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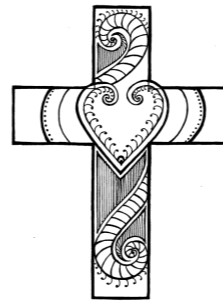
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24 Sept 2023 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings This Week

First: **Isaiah 55: 6-9**
Psalm: **Psalms 145**
Second: **Philippians 1: 20c-24, 27a**
Gospel: **Matthew 20: 1-16a**

Readings Next Week

First: **Ezekiel 18: 25-28**
Psalm: **Psalms 25**
Second: **Philippians 2: 1-11**
Gospel: **Matthew 21: 28-32**

Responsorial Psalm Psalms 145
Response: **The Lord is near to all who call upon him.**

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

Though each started to work in the vineyard at a different hour, at the end of the day they all received the same pay. The workers who worked longer hours were upset that those who worked only one hour received the same pay they did.

The general idea of the parable is that everyone comes to the vineyard (faith) at different points in their lives. Some people are lifelong disciples of Jesus, and some people convert only toward the end of their lives. In the kingdom of God, both groups are treated the same. By human standards, we perhaps might view this as unjust. Yet Jesus points out that the reward for their long work (heaven) is fair, and the only reason that others receive this same reward is because of the generosity of the owner of the vineyard (God). It is his (God's) to do with as he pleases. So long as we have not been treated unjustly, how could we reasonably complain that God is generous to others?

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Fr. Sebastian Fernandes OFM Cap.—Parish Priest
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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 24th September 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. Daniel Sitanggang OFM Cap.

Topic : THE CREED

All are welcome!

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

(A Secular Franciscan Order Initiative)

Holy Cross Charismatic Fellowship will have their monthly meeting on Monday the 25th of September at 7pm in the parish meeting room. We will be reflecting on the book of Ephesians chapter 5. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please bring your Bible along. For further information please contact Anil Baptist on 0223649306.

Holy Cross Men's Fellowship will have their monthly meeting on Thursday the 28th of September at 7pm in the parish meeting room. All men of the parish are welcome to attend. For further details please contact Anil Baptist on 0223649306.

Celebration of the Transitus of St. Francis of Assisi will be held on Tuesday 3rd of October at 7pm at Holy Cross Church Henderson. All are welcome to share with our Franciscan Community Friars and Seculars.

The Sacramental Program of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation-Please take note that the final class for First Holy Communion is this Sunday 24th September. The classes for Confirmation will resume from Sunday 15th of October at 9am.

Parking-Kind reminder to all parishioners not to block the entry and exit points. Please also avoid double parking for the convenience of all parishioners attending Mass and parents of children attending the Sacramental Program.



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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday	Ezra 1: 1-6 ;	Ps 126;	Luke 8: 16-18
Tuesday	Ezra 6: 7-8, 12b, 14-20 ;	Ps 122;	Luke 8: 19-21
Wednesday	Ezra 9: 5-9 ;	Tobit 13	Luke 7: 31-35
Thursday	Haggai 1: 1-8 ;	Ps: 149;	Luke 9: 7-9
Friday	Dan 7: 9-10, 13-14 or Rev 12: 7-12ab ;	Ps 138:	John 1: 47-51
Saturday	Zechariah 2: 5-9, 14-15a ;	Jer 31	Luke 9: 43b-45

“Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son ”
 CF. Acts 16:14B

ROSTER FOR 23rd & 24th SEPTEMBER 2023 TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader:	Margie D'Rozario	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Vicky Coakley	Filipino Community	Catherine Tanginoa
Reader 1:	Chris Mendes	Frances Ah Ken	Maria Jose		Vijaya Nicholas
Reader 2:	Maria de Hoog	Mary Turnwald	Lose Veatupu		Mary Louise Mem....
Minister of	Maria Alimagno	Francis Ah Ken	Paul Coakley		Valerie Pua
Eucharist:	Renante Alimagno	Selesitina Levave	Jane Thomsen		Maria Seufatu
	Jessica D'Silva		Frances Ieremia		Sagato Matau
Collector	Mark & Phyllis	Jean Soniega	Men's fellowship	Celino	Floey & Mary Louise
Altar Servers:	Stephanie & Sasha		Levi & Carol	Jivanni & Matthew	Salomi, Jazer & Neil
Music Ministry:	Indian Group	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Filipino Community	Arthy & Denis
Offertory:					
		Cleaning Fiji Community(Friday) St. Vincent de Paul Tongan Community	Flowers Filipino Community	Children's Liturgy Arthy & Dennis	

ROSTER FOR 30th SEPTEMBER & 1st OCTOBER 2023 TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	child	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Paul Aalbers	Tongan Community	Betham Family
Reader 1:	Child	Jean Soniega	Maria Jose		
Reader 2:	Child	Frances Martirez	Yollanda D'Rozario		
Ministers of	Grace Cueva	Selesitina Levave	Colleen Aalbers		
Communion	Joyce Cueva	Geraldine Sequera	Teresa Malone		
	Angel Cueva		Josephine Kim		
Collector:	Phyllis Godwin	Jean Soniega	Men's fellowship		Floey & M. Louise
Altar Servers:	Stephanie & Jazer		Caroline	Suzaine & Jordan	Neil & Feeba
Music Ministry:	Arthy & Denis	Quiet Mass	Couples for Christ	Tongan Community	Betham Family
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