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"If you should fail, be humble, make a resolution to be submissive to God's will and then get up, and carry on" -St. Padre Pio

2nd of February 2025 The Presentation Of The Lord

	Responsorial Psalm Ps 24 Response: Who is this king of glory? It is 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".
Confronting the sin of indifference and unbelief When Jesus first proclaimed the good news of God's kingdom to his own townspeople at Nazareth (Luke 4:23-27), he did not hesitate to confront them with their sin of indifference and unbelief. He startled his listeners in the synagogue at Nazareth with a seeming rebuke that no prophet or servant of God could receive honor among his own people. He then angered them when he complimented Gentiles (non-Jews) who had shown more faith in God than the "chosen ones" of Israel. Some who despised the Gentiles (non-Jews) even spoke of them as "fuel for the fires of hell." Jesus' praise for "outsiders" offended the ears of his own people because they were blind-sighted to God's merciful plan of redemption for all the nations. The word of rebuke spoken by Jesus was met with indignation and hostility. The Nazarenes forcibly threw him out of their town and would have done him physical harm had he not stopped them. We all stand in need of God's grace and merciful help every day and every moment of our lives. Scripture tells us that "the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning" (Lamentations 3:22-23). God gives grace to the humble who seek him with expectant faith and with a repentant heart that wants to be made whole and clean again.	
The Lord Jesus will set us free from every sinful habit and every harmful way of relating to our neighbor, if we allow him to cleanse and heal us. If we want to walk in freedom and grow in love and holiness, then we must humbly renounce our sinful ways and submit to Christ's instruction and healing discipline in our lives. Scripture tells us that the Lord disciplines us for our good that we may share his holiness (Hebrews 12:10). Do you want the Lord Jesus to set you free and make you whole again? Ask him to show you the way to walk in his healing love and truth.	
<p>"Lord Jesus, teach me to love your ways that I may be quick to renounce sin and wilfulness in my life. Make me whole and clean again that I may delight to do your will."</p>	
<p>CAPUCHIN FRIARS Fr. Ranjit Ekka OFM Cap.—Parish Administrator Fr. Daniel Sitanggang OFM Cap—Assistant Parish Priest Fr Praful Kerketta OFM Cap— Assistant Parish Priest</p> <p>Janice Borsos— School Principal</p>	

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** 9:00am –10:00am

Every **Sunday** 10:30am –11:30am

FAITH SHARING

Every **4th Sunday** of the month at 11.45am

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Every **4th Sunday** of the month 2pm-3pm

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Jubilee 2025- Pope Francis has declared this year of Jubilee with the theme Pilgrims of Hope, giving voice to his desire for the year to foster a greater sense of global sisterhood and brotherhood, solidarity with the poor, and caring for the environment. We will begin the Jubilee Year at next Sunday's 10.30am Mass onwards

Children's Mass—We warmly invite all parents and guardians to join us for our monthly Children's Mass on Saturday 1st February 2025 at 6pm and is held on the first Saturday of each month. This special Mass is designed for children, and we encourage you to bring your little ones to participate.

Caring Community—Drop in morning tea will start again on Tuesday 4th February after 9am Mass

Devotion Restart Dates And Times:

20 Decade Rosary: Wednesday 5th February after the 9am Mass

Reconciliation: Wednesday 5th February at 6.45pm to 7.15pm

Novena To Our Mother Of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 5th February at 7.10pm followed by Mass

Exposition Of The Blessed Sacrament: Thursday 6th February after 9am Mass until 12pm

First Friday Mass: Friday 7th February beginning with Blessed Adoration at 6.30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7.30pm



Jesus came to his disciples and found them asleep and he said “ What, could you not keep watch with me one hour?” (Matt. 26:40)

Silent Eucharistic Adoration is one way to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament every **Thursday, beginning 6th Feb. 2025 between 9.30 am (after Mass) and 12 noon** in our church, concluding with **Benediction** and **The Angelus**.

Leaders of all our parish groups are requested to encourage their members to pray in silence during this time, for our families, our parish, our country and our world, which is in urgent need of prayer. God bless you.

Mass Collection Summary from 23rd December 2024 to 26th January 2025

Dates	23/12/24 to 29/12/24	30/12/24 to 5/01/2025	06/01/25 to 12/01/25	13/01/25 to 19/01/25	20/01/25 to 26/01/25
1st Collection	\$1,480.00	\$2,391.00	\$2,338.00	\$2,303.70	\$2,078.70
2nd Collection	\$1,769.70	\$1,990.60	\$1,956.30	\$1,729.10	\$1,666.40
Building Fund	\$105.00	\$100.00	\$160.00	\$30.00	\$45.00
Direct Credits	\$3,599.35	\$3,777.35	\$3,826.35	\$3,671.35	\$3,713.35

Christmas Day 2024 Collection - \$3,311.10

Monthly parish Receipts and Disbursements Report is posted regularly on the church foyer board. Thank you for your kind support and generosity. All tax receipts have been sent via email. For those without email or those that haven't been collected from the parish office, they have been sent via post.

