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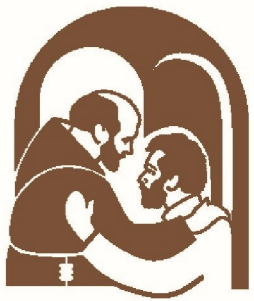
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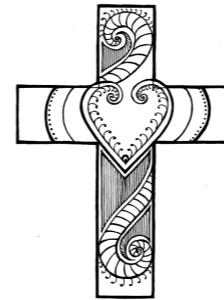
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**19 March 2023 – Fourth Sunday of Lent**



**Readings This Week**

First: **First Samuel 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13**  
Responsorial Psalm: **23**  
Second: **Ephesians 5: 8-14**  
Gospel: **John 9: 1-41**

**Readings Next Week**

First: **Ezekiel 37: 12-14**  
Responsorial Psalm: **130**  
Second: **Romans 8: 8-11**  
Gospel: **John 11: 1-45**

**Responsorial Psalm 23**

Response: **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

**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**

What is impossible to men and women is possible to God and those who put their faith and trust in God. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit the Lord transforms us and makes us like himself. We are a new creation in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17) because "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). God gives us the grace to love as he loves, to forgive as he forgives, to think as he thinks, and to act as he acts.

The Lord loves justice and goodness and he hates every form of wickedness and sin. He wants to set us free from our unruly desires and sinful habits, so that we can choose to live each day in the peace, joy, and righteousness of his Holy Spirit (Romans 14: 17). To renounce sin is to turn away from what is harmful and destructive for our minds and hearts, and our very lives. As his followers we must love and respect his commandments and hate every form of sin. Do you love and revere the commands of the Lord?

**CAPUCHIN FRIARS**

Fr. Sebastian Fernandes OFM Cap.—Parish Priest  
Fr. Daniel Sitanggang OFM Cap—Assistant Priest

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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**

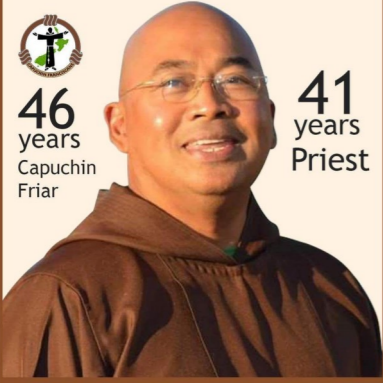
Last Friday of the month at 10am

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET NOVENA & ROSARY**

Every 4th Sunday of the month 2pm-3pm



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**Fr. Mario Guevarra Dorado, OFM Cap**  
July 29, 1954 - March 14, 2023

Simple Profession: 18 May 1976  
Ordination to the Priesthood: 4 April 1981  
Provincial Delegation of the Immaculate Conception of New Zealand

**Requiescat in Pace**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It is with deep sadness that we inform you of the passing of our beloved Fr. Mario Dorado OFM Cap, a cherished member of our congregation. We would also like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude to all those who helped and assisted Fr. Mario during his time in the hospital and hospice, as well as those who offered their support in other ways. Your kindness, dedication, and support for Fr. Mario will always be remembered and appreciated.

We extend an invitation to you to attend the Requiem Masses in honour of Fr. Mario that will be held at several parishes on the following dates and times:

Saturday, March 18th, 11 am at Holy Cross Parish in Henderson  
 Sunday, March 19th, 6 pm at St. Dominic's Catholic Church in Blockhouse Bay  
 Monday, March 20th, 11 am at Our Lady of Lourdes in Glen Eden  
 Friday, March 24th, 7 pm at St. Benedict's  
 Saturday, March 25th, 3 pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral

We encourage our community to come together and offer support and prayers for Fr. Mario's family, Capuchin brothers, and loved ones during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Fr. Sebastian

**HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES**

**Stations of the Cross**— Every Tuesday through Friday during Lent, there will be a Stations of the Cross held at **8:30am** prior to the morning Mass.

**Sacrament of the Sick**—Tuesday the 21st March at 11am, followed by a shared lunch. All are Welcome.

**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. Kindly be informed that there will be no Mass held on this evening.

**Chrism Mass**- Please be informed that there will be a Chrism Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Monday, April 3rd, starting at 7:30 PM. This special Mass is traditionally celebrated during Holy Week, and it involves the blessing of oils used in sacraments throughout the year. All are welcome to attend this sacred ceremony.

**Samoan Community**— Calling out all our Holy Cross Parish Youth to help be a part of our Stations of the Cross role play. Please meet at church—Tuesday 21st March, 6pm-8pm.

