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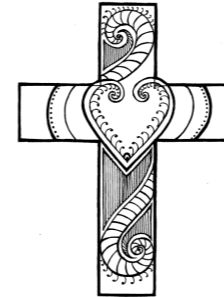
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**8 Oct 2023 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**Readings This Week**

First: **Isaiah 5: 1-7**  
Psalm: **Psalms 80**  
Second: **Philippians 4: 6-9**  
Gospel: **Matthew 21: 33-43**

**Readings Next Week**

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

**Responsorial Psalm Psalms 80**

Response: **The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.**

**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**

Why did Jesus' story about wicked tenants cause offense to the scribes and Pharisees? It contained both a prophetic message and a warning. Isaiah had spoken of the house of Israel as "the vineyard of the Lord" (Isaiah 5:7). Jesus' listeners would have likely understood this parable as referring to God's dealing with a stubborn and rebellious people.

This parable speaks to us today as well. It richly conveys some important truths about God and the way he deals with his people. First, it tells us of God's generosity and trust. The vineyard is well equipped with everything the tenants need. The owner went away and left the vineyard in the hands of the tenants. God, likewise trusts us enough to give us freedom to run life as we choose. This parable also tells us of God's patience and justice. Not once, but many times he forgives the tenants their debts. But while the tenants take advantage of the owner's patience, his judgment and justice prevail in the end.

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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



Fr Sebastian and the Food Festival Committee would like to express their appreciation and thank everyone who participated in raising the sum of **\$15,344.00** from the Annual Food Festival. A job well done to all despite the weather conditions on the day. The summary of the money raised by each stall can be found on the noticeboard in the foyer. All proceeds will be used for the Parish Hall renovations.

The St Vincent de Paul Society, Henderson would like to thank you for your ongoing support & prayers. Members will be outside the church accepting donations after all masses next weekend.

**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.

**Secular Franciscan Order** - Our Lady Help of Christians Fraternity, West Auckland will have their monthly meeting on Sunday the 8th of October 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

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** will be held on Thursday 12th of October at 7:30pm at the Parish Pastoral Centre.

**Parents of children in the Sacramental Program, please take note that the classes for Confirmation will resume on Sunday 15th of October at 9am.**

**World Apostolate of Fatima of New Zealand** will be celebrating the Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima on Friday 13th October at 3pm. All are welcome to attend.

**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.

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**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Monday</b>	Jonah 1: 1 - 2: 1-2, 11;	Jon 01;	Luke 10: 25-37
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jonah 3: 1-10 ;	Ps 130;	Luke 10: 38-42
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jonah 4: 1-11 ;	Ps 86	Luke 11: 1-4
<b>Thursday</b>	Malachi 3: 13-20b ;	Ps: 01;	Luke 11: 5-13
<b>Friday</b>	Joel 1: 13-15; 2: 1-2;	Ps 09:	Luke 11: 15-26
<b>Saturday</b>	Joel 4: 12-21 :	Ps 97	Luke 11: 27-28

**Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day October 7th**  
 Prayer and Novena to Our Lady of the Rosary  
 Beloved Mother Mary, I humbly come before you in prayer, kneeling at your feet as your cherished child. I present to you this Holy Rosary, an offering made in accordance with your requests at Fatima, as an expression of my deep affection for you and as a means to honour the intentions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

**ROSTER FOR 7th OCTOBER & 8th OCTOBER 2023 TWENTY SEVENTH 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	Vui Asiata	Betham Family
<b>Reader 1:</b>	Chris Mendes	Sabrina Veatupu	Mike Smith	Gemma Dominiquez	
<b>Reader 2:</b>	Ingrid D'Silva	Savieti Lea	Paul Ah Kuoi	Okesa Paea	
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	Jessica D'Silva	Ann Mckeown	Bernadette Boyd-Bell	Sina Patolo	
	Maria Alimagno	Mike Mckeown	Sherry Smith	Flor Skinner	
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<b>Collector:</b>	Mark & Phyllis	Jean Soniega	Men's Fellowship	Willie/Celino	Flocy & Mary L
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Salomi & Jazer		Levi Smith & Carol	Jivanni & Matthew	Neil & Feeba
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Arthy & Denis	Quiet Mass	Goldwyn Family	Sr Ake & Choir	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 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
<b>Leader</b>	Sister Ake Nun Toon	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Tai Asiata	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Catherine Tanginoa
<b>Reader 1:</b>		Mary Turnwald	Ann McGrath	Lose Veatupu	Kiara M Monteiro
<b>Reader 2:</b>		Frances Ah Ken	Lucy Goldwyn	Anisha Dias	Danielle Monterio
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<b>Collector:</b>	Mark & Phyllis	Jean Soniega	Men's Fellowship	Willie/Phyllis	Flocy & Mary L
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Stephanie & Zephan		Caroline and Levi	Suzaine & Jordan	Neil & Feeba
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Secular Franciscan Order	Quiet Mass	Lesatele Family	Sr Ake & Choir	Legion of Mary
<b>Offertory:</b>					
		<b>Cleaning</b> Ahio & Veatupu Family Siemsen Family	<b>Flowers</b> Samoan Community	<b>Children's Liturgy</b> Denis & Arthy	