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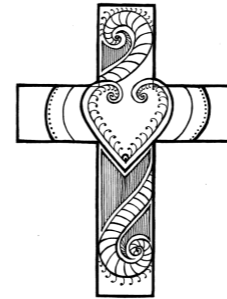
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03 Sept 2023 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Readings This Week**

First: **Jeremiah 20: 7-9**  
 Psalm: **Psalms 63**  
 Second: **Romans 12: 1-2**  
 Gospel: **Matthew 16: 21-27**

**Readings Next Week**

First: **Ezekiel 33: 7-9**  
 Psalm: **Psalms 95**  
 Second: **Second Corinthians 5: 19**  
 Gospel: **Matthew 18: 15-20**

**Responsorial Psalm Psalms 63**  
 Response: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

**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**

A true disciple gladly gives up all that he or she has in exchange for an unending life of joy and happiness with God. God gives without measure. The joy he offers no sadness or loss can diminish. The cross of Jesus Christ leads to victory and freedom from sin and death. What is the cross which Jesus Christ commands me to take up each day? When my will crosses with his will, then his will must be done. Are you ready to lose all for Jesus Christ in order to gain all with Jesus Christ?

"Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and all my will, all that I have and possess. You have given them to me; to you, O Lord, I restore them; all things are yours, dispose of them according to your will. Give me your love and your grace, for this is enough for me. (Prayer of Ignatius of Loyola, 1491-1556)

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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

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

**Church Office: 9:30am-12:30pm (Tue-Fri) Tel: (09) 835 3355 Address: 2 Lavelle Road, Henderson Auckland 0612**  
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**The Society of St Vincent de Paul** visits & befriends parishioners who might like some company, some of whom may be unwell or elderly. If you would like to be visited or you know of anybody in our parish who would, please contact the parish office on 09 835 3355.

**Sacrament of the Sick** will be held on Tuesday 19th September 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, 21st September 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 Annual Food Festival** will be held on Saturday 30th September this year from 11am onwards. If you are interested in selling food to help with fundraising for the Church Hall, please attend a meeting which will be held on Tuesday 5th September at 7pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

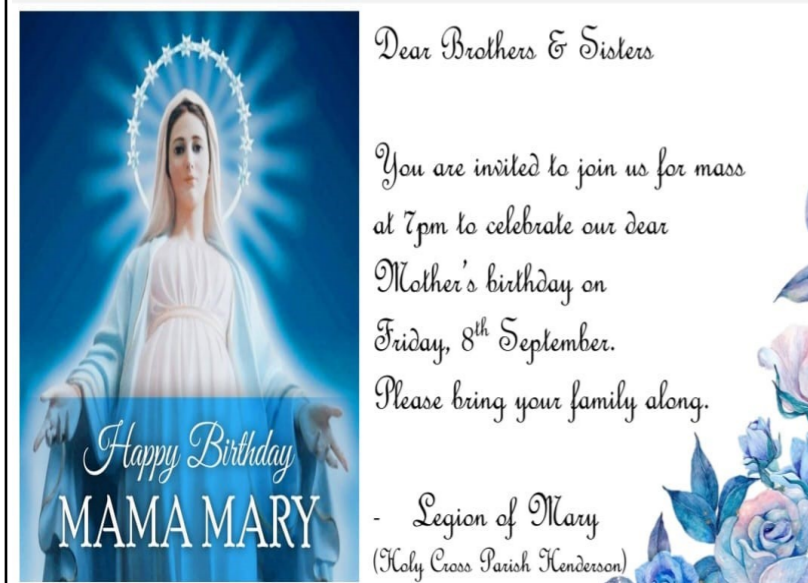
**Secular Franciscan Order** - Our Lady Help of Christians Fraternity, West Auckland will have their monthly meeting on Sunday the 10th of September at 2.30pm in the parish meeting room. If you would like to know more about our Order you are most welcome to come and meet us. For further details, please contact Jan Cherrington on 0211875176 or email: jancherrington@gmail.com

**Holy Cross Parish RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** will begin on Tuesday 12th September at 7.30pm at the Parish Pastoral Centre. Age group: 7 years upwards. The Parish RCIA would like to reassure anyone who would like to attend this program, that there is absolutely no imposition of any sort from our end, on the contrary it is entirely at the sole discretion of anyone who have the desire or inspiration to attend. Please call the office to register your name.

**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

**The Parish office will be closed on Tuesday 12th September as our Parish Administrators are attending an annual Secretarial Retreat. The Parish office will be open again on Wednesday 13th September.**



**HOLY CROSS FEAST DAY**  
  
**Thursday 14th September**  
**9am Mass will be followed by Blessed Adoration until 10.30am**

**Father's Day**  
**Sunday 3rd September**  
  
There will be a special blessing for all fathers at this week's Saturday's Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses



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**Mass Collection**

For last week

1st Collection \$ 1544.00

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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>	1 Thess 4: 13-18 ;	Ps 96;	Luke 4: 16-30
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Thess 5: 1-6, 9-11;	Ps 27;	Luke 4: 31-37
<b>Wednesday</b>	Colossians 1: 1-8 ;	Ps: 52	Luke 4: 38-44
<b>Thursday</b>	Colossians 1: 9-14 ;	Ps: 98;	Luke 5: 1-11
<b>Friday</b>	Micah 5: 1-4a or Romans 8: 28-30 ;	Ps 13:	Matthew 1: 1-16, 18-23
<b>Saturday</b>	Colossians 1: 21-23 :	Ps 54:	Luke 6: 1-5



**Mass for The Feast of St Teresa of Calcutta MC**

will be celebrated on Tuesday 5th September at 9am at St Mary, Immaculate Conception, Avondale. All are invited.

**ROSTER FOR 2nd & 3rd SEPTEMBER 2023 TWENTY SECOND 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	Paul Aalbers	Tongan Community	Betham Family
<b>Reader 1:</b>	Child	Savieta Lea	Gemma		
<b>Reader 2:</b>	Child	Sabrina Veatupu	Daniel Dominiguez		
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	Angel Cueva	Selesitina Levave	Colleen Aalbers		
	Joissee Cueva	Geraldine Sequera	Teresa Malone		
	Grace Cueva		Noelene Earlyly		Floey & Mary Louise
<b>Collector:</b>	Mark D'Silva	Jean Soniega	Mens Fellowship		
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Sasha & Jazer		Caroline & Levi	Suzaine & Jordan	Neil & Feeba
<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	

**ROSTER FOR 9th & 10th SEPTEMBER 2023 TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
<b>Leader :</b>	Margie D Rozario	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Sr Ake Nun Toon	Samoan Community	Betham Family
<b>Reader 1:</b>	Ingrid D'Silva	Jean Soniega	Anil Baptist		
<b>Reader 2:</b>	Anita Gupta	Frances Martirez	Paul Ah Kuoi		
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	Alice Sue	Michael Mckeown	Sina Patolo		
	Timothy Sue	Ann Mckeown	Malia Seufatu		
	Lyndon Cowan		Jennifer Baptist		Floey & Mary Louise
<b>Collector:</b>	Mark D'Silva	Jean Soniega	Men's fellowship		
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Stephanie & Zephan		Levi Smith & Carol	Jivanni & Jordan	Neil & Feeba
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Sr Ake and Choir	Quiet Mass	Sr Ake and Choir	Samoan Community	Betham Family
<b>Offertory:</b>					
		<b>Cleaning</b> Aho & Veatupu Family Siemsen Family Missionary Families of Christ	<b>Flowers</b> Veatupu & Aho Family	<b>Children's Liturgy</b> Denis & Arthy	