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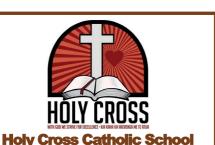


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21st of September 2025 Twenty-fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Responsorial Psalm Ps 113

Response: Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor!

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".

Supernatural Prudence!

And the master commended that dishonest steward for acting prudently. "For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light." Luke 16:8

Obviously, Jesus does not tell this parable because He approves of dishonest and shrewd deception in business practices. Instead, He tells it to illustrate the fact that many people who are motivated by selfishness and worldly goals use the natural gift of prudence with much more zeal than many of the "children of light."

Reflect, today, upon what your list would look like if you were to make it honestly. What do you spend the most time and energy doing? Even if you need to spend most of your time on the ordinary aspects of life, this becomes a holy endeavor when you do it because God is inspiring you to do so. In that case, even the ordinary becomes grace-filled and becomes a way by which you glorify God. The only way for you to know if you are using your time and energies properly is by being open to the gift of supernatural prudence. Pray for that gift today and ask our Lord to more directly order your life so that everything you do is for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

Lord, You are perfect Wisdom; You are Prudence Itself. Please flood my mind and will with Your divine presence and fill me with a desire to make Your perfect will the central mission of my life. Please help me to know how to order my days so that everything I do gives You glory and works toward the salvation of souls, beginning with my own.

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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 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

PREFERENCE SIGNING

Every 1st, 2nd, and 4th Tuesday from 11 am to 12 pm only

Readings This Sunday

First: Amos 8: 4-7 **Psalm**: 113

Second: I Tim 2: 1-8 Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Readings Next Sunday

First: Amos 6: 1a, 4-7 **Psalm**: 146

Second: I Tim 6: 11-16 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Scripture Readings for the week

Ps 126	Ezra 1:1-6	Luke 8: 16-18
Ps 122	Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20	Luke 8: 19-21
Tob 13	Ezra 9:5-9	Luke 9: 1-6
Ps 149	Hag 1:1-8	Luke 9: 7-9
Ps 43	Hag 2:1-9	Luke 9: 18-22
Jer 31	Zec 2: 5-9, 14-15a	Luke 9: 43b-45
	Ps 122 Tob 13 Ps 149 Ps 43	Ps 122 Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 Tob 13 Ezra 9:5-9 Ps 149 Hag 1:1-8 Ps 43 Hag 2:1-9

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- Holy Cross Feast Day—the Parish of Holy Cross would like to express our deep gratitude to all who contributed their time and effort to make both the Holy Mass and the shared lunch a big success with a limited time of preparation.
- Ministry work—For those who can not attend the seminar due to having the training at night we will have one last session in the afternoon. Only those who have attended the refresher training will get a certificate and be commissioned to serve.
- 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.
- Holy Cross charismatic fellowship will have their monthly meeting on Monday the 22nd of September at 7pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre. We will be reflecting on Chapter 13 of the Acts of the apostles. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please bring your bible along. For further details please contact Anil Baptist on 022 3649306 or anilbaptist@gmail.com. Thanks and God Bless.
- Holy Cross men's fellowship will have their monthly meeting on Thursday the 25th of September at 7pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre. All men of the parish are welcome to attend. For further information contact George Schuster on 0212080447 or Anil Baptist on 0223649306. Thanks and God Bless.
- Samoan Community Youth Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser Sunday 28th September after the 10.30am mass, to help with end of year activities. Thank you for your support.
- St. Vincent de Paul—A reminder that St Vincent de Paul members will be outside the church accepting donations after all masses this weekend. 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 or Ph 022 687 4694.
- Marriage and Funerals—if you want a marriage or a funeral celebrated at Holy Cross Parish Church Henderson, please email the office and before setting up a date, you will need to speak to the Parish Priest before the celebration will be scheduled. By emailing the Parish Office, we can send you the requirements needed.
- Daylight Savings—Next week Sunday the 28th of September at 2:00 am is Daylight Savings Time and do not forget to move your clock one hour forward.
- Faith Sharing Sunday Our next session will be held on Sun. 28th Sept. at 11.45am (after the 10.30am Mass)

We will commence with a Talk on the Topic of the day, followed by a shared lunch.

Speaker: Fr. Daniel Sitanggang OFM Cap. (Assistant Parish Priest - Holy Cross Parish). Topic: 'Synodality in the Year of Jubilee 2025'. Come and listen to Fr. Daniel speak to us about Synodality and how we manifest it in the Year of Jubilee 2025.....All are welcome!

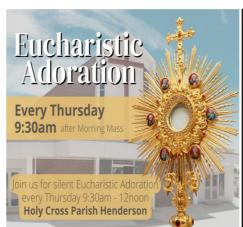
For further details please contact the Parish Office on 09 835 3355

(A Secular Franciscan Order Initiative)

Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope—Holy Cross Parish Henderson, together with the OFS (Secular Franciscan Order), is preparing something truly special! This 22nd of November, we are planning a Parish Pilgrimage to St Patrick's Cathedral as part of our Jubilee celebrations. All parishioners are warmly invited to take part in this grace-filled journey of faith and fellowship.



Holy Cross Seminary would like to invite all parishioners to the Diaconate Ordination of Ryan Sy, Emilio Capin, Linh Cao Friday, 26 September 2025, 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont Street, Ponsonby. Bishop Michael Gielen will be presiding.



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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 Fifth We	eek of Ordinary Tim	e 20th & 21st Septer	nber 2025		
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :		Bonita	Kiara Monteiro	Tai Asiata	
Reader 1:		Mary Turnwald	Danielle Monteiro	Maria Kumitau	
Reader 2:		Frances Ah Ken	Maria Jose	Donalyn Dizon	
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Secular Franiscan	Geraldine Sequera	Paul Coakley	Filemoni & Maria	Fijian Community
		Selesitina Levave	Jennifer Baptist	Lena San Gabriel	- - -
				Gerry San Gabriel	
			Bernadette B/Bell		
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark, & Elridge	Soniega Family	Men's Fellowship	Filemoni & Celino	Michael Eade / Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Joseph & Sephan	Tito & Isabel	Caroline & Lawrence	Suzainne, Jordan,	Lui, Jacob, Francis
	Liam	Amanda	Frencheska	Tino & Joseph	Feeba, Ana
Music Ministry:	Legion of Mary	Quiet Mass	Lesatele Family	Sr Ake & Choir	Legion of Mary
Offertory					
		Cleaning Secular Franciscans Men's Fellowship Legion of Mary	Flowers Secular Franciscans Men's Fellowship Legion of Mary	Children's Liturgy Missionaries of Charity Sisters	

Twenty Sixth Week of Ordinary Time 27th & 28th September 2025							
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm		
Leader :	Julia Macuja	Jean Soniega	Vakauta Family	Filipino Community	Gafatasi Endemann		
Reader 1:	Amy Macuja	Sabrina Veatupu			Neil Fernandes		
Reader 2:	Stephanie Alimagno	Frances Martinez			Jannielle Vaflor		
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Jessica D'Silva	Mike Mckeown			Maria Seufatu		
	Maria Alimagno	Ann Mckeown			Sagato Matau,		
	Renante Alimagno				Michael Eade		
					John Garingo		
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	Liam	& Isabel	Frencheska, Lawrence	Suzaine & Jordan	Lui & Jacob		
Music Ministry	Indian Group	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	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			