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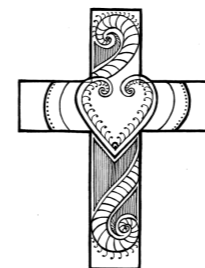
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"If you should fail, be humble, make a resolution to be submissive to God's will and then get up, and carry on"-St. Padre Pio

12 Feb 2023 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings This Week

First: Sirach 15: 15-20
Responsorial Psalm: 119
Second: First Corinthians 2: 6-10
Gospel: Matthew 5: 17-37

Readings Next Week

First: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 17-18
Responsorial Psalm: 103
Second: First Corinthians 3: 16-23
Gospel: Matthew 5: 38-48

Responsorial Psalm 119
Response: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

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

Jesus promised his disciples that he would give them the gift of the Holy Spirit who writes God's law of love and truth on our hearts. The Holy Spirit teaches us God's truth and gives us wisdom and understanding of God's ways. The Spirit helps us in our weakness, strengthens us in temptation, and transforms us, day by day, into the likeness of Jesus Christ, our Merciful Saviour and Humble Lord. There is great blessing and reward for those who obey God's commandments and who encourage others, especially the younger generations, to love, respect, and obey the Lord. Do you trust in God's love and allow his Holy Spirit to fill you with a thirst for holiness and righteousness in every area of your life? Ask the Holy Spirit to fill your heart with a burning desire and reverence for God's life-giving word so that you may grow day by day in the wisdom and knowledge of God's love, truth, and goodness. "Lord Jesus, begin a new work of love within me. Instil in me a greater love and respect for your commandments. Purify my thoughts, desires, and intentions that I may only desire what is pleasing to you and in accord with your will."

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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

Due to the damage and mould growth caused by the previous storm and flood, the church hall will be temporarily closed for health and safety reasons. We apologize for any inconvenience and are working diligently to address these issues. We will keep you updated on the status of the hall and will inform you as soon as it reopens. Thank you for your understanding.

Ash Wednesday is on 22nd February with masses at 9am, 12 noon, and 7:30pm.

Preparation for Holy Week—We are inviting all the Community Leaders to meet on Thursday, 23rd February 2023, 7:30pm at the parish pastoral centre. Please RSVP Sr Ake on 021 2513796.

Holy Cross Parish would like to announce a Lent Reconciliation Day in preparation for Easter .

Date: Wednesday 22nd March 2023

Time: 7pm-8pm

We encourage everyone to save the date and make use of this confession. There will be no Mass.

Sacrament of Baptism for children ages 6 years and below - If you are interested in having your child baptized, it is a requirement for the parents to attend a Baptism Formation Program. The next program will take place on Thursday, 16th February from 7 PM to 8:30 PM in our church. To register, please text "BAPTISM PROGRAM" along with the parents' names to 022 673 2208. For children 7 years and above, please contact the parish office for further information.

Sacrament of Confirmation and Holy Communion for children will be held later this year, around November. Parents and guardians are encouraged to watch for bulletin notices for the opening of applications. We look forward to celebrating this special occasion with the children of our parish.

Offertory: Starting this year, 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.

Preference Card—Preference cards will be signed only by appointment every Tuesday from 11am until 12:30pm. In order to complete a preference enrolment certificate you need to be a parishioner registered with Holy Cross Parish Henderson. You also must present a copy of your child's baptism certificate or in the event the child is not baptized in the Catholic Faith, baptism certificate of the parent/guardian/aunt/uncle or God parent requesting the child's baptism in the Catholic Faith is needed.

Sponsors for parish bulletin—We have a limited number of sponsorship slots available in our parish bulletin, The Brown Robe. The cost for a whole year of sponsorship is \$500. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact Jasmine at 09 8353355 or via email at accounts@hendersoncatholic.org.nz for more information.

Parish Registration Form and Planned Giving—We would like to extend a warm welcome to all new parishioners and encourage you to register with the parish. Registration forms are available in the foyer for your convenience. Keeping accurate records of all parishioners is important for future reference, such as the signing of any necessary documents by the priest. Additionally, if you are interested in making a planned giving donation through envelopes or online, please contact Jasmine from the parish office for more information. Thank you for being a part of our parish community.