**The Society of St Vincent de Paul Henderson** would like to thank you for your ongoing support & prayers. Members will be outside the church accepting donations after all masses this weekend

**Holy Cross Men's Fellowship** will have their monthly meeting on Thursday , 23rd March 7pm in the parish meeting room. All men of the parish are welcome to attend. For further details please contact George Schuster on 02102080477 or Anil Baptist on 0223649306.

**Holy Cross Caring Community** will be selling Easter raffle tickets from until 2nd April outside the church after mass. Each ticket will cost \$2, or three tickets can be purchased for \$5. Please note that payment will be accepted in cash only. Thank you.

**Planned Giving Envelopes and Direct Debit Program**—If you are currently enrolled in our Planned Giving program, we would like to inform you that envelopes will be available for pick up in the foyer this week. If you are interested in signing up for direct debit or would like more information on the Planned Giving program, please contact Jasmine at the parish office. We appreciate your continued support and generosity towards our church, which helps us to carry out our mission and serve the community. Thank you.

**Auckland Diocese Notices** are posted in the church foyer.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Every Thursday**  
9:30am after Morning Mass



Join us for silent Eucharistic Adoration  
every Thursday 9:30am - 12noon  
**Holy Cross Parish Henderson**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Mon</b>	I Sam 7: 4-5a, 12-14a, 16	Ps 89 ;	Matt 1: 16, 18-21, 24	or Luke 2: 41-51a
<b>Tuesday</b>	Ezekiel 47: 1-9, 12	Ps 46;	John 5: 1-16	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Isaiah 49: 8-15	Ps 145;	John 5: 17-30	
<b>Thursday</b>	Exodus 32: 7-14	Ps 106;	John 5: 31-47	
<b>Friday</b>	Wisdom 2: 1a, 12-22	Ps 34;	John 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30	
<b>Saturday</b>	Isaiah 7: 10-14; 8: 10	Ps 40:	Luke 1: 26-38	

**PALM SUNDAY**

We would like to remind you that Palm Sunday is on 2nd April. As usual, we will have some palms available for distribution, but **due to limited supply, we encourage everyone to bring their own palms if possible. Thank you.**

**ROSTER FOR 18th & 19th March 2023, 4th Sunday of Lent**

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
<b>Leader :</b>	Katherine Tanginoa	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Vui Tai Asiata	Couples fort Christ	Fijian Community
<b>Reader 1:</b>	Ingrid D'Silva	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Karen Goldwyn		
<b>Reader 2:</b>	Michele de Melo	Leticia Levave	Mike Smith		
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	Jessika D'Silva Lloyd de Melo Dominica Cowan	Selesitina Levave Geraldine Sequera	Lucy Goldwyn Sherry Smith Adolf Goldwyn		
<b>Collector:</b>	Phyllis Godwyn	Sullivan Famly	Anthony/Men's Fellowship		
<b>Altar Servers:</b>		Matthew & Jiavani	Levi & Caroline		
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Evelyn Pereira	Quiet Mass	Lesatele Family		
		<b>Cleaning</b> Couples for Christ Redfern Family Sagote Family	<b>Flowers</b> No flowers during Lent	<b>Children's Liturgy</b> Dennis & Arthy	

**ROSTER FOR 25th & 26th March 2023, 5th Sunday of Lent**

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
<b>Leader :</b>	Eric Cueva	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Paul Aalbers	Filipino Community	Vui Tai Asiata
<b>Reader 1:</b>	Cel Padilla	Jean Soniega	Sandra Fonseca		Mary Louise
<b>Reader 2:</b>	Gafatasi Endermann	Savieta Lea	Delores Lesatele		Pauline Conrad
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	Angel Cueva Joisce Cueva Grace Cueva	Winnie Veikoso Geraldine Saquera Jean Soniega	Jasmine Prem Joseph Prem Colleen Aalbers		Maria Seufatu Maria Vaetupu
<b>Collector:</b>	Phyllis Godwin	Sullivan Family	Anthony/Men's Fellowship		Floey & Mary Louise
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Stephanie & Sephan	Matthew & Jiavani	Chana & Hezekia	Neil Fernandes	
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Indian Group	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Dennis & Arthy	
		<b>Cleaning</b> Fijian Community St Vincent de Paul Tongan Community	<b>Flowers</b> No flowers during Lent	<b>Children's Liturgy</b> Missionaries of Charity Sisters	

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**Mass Collection**  
For last week

1st Collection \$ 1,757.50  
 2nd Collection \$ 1,676.20  
 Building Fund Envelope \$ 265.00  
 Direct Credits \$ 2,950.00

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

Thank you for your kind support and generosity.

**Parish WhatsApp Group**

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