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10 March 2024 4th Sunday of Lent



Readings This Sunday

First: 2Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23 or 1 Samuel 16:1-6, 7,10-13
Psalm: Ps 137 or Ps 23
Second: Ephesians 2:4-10 or Ephesians 5:8-14
Gospel: John 3:14-21 or John 9:1-41

Readings Next Sunday

First: Jer. 31:31-34 or Ezekiel 37:12-14
Psalm: Ps 51 or Ps 17
Second: Hebrews 5:7-9 or Romans 8:8-11
Gospel: John 12:20-33 or John 11:1-45

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137
Response: Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

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

Reflect, today, upon how open you are to the fullness of God's Word. What would happen if God were to reveal to you, by an immediate personal revelation of divine knowledge, all that was in His sacred mind? Would it be too much for you to handle? Yes, it would be. But that humble admission is an important step toward that very goal. Humble yourself, today, more fully before the mysterious Word of God and pray that you will continue to be changed and open so that the clarity of God's truth will more fully penetrate your soul.

My teaching Lord, Your sacred Truth is so deep, so profound and so transforming that it remains too much for me to fully comprehend and embrace. For that reason, I thank You for the mercy of speaking to me in veiled ways so as to continually draw me deeper in my faith and knowledge of You. Please continue to open my mind and heart to You so that, one day, I will understand Your Truth most fully. Jesus, I trust in 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 - 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

In Remembrance –We invite everyone to attend a special Novena Mass commemorating the first-year death anniversary of Fr. Mario on Wednesday, 13th March at 7:30 PM. Followed by a shared tea & light refreshment.

Sacrament of the Sick Tuesday the 19th of March 11am, followed by a Shared lunch. All are Welcome.

Faith Sharing Sunday

Our next session for 2024 will be held on the 3rd. Sunday 17th Mar. at 11.45am after the 10.30am Mass. (since the 4th Sunday is Palm Sunday). The session will commence with a Talk on the Topic of the day followed by a shared lunch.

For our session this month :

Speaker: Sister Tui Cadigan RSM from Christchurch

Topic : Te Karanga / The Call

All are welcome!especially our youth. For further details please contact the Parish Office on 09 835 3355 (*A Secular Franciscan Order Initiative*)

Stations of the Cross During Lent

Tuesday to Friday—Divine Mercy at 8:15am, Stations of the Cross at 8:30 am, followed by daily Mass at 9:00am.

Wednesday— Stations of the Cross at 6:40pm, Novena at 7:10pm followed by Mass.

Friday, 15th March conducted by El Shaddai Bible Study Group at 7:30pm

Special Reconciliation, 19th March –7pm to 9pm

Palm Sunday 24th March, procession at the start of 6pm Vigil Mass, 10:30am Mass and 6pm Mass

We are in need of palms. You are welcome to bring your own palms as well. Please contact Sister Ake for further details.

Holy Thursday Mass - 28th March at 7pm

Good Friday—29th March, 11am Stations of the Cross at school grounds, 3pm Good Friday Passion Service in the church.

Holy Saturday, 30th March, 7pm Vigil Mass Blessing of the Fire outside the Church. Candles will be provided. Blessing of Holy Water. Please bring your own water to be blessed. Please take note there will be no 8am mass and no confession.

Easter Sunday, 31st March. Masses at 7am, 9am, 10:30am and 6pm.

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 **18th April from 7pm to 8:30pm** in our church. To register, please text "BAPTISM" along with the parents' names to 022 673 2208. For children 7 years and above, please contact the parish office for further information.

Sunday Catechism For Children: Dear Parents, we welcome your children to join our Sunday Catechism classes.

Time: 9am to 10am

Venue: Holy Cross Parish meeting room.

For queries and catechism class free registration contact 0223193621.

Children's Sunday Liturgy: Dear Parents, We welcome Children who are yet to receive their Holy Communion (only) to attend the Sunday Children's Liturgy during 10:30am mass.

For all those children who have received their holy communion, we encourage them to attend the 9am - 10am catechism session and then to participate in the 10:30am mass celebration. For any queries, kindly contact 0223193621.

Children's Lenten Seminar: Dear Parents, this is a special program designed for your children to be spiritually nourished and to experience Jesus in a special way. Children will learn that Lent is the time of great love and the best time to listen to Jesus's voice of love for us. This program also includes some exciting group activities and games. Children from Age 5-15 are very welcome.

For any queries and Free Registration text "Lent" to 0223193621. Registration is mandatory!

Date: Sunday, 10 March 2024.

Time: 12pm to 3pm

Children need to bring their own Lunch. Light refreshments will be served.

Volunteers For Children Outreach: Are you passionate to serve children and love to be one of our volunteer support for our children's programs. Kindly contact 0223193621 for more details. Thank you.

For any of the above children ministry related queries, kindly contact Arthy on 0223193621.

Kindly join us in praying one Hail Mary and Holy Mary for all the children in the world. Thank you for your prayers and support.

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.

Secular Franciscans will meet this Sunday, 10th of March in Holy Cross Parish meeting Room at 2:30pm. Visitors are welcome.



Parish Contacts

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Mass Collection

For last week

1st Collection \$ 1,823.60

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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 the week

- Monday** Isaiah 65:17-21 Ps 30 John 4:43-54
- Tuesday** Ezekiel 47:1-9,12 Ps 49 John 5:1-3,5-16
- Wednesday** Isaiah 49:8-15 Ps 145 John 5:17-30
- Thursday** Exodus 32:7-14 Ps 106 John 5:31-47
- Friday** Wisdom 2:1,12-22 Ps 34 John 7:1-210,25-30
- Saturday** Jeremiah 11:18-20 Ps 7 John 7:40-52

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 God parent requesting the child's baptism in the Catholic Faith is needed.

Please check the notice board for Rosters and Auckland Diocese notices.

Fourth Week of Lent 9th & 10th March 2024					
	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader	Margie D Rosario	Anamaria Ah Kuoi	Janice Borsos	Samoan Community	Katherine Tanginoa
1st Reader	Ingrid D'Silva	Mary Turnwald	Cheryl Sinclair		Kaira Monteiro
2nd Reader	Stephanie Alimagno	Frances Ah Ken	Maria Jose		Danielle Monterio
Ministers of Holy Communion	Jessica D'Silva Maria Alimagno Renante Alimagno	Francis Ah Ken Susitina Levave	Frank Borsos Jasmine Prem		Michael Eade Malia Vaetupu Malia Faleusu
Collectors	Mark D'Silva	Soniega Family	Anthony/Men's	Flocy & Co	Michael Eade
Altar Servers	Luis & Jacob & Sephan	Selemena & Tito	Chana & Hezekia	Suzaine & Jordan	Neil & Feeba
Music	Arthy & Denis	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Samoan Community	Betham Family
Fifth Week of Lent 16th & 17th March 2024					
	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader	Sr Ake Nun Toon	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Tai Asista	Anamaria Ah Kuoi	Fijian Community
1st Reader		Sabrina Veatupu	Yolanda Draozario	Maria Kumitau	
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Music	Evelyn Pereira	Quiet Mass	Lesatele Family	Sr Ake & Friends	