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 on Saturday 15th February and Sunday 16th February. If you wish to donate online, Bank transfers can be made to St Vincent de Paul Holy Cross: 12-3020-0488780-00. Please add your full name as reference. Tax receipts will be issued at the end of the year. Contact hendersonsvdp@gmail.com for your receipt.

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 and sponsors to attend a Baptism Formation Program. The next program will take place on Friday 21st February at 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm in Church. To register, please text **"BAPTISM PROGRAM"** along with the parents' names to **022 673 2208**.

Legion of Mary—The Legion of Mary encourages you all to have the Statue of our dear Mother Mary at your home. We have 3 statues that are circulated in the Parish currently. If you would love to have our blessed Mother brought to your home, kindly leave your contact details in the box provided at the foyer of the church and we will get in touch with you.

Secular Franciscans will meet next Sunday 9th of February in Holy Cross Parish meeting Room at 2:30pm. Visitors are welcome. (Every second Sunday of the month). For further details, please contact Jan Cherrington on 0211875176 or email jancherrington@gmail.com.

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 required.

Health and Safety—Children under the age of 5 are not permitted upstairs or allowed to play on the stairs. The stairs are quite steep, posing a risk of falls and injury.

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. **Please refrain from using the sacristy toilet, public toilets are available at the foyer.** Thank you for your cooperation.



Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday 9:30am after Morning Mass

Join us for silent Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday 9:30am - 12noon
Holy Cross Parish Henderson

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Readings This Sunday

First: Malachi 3: 1-4

Psalms: 24

Second: Hebrews 2: 14-18

Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40 or Luke 2: 22-32

Readings Next Sunday

First: Isaiah 6: 1-2a, 3-8

Psalms: 138

Second: First Corinthians 15: 1-11 or First Corinthians 15: 3-8, 11

Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11

Scripture Readings for the week

Monday	Ps 31	Hebrews 11: 32-40	Mark 5: 1-20
Tuesday	Ps 22	Hebrews 12: 1-4	Mark 5: 21-43
Wednesday	Ps 103	Hebrews 12: 4-7, 11-15	Mark 6: 1-6
Thursday	Ps 48	Hebrews 12: 18-19, 21-24	Mark 6: 7-13
Friday	Ps 27	Hebrews 13: 1-8	Mark 6: 14-29
Saturday	Ps 23	Hebrews 13: 15-17, 20-21	Mark 6: 30-34

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.

ROSTER FOR 1st FEBRUARY & 2nd FEBRUARY 2025 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sunday 10.30am	Sunday 6pm
Leader :	Children's Mass	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Janice Borsos	Tongan Community	Gafatasi Endemann
Reader 1:		Sabrina Veatupu	Anil Baptist		Gavin Colaco
Reader 2:		Jean Soniega	Yollando D'Rozario		Sue Ivceivich
Ministers of	Renante & Jess Alimagno	Selesitina Levave	Jennifer B, Frank Borsos		Michael Eade
Communion	Jessica D'Silva	Geraldine Sequera	Josephine Kim, Frances I		Sagato Matau
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark & Elridge	Soniega Family	Men's fellowship		Michael Eade
Altar Servers:	Sephan & Joseph	Titoo & Co	Renessa & Caroline	Suzaine & Jordan	Jazer & Salomi & Feebas
Music Ministry:	Musica Christi	Quiet Mass	Disciples	Tongan Community	Betham Family
Offertory:					
		Cleaning Secular Franciscans Men's Fellowship Legion of Mary	Flowers Secular Franciscans Men's Fellowship Legion of Mary	Children's Liturgy Sisters of Charity	

ROSTER FOR 8th FEBRUARY & 9th FEBRUARY 2025 FIFTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sunday 10.30am	Sunday 6pm
Leader	Julia Macuja	Jean Soniega	Vicky Coakley	Samoan Community	Gafatasi Endemann
Reader 1:	Amy Macuja	Frances Martinez	Berna Fernandez		Maria de Hoog
Reader 2:	Stephanie Alimagno	Saviati Lea	Mike Smith		Kimberley Suan
Ministers of	Maria & Renante	Ann Mckeown	Sherry Smith Paul		Michael Eade
Eucharist	Jessica D'Silva	Mike Mckeown	Sulieti Lesatele Teresa M		Lito & Joyce Padilla
					Sagato Matau
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark & Elridge	Soniega Family	Men's fellowship		Michael Eade
Altar Servers:	Sephan & Joseph	Titoo & Co	Renessa, Fransca & Carol	Suzaine & Jordan	Feeba & Co
Music Ministry:	Musica Christi	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Samoan Community	Betham Family
Offertory:					
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