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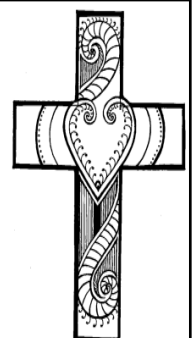
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27th of July 2025 Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

	<p>Responsorial Psalm Ps 138 Response: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me!</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>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>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 COURSE Every 3rd Friday of the month 5:30 pm at pastoral centre 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 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>Learning to Pray! <i>Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." . Luke 11:1</i></p> <p>What will we receive from persistent prayer? This is an important point. We ought not go to God with our own wants and desires. We ought not beg Him for things that do not fall within His perfect will. Instead, when our prayer is modeled on the Lord's Prayer, and when it is persistent and grounded in faith, then our prayer will be for what the Father bestows upon us, that is His will alone. We must pray that His Kingdom will come. We must trust that He will provide for our needs. We must seek His forgiveness for our sins, and we must pray that He will protect us from the evil one.</p> <p>Reflect, today, upon that perfect prayer, The Lord's Prayer. Spend time studying it, thinking about each petition, the order in which Jesus laid it out, its simplicity and its clarity. Acknowledge that because we pray The Lord's Prayer so often, we can sometimes miss its true meaning and beauty. Our Lord gave us this prayer for a reason. Make sure that you do all you can to discover its meaning and practice its teaching .</p> <p>Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. 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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Today, we honour **St Joachim and St Anne**, the beloved parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of our Lord Jesus Christ. May their example inspire all grandparents in faith, love, and devotion.

New Priest—We welcome our new priest from India **Fr Praveen Lobo OFM Cap.** He arrived Thursday 24th of July and will be serving our Parish along side Fr Ephrem and Fr Daniel.

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Pilgrim of Hope—the Jubilee Year 2025, we journey together as Pilgrims of Hope, called to renew our faith, rekindle our love for the Church, and walk in unity toward a future filled with God's promise. This sacred pilgrimage is not only physical but deeply spiritual—a journey of hearts turned toward Christ, the source of our hope. In a world marked by uncertainty, division, and suffering, the Jubilee invites us to become signs of hope for others. We are encouraged to open the **"holy doors"** of our hearts to mercy, reconciliation, and solidarity. As pilgrims, we do not walk alone. We are part of a Church that is universal and alive, rooted in the past but looking with trust to the future. Let us journey in prayer, service, and joyful anticipation.

We need all the leaders of the community, prayer groups and any parish groups to come to the meeting on 31st of July at 7 pm to talk about Pilgrims of Hope. If the leaders cannot come, please send a representative.

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Faith Sharing Sunday Our next Session for 2025 will be held on Sun. 27th July at 11.45am (after the 10.30am Mass) The session will commence with a Talk on the Topic of the day followed by a shared lunch. For our session this month : -Speaker: Sr. Cherubina M.C. (Missionaries of Charity) Topic : ‘A Channel of Peace’. Come and listen to Sr. Cherubina M.C. speak to us about how God is calling each one of us to become a Channel of Peace in our troubled world.....All are welcome! For further details please contact the Parish Office on 09 835 3355 (A Secular Franciscan Order Initiative)

Holy Cross charismatic fellowship will have their monthly meeting on Monday the 28th of July at 7pm in the parish meeting room. We will be reflecting on the 3rd and 4th chapter of St Paul's letter to the Galatians. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please bring your Bible along. For further details please contact Anil Baptist on 0223649306 or anilbaptist@gmail.com.

Children’s Mass- We would like to extend a special invitation to all guardians & parents with children to attend our monthly Children's Mass on Saturday, 2nd of August at 6pm. This Mass is specifically tailored for the children, and we encourage you to bring your little ones along.

Ordination for a Permanent Diaconate—our very own Adolf Goldwyn who is one of the catechist for our RCIA will be ordained on Saturday, the **2nd of August at the St Patrick’s Cathedral, 11:00 am**. He will assist in our Parish on Sunday the **3rd of August at the 10:30 am Mass** officially as a Permanent Deacon. This will be followed by a shared lunch. All Welcome

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Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass on Friday 1st August 7:00pm at St Mary’s Parish, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by veneration of St Faustina’s relic. All Welcome.



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Holy Cross Parish Henderson Baptism Program– We welcome families wishing to have their child baptised in our parish. Please note the following requirements: Child must be less than 7 years of age, Parents (or at least one) are Catholics, Parents (or at least one) must attend, Sponsors/Godparents (or at least one) need to attend. A Baptism Preparation Course is held **every 3rd Friday of the month from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm** and facilitated by the Missionaries of Charity Sisters. After attending the course, the Sisters will provide you with a form to email to the Parish Office to arrange a Baptism date . Baptisms are held on Saturdays only, at 10:30 am, 11:30 am, or 12:30 pm. For any inquiries, please contact the Parish Office.

Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time 26th & 27th July 2025					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Margie D'Rozario	Bonita	Vakauta Family	Filipino Community	Katherine Tanginoa
Reader 1:	Chris Mendes	Sabrina Veatupu			Kiara Monterio
Reader 2:	Stephanie Alimagno	Frances Martinez			Danielle Monterio
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Jessica D'Silva	Mike Mckeown			Maria Seufatu
	Maria Alimagno	Ann Mckeown			Sagato Matau,
	Renante Alimagno				Michael Eade
	Dominica Cowan				John Garingo
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark, & Elridge	Soniega Family	Anthony/Men's Fellowship	Filemoni & Celino	Michael Eade / Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Joseph & Sephan	Tito, Amanda	Caroline, Ranessa	Filipino Community	Neil & Feeba
		& Isabel	Lawrence, Frencheska		
Music Ministry:	Indian Group	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family		Legion of Mary
Offertory					
		Cleaning Fiji Community(Friday) St. Vincent de Paul Tongan Community	Flowers Filipino Community	Children's Liturgy Missionaries of Charity Sisters	

Eighteenth Week of Ordinary Time 2nd & 3rd August 2025					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	child	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Paul Aalbers	Tongan Community	Gafatasi Endemann
Reader 1:	child	Savieti Lea	Chris Mendes		Maria de Hoog
Reader 2:	child	Anita Cupta	Gemma Dominques		Jannielle Vafloor
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Lito Padilla	Selesitina Levave	Colleen Aalbers		Malia Seufatu
	Jossie Cueva	Geraldine Sequera	Flor Skinner		Pearl Thomas
	Grace Padilla		Josephine Kim		Neil Fernandes
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		Amanda	Francheska	Niko & Joseph	Ana, Feeba
Music Ministry	Musica Christi	Quiet Mass	Sr Ake & Choir	Tongan Community	Couples for Christ
Offertory					
		Cleaning Couples for Christ Redfern Family Sagote Family Samoan Family	Flowers Tongan Community	Children's Liturgy	