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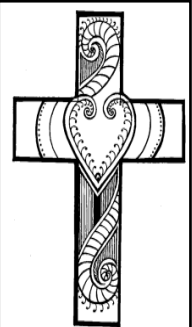
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"If you should fail, be humble, make a resolution to be submissive to God's will and then get up, and carry on"-Padre Pio

26th of October 2025 Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time



Responsorial Psalm Ps 34

Response: The Lord hears the cry of 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".



Justice Through Mercy!

"Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity—greedy, dishonest, adulterous—or even like this tax collector.' " *Luke 18: 10*

When you pray, do you begin your prayer with humility? We begin the Mass by examining our conscience and confessing our sins. This is a good example of how to begin your prayer every time you pray. Humble yourself by calling to mind your sins and weaknesses. Confess them to God and acknowledge the fact that, because of your sins, you are unworthy of God's mercy. Humility like this will help you to see yourself as God sees you, and this will help you open yourself to the grace you need from God to grow in holiness.

Reflect, today, upon the humility found in the prayer of this tax collector. As you do, look at your own practice of prayer and discern whether you imitate this tax collector's disposition and prayer. Try to commit to physically humbling yourself before our Lord every day. Kneel, bow your head, or fall down prostrate every day. When you do pray, beg for mercy as one who doesn't deserve anything from God. This is the humble truth on which all prayer must be based. The more you can humble yourself this way, the more God will lift you up and pour forth His mercy upon you.

O God, be merciful to me, a sinner. I bow before You, most glorious and merciful God. I offer You my praise and gratitude for Your abundant mercy in my life. I am not worthy of You and Your grace, but You bestow it anyway. For that I thank You with profound gratitude and beg for the ongoing gift of Your grace. Jesus, I trust in You .

Readings This Sunday

First: Sirach 35: 12-14, 16-18
Psalm: 34
Second: 2 Tim 4: 6-8, 16-18
Gospel: Luke 18: 9-14

Readings Next Sunday

First: Wisdom 3: 1-9
Psalm: 34
Second: Rom 5: 5-11
Gospel: John 6: 37-40


Scripture Readings for the week


	Ps	Rom	1 John	1 Thes	Luke	Jn
Monday	Ps 68	Rom 8: 12-17			Luke 13: 10-17	
Tuesday	Ps 19	Eph 2: 19-22			Luke 6: 12-16	
Wednesday	Ps 13	Rom 8: 26-30			Luke 13: 22-30	
Thursday	Ps 109	Rom 8: 31b-39			Luke 13: 31-35	
Friday	Ps 147	Rom 9: 1-5			Luke 14: 1-6	
Saturday	Ps 24	Rev 7: 2-4, 9-14	1 John 3: 1-3		Mat 5: 1-12a	
Sunday	Ps 27	Isa 25: 6a, 7-9	1 Thes 4: 13-14, 18		Jn 11: 21-27	

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Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope—Join Our Parish Pilgrimage to the Cathedral of St. Patrick and St. Joseph! Pilgrims of Hope – Jubilee Year 2025. Step into this sacred journey of faith! On Saturday, 22nd November, our parish community will travel together to the Cathedral of St. Patrick and St. Joseph for a special Pilgrimage of Hope as part of the Jubilee Year celebrations.

We’ll journey by bus to the Cathedral, process through the Holy Door together, and celebrate a beautiful Mass as one family of faith. After Mass, we’ll share in fellowship with light refreshments before returning home — renewed, grateful, and filled with grace.





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Tickets are now sold out. You can still attend the Mass but will not be accommodated in the Hall if you do not have a ticket. Discounted parking is available at Wilsons Hobson Street Car Park uses Pay by Plate machines or Wilsons Durham Lane Car Park To reduce the \$15 parking fee to \$3.50 for 3hrs by validation. You can download the Cathedral Car park map by scanning this QR Code.

Columban Calendar 2026— is now on sale in the Parish office for \$13. Avail of your limited copy now, before it is sold out. It is a good gift for Christmas.

St. Vincent de Paul—Over the past month, your prayers & monetary support, helped create 29 food parcels - that's a smile on the dial of 29 adults & 5 children across Henderson & neighbouring communities. 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 or Ph 022 687 4694 for your receipt.

All Souls Day—There is a purple box to put the names of your beloved who have gone to their rest. The box will come with the offering every weekend Mass on November.

Last trainings for the Leaders and readers—will be on the Thursday of the 30th of October at 6 pm. For those who wish to be a Minister of the Word, please do not miss this training session as this will be the last training. Anyone who has not attended any of the courses will not be rostered even on the community Masses.

