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08th of June 2025 Pentecost Sunday

	<p>Responsorial Psalm Ps 47 Response: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy, a blare of trumpets for the Lord.</p> <p>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".</p>	<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</p> <p>CARING COMMUNITY Drop-in every Tuesday after 9am Mass</p> <p>SACRAMENT OF THE SICK Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 11am followed by a shared lunch</p> <p>20 DECADE ROSARY Wednesday -After 9am Mass</p> <p>RECONCILIATION Wednesday - 6:45pm to 7:15pm. Also by appointment</p> <p>EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Thursday- After 9am Mass until 12pm</p> <p>MEDITATION Last Friday of the month at 10am</p> <p>BAPTISM COURSE Every 3rd Friday of the month 5:30 pm at pastoral centre</p> <p>BAPTISM SCHEDULE Saturday 10:30am, 11:30am, and 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 and 10:30am Mass</p> <p>FAITH SHARING Every 4th Sunday of the month at 11.45am DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET NOVENA & ROSARY Every 4th Sunday of the month 2pm-3pm</p>																								
<p>Come to Us Holy Spirit! <i>And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim Acts 2:2-4</i></p> <p>Happy birthday! Today, as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, we also celebrate the birth of the Church. Thus, today is a celebration of your membership in the life of the Church. As a human institution, the Church has always suffered on account of the sins of Her members. This sad truth is something that we are increasingly aware of today. But the Church itself is the Spotless Bride of Christ. Reflect, today, upon the incredible privilege it is to be invited to be a member of the Family of God, the Church. And reflect, also, upon the important duty you have to extend that invitation to others. Pray to the Holy Spirit, asking for an increase in His seven-fold gifts in your life so that You can help share the saving message of the Gospel to those whom God wants to reach through you.</p> <p>Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, Who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Jesus, I trust in You.</p>																										
<p>CAPUCHIN FRIARS Fr. Ephrem Tigga OFM Cap.—Parish Priest Fr. Daniel Sitanggang OFM Cap.—Assistant Parish Priest</p> <p>Janice Borsos— School Principal</p>																										
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SVDP HENDERSON — For those in need of help. The St Vincent de Paul food bank (located in the blue sheds across the road), will now be open on Saturday mornings from 7th June onwards after the morning mass from 8:30am to 9:30am. If you wish to contribute to this worthy cause, you can do so by way of 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.

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Parishioners– We encourage all parishioners to **register** themselves and their families with the parish. Being a registered parishioner comes with many benefits, including easier access to **Preference signing**, the Sacramental Program, and the Sacrament of Matrimony. If you join our **Planned Giving** programme, you are also **eligible** for a **33% tax rebate** at the end of the financial year. Registration also opens the door for you to volunteer in our various ministries and services — vital roles that keep our parish community alive and thriving.

Thank you in advance for taking this important step to be more connected and involved in our parish family.

Preference Card—will be signed by appointment only, every Tuesday from 11am until 12:30pm. Starting next week Signing of Preference Enrolment Certificate will only be available for **registered parishioner of Holy Cross Parish Henderson**. Additionally, you also must provide a copy of your **child's baptism certificate**. There is a new requirement for Option 5.4, if the child or their family are not baptized in the Catholic Faith, a **baptism certificate of the guardian, aunt, uncle or grandparent** requesting the child's enrolment in a Catholic School, along with supporting form are required. Once completed and signed by our priest’s the form will be emailed to the diocese for approval. Parents must wait for the Diocesan approval before enrolling their child. It is not a guarantee that they will be accepted.

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The word “**Pentecost**” is found in both the Old Testament and the New. The origin of the Christian use of Pentecost is found in Acts 2. This chapter tells us that while the believers were gathered together, “a sound like the rush of a violent wind ... filled the entire house where they were sitting” (Acts 2:2). Tongues of fire appeared and rested on the believers. They “were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability” (Acts 2:4).

At that time, everyone was in Jerusalem for the celebration of Shavuot (the Jewish harvest festival of Pentecost, which occurs 50 days after Passover). Jews from many different nations suddenly heard the disciples speaking in their own native languages. “Parthians, Medes, Elamites, residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs” heard the preaching of God’s power (Acts 2:9-11). St. Peter — the rock on which the Church was built — gave a clear and public presentation of the Gospel. He spoke to the crowd of Christ’s miracles, crucifixion and resurrection, and he encouraged everyone to repent, be baptized and “receive the gift of the Holy Spirit” (Acts 2:38).



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Holy Cross Parish Volunteers

Ministries– Please discern what ministry, that you can help in our Parish. If you want to serve, we would like to know. There will be people who will be taking names, kindly approach them. Ministries Like Ushers, Altar Servers, Leaders, Readers, Especial Eucharistic Ministers, Collectors, and even Cleaners.

Special Parish Events Volunteers—if you can give up your time during any Big Parish Events, we would like to know your name. Please approach the people outside and give them your contact details. The Office staff will come back to you.

Flowers– Flower rosters are in the Foyer Parish Bulletin Board. Anyone who are willing to donate for the flower arrangement, either monetary or helping in the decorations, kindly contact the Prish Office.

Corpus Cristi—Sunday 22nd of June is the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. We will be processing the Blessed Sacrament before the 10:30am Mass. We need 4 abled men to hold the post of the “baldacchino”. Please contact the Parish Office.

Pentecost 7th & 8th June 2025					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Betham Family
Leader :	Julia Macuja	Bonita	Sr Ake Nun Toon	Samoan Community	Gafatasi Endeman
Reader 1:	Ingrid D'Silva	Savieti Lea	Yollanda D'Rozario		Maria Kunitau
Reader 2:	Amy Macuja	Nikolao Sagote Why	Delores Lesatele		Jannille Vafflor
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Jessica D'Silva	Selesitina Levave	Noelene Earltly		Michael Eade
	Dominica Cowan	Geraldine Sequera	Bernadette B/Bell		Amosa Betham
	Grace Padilla		Chantal Sieglaar		Sr Ake
	Lito Padilla		Sulieti Lesatele		
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark, & Elridge	Soniega Family	Anthony/Men's Fellowship		Michael Eade / Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Joseph & Sephan	Tito, Amanda	Caroline, Ranessa	Suzainne, Jordan,	Feeba, Ana
		& Isabel	Lawrence, Frencheska	Savanna	Lui & Jacob
Music Ministry	Musica Christi	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Samoan Community	Betham Family
Offertory					

Trinity 14th & 15th June 2025					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Secular Franiscan	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Vicky Coakley	Tai Asiata	Legion of Mary
Reader 1:		Jean Soniega	Maria Jose	Maria Kumitau	
Reader 2:		Savieti Lea	Anil Baptist	Jacinta Lemana	
Ministers of Holy Communion:		Geraldine Sequera	Paul Coakley	Filemoni & Malia	
		Selesitina Levave	Jennifer Baptist	Lena San Gabriel	
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