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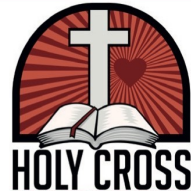
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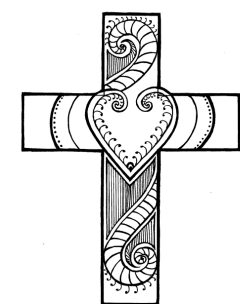
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"If you should fail, be humble, make a resolution to be submissive to God's will and then get up, and carry on"-St. Padre Pio

15 Oct 2023 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings This Week

First: **Isaiah 25: 6-10a**
Psalm: **Psalms 23**
Second: **Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20**
Gospel: **Matthew 22: 1-14**

Readings Next Week

First: **Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6**
Psalm: **Psalms 96**
Second: **First Thessalonians 1: 1-5b**
Gospel: **Matthew 22: 15-21**

Responsorial Psalm Psalms 23
Response: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

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

Dieterich Bonhoeffer, a Lutheran pastor and theologian in Germany who died for his faith under Hitler's Nazi rule, contrasted "cheap grace" and "costly grace".

"Cheap grace is the grace we bestow on ourselves... the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance... grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate... Costly grace is the gospel which must be sought again and again, the gift which must be asked for, the door at which a man must knock. Such grace is costly because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs a man his life, and it is grace because it gives a man the only true life."

God invites each of us as his friends to his heavenly banquet that we may celebrate with him and share in his joy. Are you ready to feast at the Lord's banquet table?

"Lord Jesus, may I always know the joy of living in your presence and grow in the hope of seeing you face to face in your everlasting kingdom."

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday & Thursday - 9am
Wednesday Morning - 9am
Wednesday Evening Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help at 7:10pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm
Friday Morning - 9 am
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

CARING COMMUNITY
Drop-in every Tuesday after 9am Mass

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 11am followed by a shared lunch

20 DECADE ROSARY
Wednesday -After 9am Mass

RECONCILIATION
Wednesday - 6:45pm to 7:15pm
Also by appointment

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Thursday- After 9am Mass until 12pm

MEDITATION
Last Friday of the month at 10am

BAPTISM SCHEDULE
Saturday 10:30am—12:30pm

HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S MASS
Every First Saturday of the Month at 6pm

HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S LITURGY CLASS
Every Sunday 10:30am -11:30am

FAITH SHARING
Every 4th Sunday of the month at 11.45am

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET NOVENA & ROSARY
Every 4th Sunday of the month 2pm-3pm

Faith Sharing Sunday – In order to mobilize our Parish community around Faith Sharing, we have started Faith Sharing Sundays, where ordinary people in their everyday lives, come together to share their faith in simple ways.

Our next session will be held on Sunday 22nd October at 11.45am, after the 10.30am Mass. The session will commence with a Talk on the Topic of the day followed by Faith sharing and a shared lunch.

For our session this month :

Speaker: Fr. Ephrem Tigga OFM Cap.

Topic : THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

All are welcome!

For further details please contact the Parish Office on 09 835 3355

(A Secular Franciscan Order Initiative)

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.

The St Vincent de Paul Society will also be selling Christmas cards from this weekend until sold out, priced at \$5 for a pack of 5. The cards will also be available at the Parish Office.

Sacrament of the Sick will be held on Tuesday 17th October at 11am followed by a shared luncheon. All welcome.

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, 19th October 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.

All Souls Day-If you would like to offer names of departed souls for prayers, please fill out their names in the forms which can be found in the foyer and place them in the box provided. Holy Mass will be offered for the departed souls on All Souls Day Thursday 2nd November, Mass times are 9am and 7pm.

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 Godparent 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

Auckland Diocese Notices are posted in the foyer.

The Columban Art Calendars are now available for purchase from the Parish Office at \$12 each. The Parish Office is also selling Mass and Psalm books for \$13 each.



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Mass Collection
 For last week
 1st Collection \$ 1445.00
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 Monthly parish Receipts and Disbursements Report is posted regularly on the church foyer board.
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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

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| Monday | Romans 1: 1-7; | Ps 98; | Luke 11: 29-32 |
| Tuesday | Romans 1: 16-25; | Ps 19; | Luke 11: 37-41 |
| Wednesday | 2 Timothy 4: 10-17b; | Ps 145 | Luke 10: 1-9 |
| Thursday | Romans 3: 21-30 ; | Ps: 130; | Luke 11: 47-54 |
| Friday | Romans 4: 1-8; | Ps 33; | Luke 12: 1-7 |
| Saturday | Romans 4: 13, 16-18 : | Ps 105 | Luke 12: 8-12 |

“May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call”
 cf Eph 1:17-18

ROSTER FOR 14th OCTOBER & 15th OCTOBER 2023 TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

| Mass | Vigil Sat 6pm | Sun 7am | Sun 9 am | Sun 10:30am | Sun 6pm |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Leader | Sister Ake Nun Toon | Lydia Ah Kuoi | Tai Asiata | Ana Maria Ah Kuoi | Catherine Tanginoa |
| Reader 1: | Secular Franciscan Order | Mary Turnwald | Ann McGrath | Lose Veatupu | Kiara M Monteiro |
| Reader 2: | | Frances Ah Ken | Anil Baptist | Anisha Dias | Danielle Monterio |
| Ministers of Eucharist | | Francis Ah Ken | Adolf Goldwyn | Malia Seufatu | Sagato Matau |
| | | Geraldine Sequera | Lucy Goldwyn | Sina Patolo | Malia Faleusu |
| | | | Piet Bakker | Loreto Lacadin | Malia Seufatu |
| Collector: | Mark & Phyllis | Jean Soniega | Men's Fellowship | Willie/Phyllis | Flocy & Mary L |
| Altar Servers: | Stephanie & Zephan | | Caroline and Levi | Suzaine & Jordan | Neil & Feeba |
| Music Ministry: | Secular Franciscan Order | Quiet Mass | Lesatele Family | Sr Ake & Choir | Legion of Mary |
| Offertory: | Secular Franciscan Order | | | | |
| | | Cleaning Ahio & Veatupu Family Siemsen Family | Flowers Samoan Community | Children's Liturgy Denis & Arthy | |

ROSTER FOR 21st OCTOBER & 22nd OCTOBER 2023 TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

| Mass | Vigil Sat 6pm | Sun 7am | Sun 9 am | Sun 10:30am | Sun 6pm |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Leader | Margie D'Rozario | Ana Maria Ah Kuoi | Vicky Coakley | Filipino Community | Catherine Tanginoa |
| Reader 1: | Stephanie Alimagno | Jean Soniega | Cheryl Sinclair | | Gavin Colaco |
| Reader 2: | Gafatasi Endemann | Anita Gupta | Yollanda D'Rozario | | Maria de Hoog |
| Ministers of Communion | Maria Alimagno | Selesitina Levave | Paul Coakley | | Malia Faleusu |
| | Jessica D'Silva | Jennifer Baptist | Pearl Judd | Malia Seufatu | |
| | Renante Alimagno | | Jane Thomsen | Malia Vaetupu | |
| Collector: | Mark & Phyllis | Jean Soniega | Men's Fellowship | | Flocy & M Louise |
| Altar Servers: | Salomi & Jazer | | Levi Smith & Carol | Suzaine & Jordan | Neil Fernandez |
| Music Ministry: | Indian Group | Quiet Mass | Vakauta Family | Filipino Community | Sr Ake & Choir |
| Offertory: | | | | Filipino Community | |
| | | Cleaning Couples for Christ Redfern Family Sagote Family | Flowers Filipino Community | Children's Liturgy Denis & Arthy | |