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**Sun, Apr 16—Divine Mercy Sunday**

**Readings This Week**  
First: Acts 2: 42-47  
Responsorial Psalm: 118  
Second: First Peter 1: 3-9  
Gospel: John 20: 19-31

**Third Sunday of Easter**  
First: Acts 2: 14, 22-33  
Responsorial Psalm: 16  
Second: First Peter 1: 17-21  
Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

**Responsorial Psalm 118**  
Response: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his love is everlasting.

**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**  
When Thomas finally had the courage to rejoin the other apostles, the Lord Jesus made his presence known to him and reassured him that he had indeed overcome death and risen again. When Thomas recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God! Through the gift of faith we, too, proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord and our God. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection. Do you believe in the good news of the Gospel and in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring you new life, hope, and joy?  
"Lord Jesus Christ, through your victory over sin and death you have overcome all the powers of sin and darkness. Help me to draw near to you and to trust in your life-giving word. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and strengthen my faith in your promises and my hope in the power of your resurrection."

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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



**3 O'CLOCK PRAYER TO THE DIVINE MERCY**

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world.

O Fountain of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I trust in You. (3 times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy on us and on the whole world. (3 times)

**HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES**

**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, 20th April from 7pm to 8:30pm 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 the Sick** will be held on Tuesday 18th April at 11am followed by a luncheon. All Welcome.

**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.

**Parish Registration Form**—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. Thank you for being a part of our parish community.

**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. Please feel free to collect them. We also want to remind everyone that we offer the convenience of a direct debit program for those who prefer to make regular contributions electronically. 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.

**Tax Receipts**—We are pleased to inform you that we are currently working on the tax donation receipts for 2023. Kindly note that the receipts will be distributed by the end of the month. Thank you for your patience and support.

**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.

**Holy Cross Caring Community** thank everyone who supported their Easter Raffle. The winners were 1st Prize Sina; 2nd Prize Ella; 3rd Prize Kathy.

**SVDP**—A reminder that St Vincent de Paul members will be outside the church accepting donations after all masses this weekend. Bank transfers can be made to St Vincent de Paul Holy Cross: 12-3020-0488780-00. Please add your full name as reference. Tax receipts will be issued at the end of the year.

**Holy Cross Charismatic Fellowship** will be having their monthly meeting on Monday the 24th of April at 7pm in the parish meeting room. We will be beginning a reflection on the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians. All parishioners are welcome. Please bring along your Bible. For further information please contact Anil Baptist on 0223649306.



**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Monday</b>	Acts 4: 23-31 ;	Ps 02	John 3: 1-8
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 4: 32-37 ;	Ps 93;	John 3: 7b-15
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 5: 17-26 ;	Ps 34;	John 3: 16-21
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 5: 27-33 ;	Ps 34;	John 3: 31-36
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 5: 34-42 ;	Ps 27:	John 6: 1-15
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 6: 1-7	Ps 33:	John 6: 16-21

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to all choirs, parish communities, youth groups and cleaning volunteers who helped make our Holy Week celebration a success. Your selfless service and dedication made a difference in our parish. May God bless you always.

Fr. Sebastian.

ROSTER FOR 15 & 16 April 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER & DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY					
Mass	Vigil Mass	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	6pm Mass
<b>Leader :</b>	Sr Akenese N Toon	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Madelene Warren	Margie D'Rozario	Catherine Tanginoa
<b>Reader 1:</b>	Maria de Hoog	Mary Turnwald	Maria Fe	Yollando D'raozario	Mary Louise
<b>Reader 2:</b>	Gafatasi Endermann	Frances Ah Ken	Rebecca James	Pauline Leonardo	Sue Ivceovich
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	Lloyd de Melo Jessica D'Silva Lyndon Cowan	Francis Ah Ken Winnie Veikoso	Piet Bakker Joseph Prem Jasmine Prem	Malia Seufatu Sina Patolo Michael Eade	Sagato Matau Valarie Pua Xavier Tanginoa
<b>Collector:</b>	Phyllis Godwin	Jean Soniega	Anthony/Men's Fellowship	Michael Eade	Floey Membrere
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Salomi & Jazer	Matthew & Jivanni	Hezekia & Chana	Timothy Eade	Neil Fernandes
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Evelyn Pereira	Quiet Mass	Lesatele Family	Sr Ake & Friends	Legion of Mary
		Cleaning Couples for Christ Redfern Family Sagote Family	Flowers Divine Mercy Fijian community	Children's Liturgy Dennis & Arthy	
ROSTER FOR 22 & 23 April 2023 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER					
Mass	Vigil Mass	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
<b>Leader :</b>	Margie D'Rozario	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Janice Borsos	Filipino Community	Vilava Nicholas
<b>Reader 1:</b>	Michele de Melo	Chris Mendes	Katie Anne		Mary Louise
<b>Reader 2:</b>	Ingrid D'Silva	Savieti Lea	Anil Baptist		Sue Ivceovich
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	Jessica D'Silva Maria Allimagno Renante Allimagno	Selesitina Levave Vinnie Veikoso	Frank Borsos Lucy Goldwyn Adolf Goldwyn		Ann Mckeown Michael Mckeown Sagato Matau
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<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Indian Group	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Children's Liturgy Missionaries of Charity Sisters	Dennis & Arthy
		Cleaning Fijian Community Filipino Community Tongan Community	Flowers Filipino Community		

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For last week

1st Collection - \$ 1,810.50 (Easter collection)

Easter Collection—\$ 2,700.00

2nd Collection - \$ 2,360.80

Building Fund Env - \$ 185.00

Direct Credits - \$ 2,870.00

Good Friday - \$ 2,403.50 ( For Holy Places)

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**

For more information and to keep updated on our Parish activities join our Whatsapp group by scanning the barcode. and press join.

