthew 1:20-21
Reflect, today, upon any way that you feel challenged by life's circumstances. What tempts you to doubt, to be confused, or to feel uncertain? What is it that requires supernatural knowledge on your part to embrace? If God the Father chose to bring forth His divine Son in such a mysterious way, then we should not be surprised when God calls us to embrace similar mysteries in life. Walk by faith. Be inspired by Saint Joseph. Say "Yes" to that which God is asking of you. As you do, you will find that you will begin to walk down the most glorious road you can walk.
Most glorious Saint Joseph, you were a man of true righteousness and integrity. You were open to the inspired gift of faith and chose to walk by that faith as you faced the greatest of mysteries. Please pray for me that I may learn from you and be inspired to imitate the life that you lived. Saint Joseph, pray for us. Jesus, I trust in You.

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MASS TIMES
Tuesday & Thursday - 9am
Wednesday - 9am & 7:30pm
Friday - 9am and every First Friday of the month at 7:30pm
Saturday - 8am and 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday - 7am, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Thursday— After 9am Mass until 12pm
RECONCILIATION
Wednesday - 6:45pm to 7:15pm
Also by appointment
BAPTISM SCHEDULE
Saturday 10:30—12:30pm
HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S CATECHISM CLASSES
Every Sunday 10:30am –11:30am
HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S Mass
Every First Saturday of the Month at 6pm
20 DECADE ROSARY
Wednesday –After 9am Mass
NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
Wednesday 7:10pm
FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
Rosary: 6:45pm followed by Adoration & Holy Mass
CARING COMMUNITY
Drop-in every Tuesday after 9 am Mass
SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 11am followed by a shared lunch
MEDITATION
Last Friday of the month at 10am
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET NOVENA & ROSARY
Every 4th Sunday of the month 2pm-3pm

HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES

Liturgy Meeting—Ministries of the Mass, choir members and those who are interested to join will have a general meeting on Thursday, 9th February 2023 from 7:30pm followed by light refreshments. Please save the date.

Preparation for Holy Week—We are inviting all the community leaders to meet on Thursday, 23rd February 2023 at 7:30pm at the parish pastoral centre. Please save the date.

Altar Servers— Serving God as an altar server is a wonderful way for a child to grow in faith as well as in responsibility, friendship, and other virtues. If your child is interested to become an altar server, please contact Sr Akenese on 021 251 3796. She's available for training any day of the week.

OFFERTORY: Starting next year 2023, we would like to roster parish families to take up the offertory at all Sunday masses. The hope is that, it will give an opportunity for every family to meaningfully participate at the Eucharist Celebration. If you have a preferred Sunday your family likes, please contact Sister Ake on akeholycross@gmail.com.

Christmas Socials— A big thank you again for the families, communities and parish volunteers for supporting our Christmas Socials. We have raised a total of \$ 9,631.00. All proceeds will go towards the parish hall renovation.

Rosters for next year are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Auckland Diocese Notices are posted on the church notice board.

Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule

24th December 6pm - Children's Mass

24th December 10:30pm onwards - Carols

24th December Midnight Christmas Mass

- followed by Meet and Greet with wine and cheese—*Celebrating the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ*

25th December 7am Mass, 9am Mass and 10:30am Mass (No 6pm Mass)

31st December 6pm New Year's Eve Children's Mass

31st December 9:30pm-10pm Silent Adoration —*Thanking the Lord for the year end*

31st December 10pm New Year's Eve Mass

- followed by Meet and Greet with wine and cheese

1st January 7am Mass, 9am Mass, 10:30am Mass, 6pm Mass

No First Friday Mass in January

No evening Wednesday masses in January.

No confession and adoration in January.

Office closed from 24th December 2022 until 23rd January 2023.

For urgent matters please TEXT 022 673 2208.

