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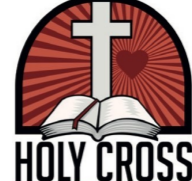
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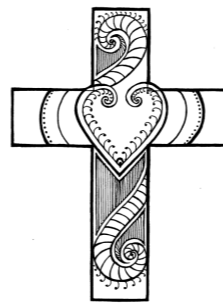
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30 July 2023 — Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Readings This Week**

First: **First Kings 3: 5, 7-12**  
Psalm: **Psalms 119**  
Second: **Romans 8: 28-30**  
Gospel: **Matthew 13: 44-52**

**Readings Next Week**

First: **Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14**  
Psalm: **Psalms 97**  
Second: **Second Peter 1: 16-19**  
Gospel: **Matthew 17: 1-9**

**Responsorial Psalm Psalms 119**  
Response: **Lord, I love your commands.**

**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 Reflections**

What can a story of a dragnet and a great catch of fish tell us about God's kingdom? The two most common ways of fishing in Jesus' time was with a casting-net (or hand-net) which was thrown from the shore and the drag-net or trawl which was let down or cast into the waters from a boat. What is Jesus' point here? Just as a drag-net catches every kind of fish in the sea, so the church acts as God's instrument for gathering in all who will come. Just as the drag-net does not or cannot discriminate, so the church does not discriminate between the good and the bad, the useless and the useful. God's kingdom is open to all who will accept and believe. But there will come a time of separation, at the close of the age, when the angels will send the good and the bad to their respective destinations. Our task is to gather in all who will come. God, in the end, will give the good (those who accept and follow Christ) and the bad (those who refuse Christ) the reward they deserve. God offers the treasure of his kingdom to all who believe in Christ. Do you hunger for God and for his kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy?

**CAPUCHIN FRIARS**

Fr. Sebastian Fernandes OFM Cap.—Parish Priest  
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**MASS TIMES**

Tuesday & Thursday - 9am  
Wednesday - 9am  
- Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help at 7:10pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm  
Friday - 9am  
- First Friday of the month: Blessed Adoration at 6:30pm followed by Holy Mass 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 LITURGY CLASS**  
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

**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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### Change of Parish Bank Account Numbers

Dear Parishioners,

Our bank account numbers have been changed to comply with our Diocese requirements and the latest banking regulations along with all Parishes in the Auckland Diocese. If you currently have donations automatic payments set up, **YOU DO NOT NEED** to make any changes to your account details.

However, if you have set up the parish as your payee, please ensure that you update your payee record with the new bank account number before 31st July 2023. Any queries, please don't hesitate to contact Jasmine (Parish Account Administrator).

Bank Name: BNZ

Account Number	Account Name
02-0108-0707323-000	Henderson Parish Account
02-0108-0707323-003	Henderson Church Rebuild Account

**Parish Pastoral Council** - Congratulations to our newly elected Parish Pastoral Council officers. May the Holy Spirit guide them and the Lord strengthen them during their term of office. The newly elected officers are:

Chairperson: Tavale Tofaeono Tanuvasa

Vice Chairperson: Madelene Warren

Secretary: Tai Asiata

**First Friday Mass** - From Friday 4th August 2023, Blessed Adoration will begin at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7.30pm.

**Children's Mass**—We would like to extend a special invitation to all guardians & parents with children to attend our monthly Children's Mass on Saturday, 5th August at 6pm. This Mass is specifically tailored for the children, and we encourage you to bring your little ones along.

**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, 17th August 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.**

**Holy Cross Parish RCIA program** - For those that are interested in joining the RCIA program, please attend a meeting on Thursday 3rd August at 7pm. Kindly call the office for registration.

**Secular Franciscan Order** - Our Lady Help of Christians Fraternity, West Auckland will have their monthly meeting on Sunday the 13th of August at 2.30pm in the parish meeting room. If you would like to know more about our Order you are most welcome to come and meet us. For further details, please contact Jan Cherrington on 0211875176 or email [jancherrington@gmail.com](mailto:jancherrington@gmail.com)

**Planned Giving Envelopes** - A gentle reminder for all those who have not picked up their planned giving envelopes, can you please contact the Parish office to arrange a time for these to be collected.

**Offertory**—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](mailto:akeholycross@gmail.com)

**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.

**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.



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### Mass Collection

For last week

1st Collection \$ 1711.50  
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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.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

<b>Monday</b>	Exodus 32: 15-24, 30-34;	Ps 106;	Matthew 13: 31-35
<b>Tuesday</b>	Exodus 33: 7-11; 34: 5b-9, 28 ;	Ps 103;	Matthew 13: 36-43
<b>Wednesday</b>	Exodus 34: 29-35 ;	Ps: 99;	Matthew 13: 44-46
<b>Thursday</b>	Exodus 40: 16-21, 34-38 ;	Ps: 84;	Matthew 13: 47-53
<b>Friday</b>	Leviticus 23: 1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37	Ps 81:	Matthew 13: 54-58
<b>Saturday</b>	Leviticus 25: 1, 8-17 ;	Ps 67:	Matthew 14: 1-12

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

There will be a special blessing for all who have celebrated birthdays and wedding anniversaries during the month at the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses every last weekend of the month.

### ROSTER FOR 29th & 30th JULY 2023 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
<b>Leader :</b>	Catherine Tanginoa	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Holy Cross School Mass	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Miriama Betham
<b>Reader 1:</b>	Chris Mendes	Anil Baptist		Mariafe Lobes	Kimberley Suan
<b>Reader 2:</b>	Gavin Colaco	Saviati Lea		Alvin Soniega	Janna Villaver
<b>Ministers of</b>	Alice Sue	Selesitina Levave		Sulieti Lesatele	Maria Faleusu
<b>Communion</b>	Timothy Sue	Jennifer Baptist		Malia Seufatu	Emmett Kennedy
	Jessica D'Silva			Sina Patolo	Matalena Sagote
<b>Collector:</b>	Phyllis Godwin	Jean Soniega	Men's Fellowship	Willie SVDP	Floey & Mary Louise
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Stephanie & Ryan	Jivanni & Matthew	Caroline & Levi	Suzaine & Jordan	Salomi & Frazer
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Sr Ake & Choir	Quiet Mass	Evelyn Pereira	Sr Ake & Choir	Legion of Mary
<b>Offertory:</b>					
		<b>Cleaning</b> Tongan Community	<b>Flowers</b> Tongan Community	<b>Children's Liturgy</b> Arthy & Dennis	

### ROSTER FOR 5th & 6th AUGUST 2023 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
<b>Leader :</b>	child	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Sr Ake Nun Toon	Tongan Community	Betham Family
<b>Reader 1:</b>	child	Jean Soniega	Maria Kumitau		
<b>Reader 2:</b>	child	Anil Baptist	Akesa Paea		
<b>Ministers of</b>	Angel Cueva	Ann Mckeown	Sina Patolo		
<b>Communion</b>	Grace Cueva	Michael Mckeown	Bernadette B-Bell		
	Joisie Cueva		Teresa Malone		
<b>Collector:</b>	Phyllis & Mark	Jean Soniega	Men's fellowship		Floey & Mary Louise
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Stephanie & Ryan		Levi & Caroline	Suzaine & Jordan	Neil Fernandes
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Arthy & Denis	Quiet Mass	Couples for Christ	Tongan Community	Betham Family
<b>Offertory:</b>					
		<b>Cleaning</b> Secular Franciscans Men's Fellowship Legion of Mary	<b>Flowers</b> Secular Franciscans Men's Fellowship Legion of Mary	<b>Children's Liturgy</b> Denis & Arthy	