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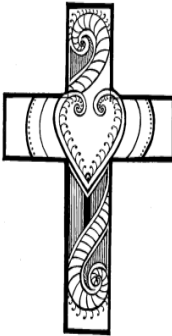
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31st of August 2025 Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

		<p>Responsorial Psalm Ps 68</p> <p>Response: God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor!</p> <p>Mission Statement of Our Parish</p> <p>"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</p> <p>Tuesday & Thursday - 9am</p> <p>Wednesday Morning - 9am</p> <p>Wednesday Evening Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help at 7:10pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm</p> <p>Friday Morning - 9 am</p> <p>First Friday of the month: Blessed Adoration at 6.30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7:30pm</p> <p>Saturday - 8am and 6pm Vigil Mass</p> <p>Sunday - 7am, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm</p> <p>CARING COMMUNITY</p> <p>Drop-in every Tuesday after 9am Mass</p> <p>SACRAMENT OF THE SICK</p> <p>Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 11am followed by a shared lunch</p> <p>20 DECADE ROSARY</p> <p>Wednesday –After 9am Mass</p> <p>RECONCILIATION</p> <p>Wednesday - 6:45pm to 7:15pm. Also by appointment</p> <p>EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT</p> <p>Thursday– After 9am Mass until 12pm</p> <p>MEDITATION</p> <p>Last Friday of the month at 10am</p> <p>BAPTISM COURSE</p> <p>Every 3rd Friday of the month 5:30 pm at pastoral centre</p> <p>BAPTISM SCHEDULE</p> <p>Saturday 10:30am, 11:30am, and 12:30pm</p> <p>HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S MASS</p> <p>Every First Saturday of the Month at 6pm</p> <p>HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S LITURGY CLASS</p> <p>Every Sunday 9:00am and 10:30am Mass</p> <p>FAITH SHARING</p> <p>Every 4th Sunday of the month at 11.45am</p> <p>DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET NOVENA & ROSARY</p> <p>Every 4th Sunday of the month 2pm-3pm</p>																								
<p>Motivations of Love!</p> <p><i>"When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous. " Luke 12:12-14</i></p> <p>This Gospel passage goes to the heart of our motivations in life. Because of our fallen human nature, we can easily do what we do for selfish reasons. We want payment for our labors and acknowledgement for our acts of kindness. We want to get ahead in life and try to elevate ourselves over others. But Jesus makes it clear that our motivation for everything we do must only be the glory of God and the love of others.</p> <p>Reflect, today, upon what motivates you each and every day. Do you think more about yourself when acting or more about God and others? Hopefully you will discover within your motivation a burning desire to serve others and glorify God in everything you do. But where you do see selfishness, know that this motivation can never fulfill you. Humble yourself by turning your attention to the love of God and the needs of others, and make serving them your exclusive mission. Doing so will result in God lavishing upon you more than you could ever imagine.</p> <p>My merciful Lord, You came to earth to serve, not to be served, and to give Your life to others in an act of the most pure and holy love. I open myself to that gift of Your divine love and pray that, as I receive Your love, I may love You and others in the same selfless way . Jesus, I trust in You.</p>																											
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Feast Of St Mother Teresa Of Calcutta will be celebrated on Friday 5th September in our Parish. Mass will begin at 5pm followed by Veneration Of First Class Relic after Mass. Light refreshment in the Pastoral Centre.

First Friday Mass - First Friday Mass will be celebrated on Friday 5th of September, Blessed Adoration will begin at 6.45 pm followed by Mass at 7.30 pm.

Sacramental Program 2025

Confirmation & First Holy Communion— Saturday the 6th of September at 10:30 am (celebrated by Most Reverent Bishop Steve Lowe concelebrated by Fr Ephrem Tigga OFM Cap and Fr Praveen Lobo OFM Cap). ***Let us pray for all 70 candidates that the Holy Spirit guide them and their families in this most special day in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.***

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary—A Mass will be celebrated in commemoration of the nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the 8th of September Monday at 7 pm.

Ministry work—For those who have missed the Parish Training for the Ministers and Altar Server, please make sure that you attend the below refresher training, in order to serve as a minister in our Parish. **Altar Server—**4th of September Thursday at 7 pm; **Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister—**12th of September Friday at 7 pm; **Minister of the Word—**19th of September Friday at 7 pm. Commissioning will be on the 28th of September on all Masses. Only those who have attended the refresher training will get a certificate.

Secular Franciscan Order - Our Lady Help of Christians Fraternity, West Auckland will have their monthly meeting on Sunday the 14th of September at 2 pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre. 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.

Annual General Meeting—of Holy Cross Parish Henderson will be held on Sunday 21st of September from 12:30 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes Glen Eden Parish Hall. This is due to the Parish Hall not being available for use until later next year. This is also a good opportunity to **nominate** someone to be an elected member of the **Parish Pastoral Council**. We encourage young people to inject new blood to the council and help serve the community.

Finance Committee Volunteer—are looking for a Finance Committee Treasurer volunteer for Holy Cross Parish. Please contact the Parish Office if interested.

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Vacancy - Pastoral Coordinator St Patrick & St Joseph Cathedral—The Cathedral wishes to employ a person part-time for 25 hours per week as the parish Pastoral Coordinator. This role is to assist the Cathedral Dean to ensure that the pastoral and administrative needs of the parish are met. The role provides pastoral assistance and is responsible for the coordination of the Parish Education Programmes and assisting with Sunday morning Masses. Applicants should be active Catholics able to partake in the full sacramental life of the church, with theological formation (preferred) and ministerial experience. Good communication, planning and organisation skills are essential. Applicants for this position must have NZ residency or a valid NZ work permit. To view the full advert, position description and how to apply, please visit: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/ **Applications close at 5pm on 4th September 2025.**



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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.**

Twenty Second Week of Ordinary Time 30th & 31st August 2025					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Margie D'Rozario	Jean Soniega	Eric Cueva	Catherine Tanginoa	Gafatasi Endemann
Reader 1:	Ingrid D'Silva	Anita Gupta	Yollanda D'Rozario	Donalyn Dizon	Gavin Colaco
Reader 2:	Michele de Melo	Frances Martinez	Cheryl Sinclair	Loretta Ahio	Sue Ivicevich
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Jessica D'Silva	Selesitina Levave	Piet Bakker	Sagato Matau	Neil Fernandes
		Geraldine Sequera	Grace Padilla	Malia Seufatu	John Galingo
	Tess Alimagno		Lito Padilla	Flor Skinner	Michael Eade
	Renante Alimagno				
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark, & Elridge	Soniega Family	Anthony & Men's Fellowship		Michael Eade / Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Joseph	Tito, Isabel	Caroline, Lawrence	Jordan, Suzzaine,	Lui & Feeba
	Sephan	Amanda	Francheska	Tino & Joseph	Ana & Jacob
Music Ministry:	Indian Group	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Sr Ake & Choir	
Offertory					
		Cleaning Tongan Community	Flowers Fiji Community	Children's Liturgy Missionaries of Charity Sisters	

Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	child	Lydia Ah Kuoi	Janice Borsos	Tongan Community	Legion of Mary
Reader 1:	child	Sabrina Veatupu	Cheryl Sinclair		
Reader 2:	child	Nikolao Whyte	Yollando D'Rozario		
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Angel Cueva	Ann Mckeown	Frank Borsos		
	Jossie Cueva	Mike Mckeown	Pearlie Tomas		
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