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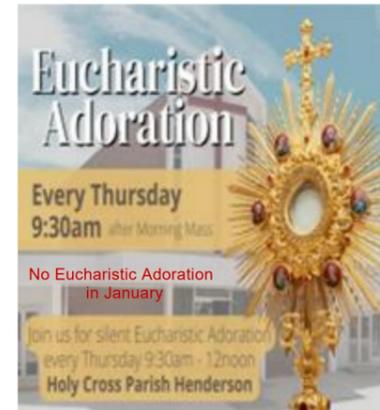
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Mass Collection
For last week

1st Collection \$ 1,567.00
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Building Fund Envelope \$ 170.00
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Monthly parish Receipts and Disbursements Report is posted regularly on the church foyer board.

Thank you for your kind support and generosity.



ROSTER FOR 4th Wk of Advent 17th & 18th December Yr A Wk 4

Mass	Vigil Mass 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Eric Cueva	Sr Ake Nun Toon	Vui Tai Asiata	Madelene Warren	Catherine Tanginoa
Reader 1:	Cel Padilla	Okesa Paea	Michael Smith	Tricia Fermin	Apeksha Gupta
Reader 2:	Michele de Melo	Anil Baptist	Yollando	Tanya Fermin	Pauline Conrad
Ministers of Holy Communion	Angel Cueva, Grace Cueva, Joisse Cueva	Jennifer Baptist, Winnie Veikoso	Teresa Malone, Noelene Early, Bernadette B-Bell	Teresita Fermin, Noel Fermin, Trixie Fermin	Sagato Matau, Emmett Kennedy, Xavier Tanginoa
Collector:	Phyllis Godwin	Sullivan Family	Anthony Couto	Michael Eades	Floey & Mary Louise
Altar Servers:	Ryan, Zephan &	Matthew &	Caroline & Levi	Timothy Eades	Neil Fernandes
Music Ministry:	Evelyn Pereira	Quiet Mass	Lesatele Family	Couples for Christ	Legion of Mary
		Cleaning Couples for Christ Redfern Family Sagote Family	No flowers until Christmas	Children's Liturgy Arthy & Dennis	

Mass	ROSTER FOR 24th December Christmas Midnight Mass
Leader:	Sr Akenese Nun Toon
Reader 1:	Savieta Lea
Reader 2:	Mary Louise Membrere
Reader 3:	Zaira Mathew
Reader 1	Chris Mendes
Reader 2	Douglas Gibson
Gospel:	Father Sebastian
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Ann & Mike Mckeown, Gemma Dominguez, Jabin Jose, Sulieti
Altar Servers	Caroline
Offertory	Samoa Community

ROSTER FOR Christmas Day Mass 2022

Mass	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am
Leader :	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Miriama Betham	Filipino Community
Reader 1:	Mary Turnwald	Zaira Mathew	
Reader 2:	Frances Ah Ken	Anil Baptist	
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Francis Ah Ken, Selesitina Levave, Winnie Veikoso	Jennifer Baptist, Sina Patolo, Peit Bakker	
Altar Servers	Selemena & Matthew	Chana & Hezekia	
Collectors	Sullivan Family	Anthony	
Offertory		Frenswa Family	
Music Grp	Sr Ake and friends	Lesatele Family	

ROSTER FOR December 31st & January 1st 2023 MARY MOTHER OF GOD

Mass	Midnight Mass	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Tai Asiata	Ana Maria	Katherine Tanginoa	Tongan Community	Betham Family
Reader 1:	Mike Smith	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Anna Betham		
Reader 2:	Madelene Warren	Chris Mendes	Douglas Gibson		
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Gerry Smith, Maria Seufatu, Jennifer Baptist	Selesitina Levave, Winnie Veikoso	Sagato Matau, Valerie, Xavier Tanginoa		
Collector:	Anthony Couto	Sullivan Family	Anthony Couto		Floey & Mary Louise
Altar Servers:	Salomi & Jazer	Matthew & Selemena	Chana & Hezekia		Betham Family
Music	Sr Ake & Friends	Quiet Mass	Sr Ake & Friends		



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