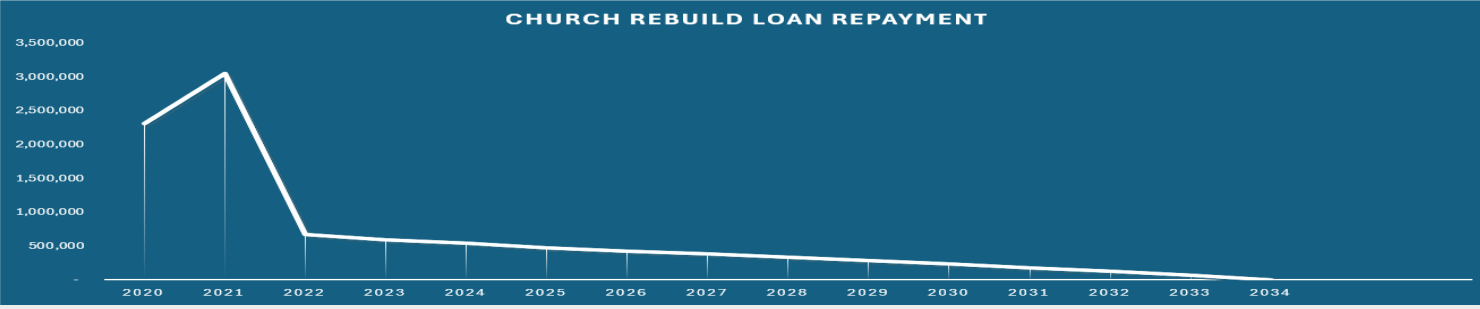
Last trainings for the Extra-ordinary Minister of the Eucharist and to the sick— is on Tuesday 28th of October after the morning Mass. Again, please do not miss this training session as this will be the last training. Anyone who has not attended any of the courses will not be rostered even on the community Masses.

Mass for the Dead Readings—2nd of November 2025 **1st Reading:** Isaiah 25: 6a, 7-9; **Psalms 27;** **2nd Reading:** 1 Thessalonian 4: 13-14, 18; **Gospel Acclamation:** John 11:25a-26; **Gospel:** John 11:21-27

Note: In March 2025, the Diocese and Holy Cross signed an agreed Loan Repayment Schedule.

With the agreed repayment terms, the Church Rebuilding Loan will be paid by November 2034.

LOAN AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE			
ENTER VALUES		LOAN SUMMARY	
Loan amount	\$500,453.03	Scheduled payment	\$2,500.00
Annual interest rate	5.00%	Scheduled number of payments	254
Loan period in years	9.75	Actual number of payments	253
Number of payments per year	26	Total early payments	\$0.00
Start date of loan	27/03/2025	Total interest	\$132,050.69
Optional extra payments	LENDER NAME		



Faith Sharing Sunday - Our next session will be held on Sun. 26th October 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: Sam Brebner (Manager of the Diocesan Ministries to Young People). Topic: **‘Light in the Dark: Living our Catholic faith in the face of peer pressure, bullying and the challenges of today’**. Come and listen to Sam speak to us the challenges of the youth coping with the pressure of standing up and bullying.....

All are welcome! For further details please contact the Parish Office on 09 835 3355

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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.**

Thirtieth Week of Ordinary Time 25th & 26th October 2025					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Anora D'Coata	Bonita Smith	Janice Borsos	Margie del Rosario	Gafatasi Endemann
Reader 1:	Gavin Colaco	Mary Turnwald	Cheryl Sinclair	Maria Kunitau	Nikolao Whyte
Reader 2:	Amy Macuja	Frances Ah Ken	Maria Jose	Jacinta Lemana	Tanya DSouza
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Miguel Padilla	Winnie Veikoso	Chantal Sieglar	Melitta Cadelis	Beatrice Wilsor
	Grace Padilla	Geraldine Sequera	Frank Borsos	Maria Faleusu	Pamela D'Souza
	Jasmine Prem Kumar		Piet Bakker	Ngalo'afe Nau	Rebecca James
	Prem Joseph				
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark, & Elridge	Soniega Family	Men's Fellowship	Filemoni & Celino	Michael Eade / Floccy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Joseph Seo	Isabel de Jesus	Caroline Cibi	Jordan Solomon	Feeba Corray
	Zephan Saldanha	Amanda de Jesus	Frencheska Perlas	Joseph Uale	Jacob Alabastro
	Liam Kim	Isabel de Jesus	Lawrence Lolesio	Keyondre Uale	Lui Alabastro
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	

All Saints 1st November & Commemoration of the Faithful Departed 2nd November 2025					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 10.30am	Sun 6pm
Leader :	Child	Lydia Ah-kuoi	Paul John Aalbers	Sr Ake Nun Toon	Sr Ake Nun Toon
Reader 1:		Seprina Veatupu	Brigid Ann McGrath	Charmaine Ouano	Nikolao Whyte
Reader 2:		Anita Gupta	Colleen Aalbers	Yolanda D'Rosario	Sue Ivceovich
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Jasmine Prem Kumar	Michael Mckeown	Clare Connolly	Malia Veatupu	Mary Sarunija Mohan
	Prem Joseph	Ann Mckeown	Paul Coakley	Danielle Monteiro	Helan Roy
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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	