Parish Pastoral Council will be held on 16th February 7:30pm at the parish pastoral centre

St Vincent de Paul- Our hardworking volunteers have been helping with food items, breads (from Baker's Delight and Pak-n-save) and toiletries to the flood victims of West Auckland (Henderson and Ranui). If you would like to contribute to this cause and make a difference, please drop off your donations of non-perishable food and toiletries (only) at the SVDP donation box located at the church foyer. Monetary donations also welcome: Acct No: 12-3020-0488780-00. Thank you!

Zumba—Please be informed that there will be no Zumba classes until further notice. The Parish Hall is temporarily unavailable for use due to health and safety concerns. We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your understanding. We will keep you updated on any further developments.

Auckland Diocese Notices are posted in the church foyer.



This weekend we celebrate **World Marriage Day**. This is an opportunity to pray for those whose marriages have broken down, those who are struggling in their relationship and to celebrate with couples who have been happily married for many years. We remember too, those whose spouses have died. As we pray for married life in our communities, we give thanks for the Sacrament of Marriage and for God's everlasting covenant, to be with us always through the tough times.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday	Genesis 4: 1-15,25	Ps 50 ;	Mark 8: 11-13
Tuesday	Genesis 6: 5-8; 7: 1-5, 10	Ps 29;	Mark 8: 14-21
Wednesday	Genesis 8: 6-13, 20-22	Ps 116;	Mark 8: 22-26
Thursday	Genesis 9: 1-13	Ps 102	Mark 8: 27-33
Friday	Genesis 11: 1-9	Ps 33:	Mark 8: 34 - 9:1
Saturday	Hebrews 11: 1-7	Ps 145:	Mark 9: 2-13

ROSTER FOR 11th & 12th February 2023 6th Sunday Ordinary Time

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Margie D'Rozario	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Madelene Warren	Samoan Community	Sr Akenese Nun Toon
Reader 1:	Maria de Hoog	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Sandra Fonseca		Vijaya Nicholas
Reader 2:	Loretta Ahio	Anil Baptist	Mariafe Lopez		Mary Louise M.
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Maria Alimagno Renante Alimagno Jessica D'Silva	Jennifer Baptist Selesitina Levave	Jasmine Joseph Prem Joseph Piet Bakker		Maria Seafatu Maria Faleusu Sagato Matau
Collector:	Phyllis Godwyn	Sullivan Family	Anthony Couto		Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Stephanie	Matthew & Jivanni	Chana & Hezekia		Neil Fernandes
Music Ministry:	Bernadette	Quiet Mass	Se Ake & friends	Children's Liturgy Missionaries of Charity Sisters	Dennis & Arthy

ROSTER FOR 18th & 19th February 2023 7th Sunday Ordinary Time

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Sr Ake Nun Toon		Vicky Coakley	Miriam Betham	Katherine Tanginoa
Reader 1:	Ingrid D'Silva	Letisia Levave	Ann McGrath	Sandy Mary	Vijaya Nicholas
Reader 2:	Michele de Melo	Chris Mendes	Mike Smith	Morning Star Finau	Mary Louise Membrere
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Dominica Cowan Lyndon Cowan Lloyd de Melo	Selesitina Levave Winnie Veikoso	Paul Coakley Clare Connelly Sherry Smith	Lena San Gabriel Gerry San Gabriel Josephine Kim	Ann Mckeown Mike Mckeown Maria Seufatu
Collector:	Phyllis Godwyn	Sullivan Family	Anthony Couto	Celino O./Michael E.	Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers	Stephanie & Ryan	Matthew & Jivanni	Levi & Caroline	Timothy Eade	
Music Ministry:	Everlyn Pereira	Quiet Mass	Lesatele Family	Couples for Christ	Legion of Mary
		Cleaning Couples for Christ Redfern Family Sagote Family	Flowers Seufatu Family	Children's Liturgy Dennis & Arthy	

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Mass Collection

For last week

1st Collection \$ 1,933.00
2nd Collection \$ 1,619.00
Building Fund Envelope \$ 115.00
Direct Credits \$ 3,330.00

Monthly parish Receipts and Disbursements Report is posted regularly on the church foyer board.

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Parish WhatsApp Group

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