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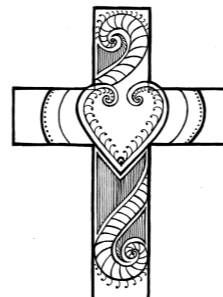
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19 Nov 2023 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings This Week

First: **Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-3**
Psalm: **Psalms 128**
Second: **First Thessalonians 5: 1-6**
Gospel: **Matthew 25: 14-30**

Readings Next Week- Christ the King

First: **Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17**
Psalm: **Psalms 23**
Second: **First Corinthians 15:20-26,28**
Gospel: **Matthew 25: 31-46**

Responsorial Psalm **Psalms 128**

Response: **Happy are those who fear the Lord.**

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

What do coins and the law of economics have to do with the kingdom of God? The Lord entrusts the subjects of his kingdom with gifts and graces and he gives his subjects the freedom to use them as they think best. With each gift and talent, God gives sufficient means (grace and wisdom) for using them in a fitting way. As the parable of the talents shows, God abhors indifference and an attitude that says it's not worth trying. God honours those who use their talents and gifts for doing good. Those who are faithful with even a little are entrusted with more! But those who neglect or squander what God has entrusted to them will lose what they have.

There is an important lesson here for us. No one can stand still for long in the Christian life. We either get more or we lose what we have. We either advance towards God or we slip back. Do you seek to serve God with the gifts, talents, and graces he has given to you?

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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 - 9am
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 – The last session for this year 2023 will be held on Sunday 19th Nov. (3rd Sun. instead of 4th Sun.) at 11.45am after the 10.30am Mass. We will resume again in Feb.2024.

This month's session will commence with a Talk on the Topic of the day followed by Faith sharing and a shared lunch.

Speaker: Adolf Goldwyn – Candidate for the Diaconate

Topic : EVANGELISATION

All are welcome! For further details please contact the Parish Office on 09 8353355

(A Secular Franciscan Order Initiative)

Sacramental Program

Practice for Confirmation with the sponsors
Sunday 19th November 1:30pm – 2.30pm

Reconciliation/Retreat Day for the children
Saturday 25th November 10:30am – 2.30pm

Confirmation Day
Sunday 26th November
1:30pm Group photograph session with Bishop Steve
2:00pm Mass

Practice for First Holy Communion
Saturday 2nd December 12:30pm – 1.30pm

First Holy Communion Day
Sunday 3rd December 2:00pm

Procession of Christ the King will be on Sunday, 26th November at 10:30am mass

Parish Reconciliation—Join us for a special confession on Tuesday, 12th December from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Please note that there will be a number of priests available to accommodate our parishioners. Please make use of this day to make a good confession in order to prepare yourselves for the welcoming of Jesus among us.

Planned Giving Envelopes are available for collection after mass this weekend or at the parish office during office hours.

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 this weekend.

The Caring Community would like to advise all Parishioner that their usual Christmas luncheon will not be taking place until the new year when the Hall is available. We will give you plenty of notice in the Brown Robe. **The last Tuesday drop-in morning tea for the year will be the Tuesday the 28th of November. The last Sacrament of the Sick for the year will be held on the 21st of November at 11 am followed by a special shared lunch.** Thank you all for your continued support, God Bless you all, Have a Blessed Christmas and New year.

The Caring Community Christmas Raffle—This is the last weekend to purchase your tickets. Raffle will be drawn on Tuesday, 21st November. \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Cash only. All proceeds to the Caring Community.

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.

World Day of the Poor 2023: Join Us in Making a Difference Sunday, 19 November marks the 7th annual World Day of the Poor, a day to consider how we all can stand in solidarity with those in need. Poverty is a pressing global issue, and this day calls us to action. Pope Francis has instructed us this year, “Do not turn your face away from those who are poor” (Tob 4:7). Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand's Commitment Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand works tirelessly to empower communities. They partner with organisations around the world to build thriving lives by addressing the root causes of poverty and injustice. Their mission aligns with Pope Francis' call to make a positive change in the world. Get Involved! Consider what you can do to recognise the World Day of the Poor 2023. Together, we can create a more just and compassionate world. Find out more about World Day of the Poor and the work of Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand! Caritas Website: caritas.org.nz Caritas Facebook page: facebook.com/caritasaotearoa Caritas Instagram: @

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Mass Collection

For last week

1st Collection \$ 1,719.00

2nd Collection \$ 1,744.10

Building Fund Envelope \$ 320.00

Direct Credits \$ 3,009.35

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

Monday 1 Macc1: 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119; Luke 18: 35-43
Tuesday 2: Macc 6: 18-31 ; Ps 03; Luke 19: 1-10
Wednesday 2: Macc 7: 1, 20-31 ; Ps 17 Luke 19: 11-28
Thursday 1 Macc 2: 15-29; Ps:95; Luke 19: 41-44
Friday 1 Macc 4: 3-37, 52-59 ; 1 Chr 29: Luke 19: 45-48
Saturday 1 Macc 6: 1-13 Ps 09; Luke 20: 27-40

A Prayer for peace in Israel and Gaza

Heavenly Father, we pray for the many people whose lives have been torn apart by conflict in Gaza and Israel. We pray especially those who have died, those who are grieving, the injured and those now without food, shelter or medical supplies. Strengthen and support the work of all relief organisations. We pray also for those who have the power to bring peace. May they be touched by a spirit of compassion and kindness. Lord hear us as we pray in the power of your Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Roster for 18th & 19th November 2023. THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Secular Franciscan	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Vui Tai Asista	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Fijian Community
Reader 1:		Jean Soniega	Mike Smith	Maria Kumitau	
Reader 2:		Frances Martirez	Savieti Lea	Loloviko Finau	
Ministers of Eucharist		Jennifer Baptist	Sherry Smith	Sione Vakauta	
		Selesitina Levave	Jasmine Prem	Pearlie Judd	
			Jane Thomsen	Teresa Malone	
Collector	Phyllis & Mark	Soniega family	Anthony/Men's Fellowship	Celino	
Altar Servers:	Secular Franciscan		Chana & Hezekia	Matthew & Jivani	Neil & Feeba
Music Ministry:		Quiet Mass	Lesatele Family	Sr Ake & Choir	Fijian Community
		Cleaning Samoan Community Couples for Christ Redfern Family	Flowers Samoan Community	Children's Liturgy Arthy & Dennis	

Feast day of Christ the King 25th & 26th November

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader	Julia Macuja	Ana Maria Ah Kuoi	Paul Aalbers	Filipino Community	Catherine Tanginoa
Reader 1:	Amy Macuja	Savieti Lea	Lose Veatupu		Kimberly Suan
Reader 2:	Stephanie Alimagno	Sabrina Veatupu	Maria Jose		Jana Villiver
Ministers of	Jessica D'Silva	Ann Mckeown	Colleen Aalbers		Sagato Matau
Communion	Renante Alimagno	Mike Mckeown	Pearlie Tomas		Malia Vaetupu
	Maria Alimagno		Piet Bakker	Maria Faleusu	
Collector:	Phyllis & Mark	Soniega Family	Men's fellowship	Flocy	
Altar Servers:	Salomi & Jazer		Matthew & Jivanni	Feeba & Neil	
Music Ministry:	Indian Group	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Children's Liturgy Arthy & Dennis	Dennis & Arthy
		Cleaning Fiji Community(Friday) St. Vincent de Paul	Flowers Filipino Community		

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.