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Readings This Sunday

Procession of Palms - First: Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16 Psalm Ps 22 Second John 12:12-16
 Mass - First: 1 Isaiah 50:4-7
 Second: Philippians 2:6-11
 Gospel Mark 14:1-15:47

Readings Easter Sunday

Resurrection of the Lord's Passion -
 First: Acts 10:34, 37-43
 Psalm Ps 118
 Second Colossians 3:1-4 or 1Corinthians 5:6-8
 Gospel John 20:1-9

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22
 Response: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

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"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 the God Whom you worship this Holy Week. Do not shy away from all that Jesus endured. Gaze at His rejection and passion. Look at the hatred He endured. As you do, see not only your glorious God, see also the remedy for all your ills. God descended to us in this most humble form so that He could meet us where we are at and raise us to new life with Him.

My suffering Lord, I worship You and praise You with all my heart. As You entered Jerusalem for the Passover, You intended to give new power to that celebration by becoming the New and Eternal Paschal Lamb. May I always worship You Who suffered for me and give to You all that I endure in life to be transformed by Your saving act. Jesus, I trust in You

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

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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.

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. No morning Mass.

Good Friday—29th March, 11am Stations of the Cross at school grounds, 3pm Good Friday Passion Service in the church. No morning Mass.

Holy Saturday—30th March, 7pm Vigil Mass Blessing of the Fire outside the Church. Please note: Candles will not be provided anymore so please bring your own candles with candle drip catcher. Blessing of Holy Water; please bring your own water to be blessed. 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.

Drop In Morning Tea after 9am Mass every Tuesday except the 3rd Tuesday of the month. All are welcome.

Holy Cross Caring Community Raffle tickets on sale at Saturday 6pm mass and on Sunday morning masses. 3 for \$5 or \$2 each. Cash only. Tickets will be drawn on 26th March. Thank you for your support.

Holy Cross Charismatic Fellowship will have their monthly meeting on Monday the 25th of March at 7pm in the parish meeting room. We will be reflecting on the 2nd chapter of St Paul's letter to the Phillipians. All parishioners are welcome to attend. For further information please contact Anil Baptist on 0223649306 or anilbaptist@gmail.com.

Secular Franciscan Order - Our Lady Help of Christians Fraternity, West Auckland will have their monthly meeting on Sunday the 14th of April at 1:30pm 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

Divine Mercy Feast Sunday 7th April 5:30pm at St Benedict's Parish,
1 St Benedict's Street, Eden Terrace. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Blessing of Images, Benediction, Holy Mass, Veneration of St Faustina's relic. You are warmly invited to attend this Feast Day Celebration. Bring your Divine Mercy images & artefacts to be blessed. Jesus told St Faustina "My Heart rejoices on this Feast Day". Free Parking at Wilson carpark & street parking is also free on Sunday.

Kairos New Zealand are hosting our Annual 'GetSet' retreat at Houghtons Bush Camp, Muriwai, from Friday 12 April 2024 6pm onwards to Sunday 14 April 2024 2.45pm. This is the 10th anniversary of GetSet and it promises to be a special one. We invite all young adults aged 18-35 years to attend. The Theme this year is "By the Stream" based on Psalm 1:1-3. To register please check out the poster on the church notice board or pick up a flyer. Register at: <http://tinyurl.com/GetSet2024>. For more information, please contact Karyn Coutinho 021806855 or email getset.auckland@gmail.com

Health & Safety—Parking Reminder: As we approach Holy Week, we kindly remind you of parking regulations. Please refrain from parking on the grass and pavements. Additionally, double parking is strictly prohibited, and the staff parking area is reserved for priests, staff, and choir members needing to transport musical equipment for the various services and masses throughout Holy Week. Let us show gratitude for our volunteers who assist with parking and ushering, ensuring a safe and smooth service during this important time in the liturgical year.

Safeguarding— Parental Supervision: For the safety of all, please accompany your children in the church at all times. We prioritize everyone's well-being, especially the vulnerable. Thank you for your cooperation.

Police Vetting: Priests, employees & volunteers in our parish undergo police vetting as mandated by the Catholic Diocese requirements.



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Thank you for your kind support and generosity.

Scripture Readings for the week
Easter Octave Acts 2:14,22-32 Ps16 Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday Acts 2:36-4 Ps 33 John 20:11-18
Wednesday Acts 3:1-10 LPs 105 Luke 24:13-35
Thursday Acts 3:11-26 Ps 8 Luke 24:35-48
Friday Acts 4:1-12 Ps118 John 21:1-14
Saturday Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118 Mark 16:9-15

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.



Sunday Catechism For Children—Dear Parents, we welcome your children to join our Sunday Catechism classes from 9am to 10am at Holy Cross Parish meeting room. For queries and catechism class free registration contact Arthy on 0223193621.
Sunday Children's Liturgy is conducted during the Sunday 9am and 10:30am masses, specifically catering to children who have not yet received Holy Communion. We encourage children who have received their Holy Communion to participate in the mass.

Please check the notice board for Holy Week Roster and Auckland Diocese notices.

ROSTER FOR PALM SUNDAY 23rd & 24th March 2024					
Mass	Vigil Mass	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Eric Cueva	Anamaria Ah Kuoi	Vakauta Family	Filipino Community	Katherine Tanginoa
Reader 1:	Gafatasi Endemann	Mary Turnwald			Kimberly Suan
Reader 2:	Ingrid D' Silva	Frances Ah Ken	Men's Fellowship	Jordan & Suzanne	Sue Ivceovich
Passion:					
Narrator	Chris Mendes	Savieti Lea	Vakauta Family	Filipino Community	Sr Akenese
Priest					
Reader 2:	Michele de Melo	Jean Soniega	Quiet Mass	Filipino Community	Mary Louise
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Lyndon Cowan	Geraldine Sequeva			
	Dominica Cowan	Francis Ah Ken			Maria & Renante
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Altar Servers:	Joseph & Sephan	Selemena & Tito			Flocy Membrere
Music Ministry:	Indian Community	Quiet Mass			Neil Fernandes & Feeba
		Cleaning	No flowers during Lent		Arthy & Denis
		Fiji Community			
		St. Vincent de Paul			