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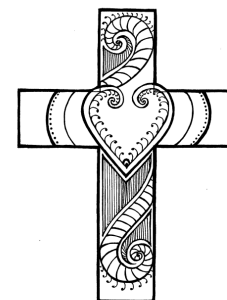


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25 June 2023 — Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings This Week

First: **Jeremiah 20: 10-13**
Psalm: **Psalms 69**
Second: **Romans 5: 12-15**
Gospel: **Matthew 10: 26-33**

Readings Next Week

First: **Second Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16a**
Psalm: **Psalms 89**
Second: **Romans 6: 3-4, 8-11**
Gospel: **Matthew 10: 37-42**

Responsorial Psalm **Psalms 69**
Response: **Lord, in your great love, answer me.**

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

When Jesus proclaimed the kingdom of God he met opposition and hostility from those who refused to believe in him. He tells his disciples that they must expect the same treatment if they are to live and to proclaim the reign of God. There is both a warning and a privilege in his statement. Just as Jesus had to carry his cross, so the disciples must carry their cross and not try to evade it. To suffer for the faith is to share in the work of Christ. As one hymn states: Lift high the Cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod. The Holy Spirit gives us power and grace to live as disciples of Jesus Christ. Do you trust in God's grace to carry your cross for Jesus' sake? "Lord Jesus, it is my joy and privilege to be your disciple. Give me strength and courage to bear any hardship and suffering which may come my way in your service. May I witness to others the new life, joy and victory you have won for us through your cross and resurrection."

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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: Rosary at 6.45pm followed by Adoration and 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

Welcome back Fr Sebastian, we are thankful for your safe return. A very Happy Birthday from all of us, and may you be blessed abundantly with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

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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, 1st July 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, 20th July 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.

The **Sacramental Programme** will be starting on the 20th of August. Please kindly collect the forms from the Parish office. The forms must be filled out and returned no later than the end of July. No enrolments are allowed after the deadline. For more details and if you have any questions, please see Sr Ake.

Parish Pastoral Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, 29th June, 7:30pm at the parish pastoral centre.

Holy Cross Charismatic fellowship will have their monthly meeting on Monday the 26th June at 7pm in the parish meeting room. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please bring a Bible with you. For details, please contact Anil Baptist on 0223649306.

Zumba Classes will be starting on Monday 26th June from 6pm to 7pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church hall in Glen Eden. This will continue until the renovation of our hall is completed. Please feel free to join and support these classes.

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass on Friday 7th July 7:00pm at St Mary's Church, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by general blessing of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

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.

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.

Parking—A reminder to all parishioners, **no parking on the grass and pavements**, our volunteers work diligently with the maintenance of our church grounds.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday	Genesis 12: 1-9;	Ps 33;	Matthew 7: 1-5
Tuesday	Genesis 13: 2, 5-18 ;	Ps 15;	Matthew 7: 6, 12-14
Wednesday	Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18 ;	Ps: 105;	Matthew 7: 15-20
Thursday	Acts 12: 1-11 ;	Ps 34;	Matthew 16: 13-19
Friday	Genesis 17: 1, 9-10, 15-22 ;	Ps 128;	Matthew 8: 1-4
Saturday	Genesis 18: 1-15 ;	Luke 1:	Matthew 8: 5-17

**Everyone who acknowledges me before others
 I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.
 But whoever denies me before others,
 I will deny before my heavenly Father.
 Matthew 10:32**

ROSTER FOR 24th AND 25th JUNE 2023 12th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME WK 4

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Margie D'Rozario	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Sr Ake Nun Toon	Filipino Community	Vijaya Nicholas
Reader 1:	Ingrid D.Silva	Savieti Lea	Maria Kumitau		Rebecca James
Reader 2:	Stephanie Alimagno	Anil Baptist	Sina Patolo		Mary Louise
Ministers of	Maria Alimagno	Jennifer Baptist	Malia Seufatu		Ann Mckeown
Communion	Renante Alimagno	Geraldine Sequera	Sulieti Lesatele		Mike Mckeown
	Jessica D'Silva		Sione Vakauta		Maria Vaetupu
Collector:	Phyllis Godwin	Jean Soniega	Anthony/Men's Fellowship		Flocy & Mary Louise
Altar Servers:	Shalomi & Jazer	Jivanni & Matthew	Chana & Hezekia		Neil Fernandez
Music Ministry:	Indian Community	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family		Arthy & Denis
Offertory:			Nun Toon Family		
		Cleaning Fiji Community(Friday) Filipino Community Tongan Community	Flowers Filipino Community	Children's Liturgy Missionaries of Charity Sisters	

ROSTER FOR 1st & 2nd JULY 2023 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	child	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Madalene Warren	Tongan Community	Betham Family
Reader 1:	child	Frances Ah Ken	Douglas Gibson		
Reader 2:	child	Mary Turnwald	Sandra Forseca		
Ministers of	Jessica D'Silva	Francis Ah Ken	Malia Seufatu		
Communion	Joselito Padilla	Winnie Veikoso	Colleen Aalbers		
	Miguel Padilla		Jane Thomsen		
Collector:	Phyllis Godwin	Jean Soniega	Anthony/Men's Fellowship		
Altar Servers:	Ryan Zhou & Stephanie	Jivanni & Matthew	Levi & Caroline		
Music Ministry:	Denis & Arthy	Quiet Mass	Couples for Christ		
Offertory:			Nun Toon Family		
		Cleaning Secular Franciscans Men's Fellowship Legion of Mary	Flowers Secular Franciscans Men's Fellowship Legion of Mary	Children's Liturgy Denis & Arthy	