# AGM 2025

# HOLY CROSS PARISH

**HENDERSON** 

21<sup>ST</sup> OF SEPTEMBER 2025

(OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH HALL)

# HOLY CROSS PARISH HENDERSON 2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### **Agenda**

Date: 21 September 2025

Meeting - 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm

Time: Light Tea straight after the meeting

Venue: AGM – Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall

- 1. Attendance registration
- 2. Opening prayer
  - . Fr. Ephrem Tigga OFM, Cap. (Parish Priest)
- 3. Apologies
- 4. Priests' addresses
  - . Fr. Ephrem
  - Fr. Daniel Sitanggang OFM, Cap (Asst. Parish Priest)
- 5. PPC chairman's report
  - . Tai Asiata
- 6. Reports from communities
  - . Liturgy, Safeguarding, Health & Safety
  - . Filipino Community
  - . Fijian community
  - . Samoan Community
  - . Tongan Community
  - . Holy Cross School
  - . Holy Cross Caring Community
  - . St. Vincent de Paul
  - . Secular Franciscan Order
  - . Legion of Mary
  - . Holy Cross Charismatic Fellowship
  - . Holy Cross Men's Fellowship
- 7. Finance report will be reported on the day
- 8. Questions/feedback
- 9. Closing prayer by Fr. Ephrem

#### PRAYER FOR AGM

#### **Annual General Meeting 2025**

#### **Holy Cross Parish Henderson**

#### **Prayer**

Synod prayer to the Holy Spirit
We come before you, Holy Spirit, as we gather together
in Your name. with you alone to guide us, make
Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the
way we must go and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful' do not let us
promote disorder. Do not let ignorance
lead us down the wrong path not
partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity,
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.
All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.
Amen

#### Gospel Luke 16, 10-13

Jesus said to his disciples:

"The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord

#### Prayer for wisdom (Wisdom 9, 1-6. 9-11)

Merciful God of my ancestors, with a word you created all things. In Wisdom you made humankind
To care for you creatures with holiness and justice,
To rule with upright heart.

Give me Wisdom, who sits by your throne.

Never forget I am your child, your servant, born of your handmaid;

Frail, given little time, with limited grasp of your laws.

Yet even someone perfect is nothing

Without the Wisdom that comes from you.

With you is Wisdom.

She knows your works, was there when you made the world.

She sees what you judge as best,

Knows what is right in your commands.

Send her from heaven, from your glorious throne,

To be my companion, to teach me your will.

Her understanding is complete.

She guides me wisely through all I must do,

And guards me with her clear light.

Send Us Your Spirit

#### Refrain:

Come Lord Jesus. Send us your Spirit. Renew the face of the earth. (x2)

Come to us, Spirit of God. Breath in us now. We sing together.

Spirit of hope and of light, fill our lives.

Come to us, Spirit of God. R/

Fill us with the fire of love. Burn in us now. Bring us together.

Come to us: dwell in us. Change our lives, oh Lord. Come to us, Spirit of God. R/

Send us the wings of new birth.

Fill all the earth with the love you have taught us.

Let all creation now be shaken with love. Come to us, Spirit of God. R/

Glory and praise to our God

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Who alone gives light to our days

Many are the blessings He bears

To those who trust in His ways

We the daughters and sons of Him

Who built the valleys and plains

Praise the wonders our God has done

In every heart that sings

Glory and praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days Many are the blessings He bears To those who trust in His ways

In His wisdom He strengthens us Like gold that's tested in fire Though the power of sin prevails Our God is there to save

Glory and praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days Many are the blessings He bears To those who trust in His ways

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#### **PARISH PRIEST REPORT**

Tena koutou, tena koutou katoa. Kia Ora, Nou mai, haere mai, to all the Holy Cross parishioners.

First of all, I would like to thank God for his innumerable blessings to the Holy Cross parishioners, past and present. Thank you for your great hospitality and welcome to me as your parish priest on Sunday, 16th of March 2025. I am so grateful to God and to you all. Thank you for your support, help and collaboration offer to the parish.

This parish is very strong and vibrant in its organization, and in the way of life that you live your daily life in faith. In the field of faith and practice, I am happy to see that there are a few prayer groups, Rosary groups; faith formation groups, like order of Secular Franciscans, Sacrament of Initiation, Children Liturgy at Sunday Mass Baptism programs, Marriage preparation, RCIA, and so on.

Thank you to Missionary Sisters of charity for your every availability for the needs of the parish. Thank you, sisters.

Our social outreach, Vincent de Paul, looking after those who are in need within the community and around. Pastoral care team: Your untiring generosity of time, and hospitality, through which we meet and great, enjoy cup of tea, build our friendship at the fellowship. We look forward to this moment to meet other parishioners.

Liturgical ministries: Ushers, Altar servers, Ministers of the word, Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion, collectors, counters and other volunteers. Your ministry in the church is much appreciated. May God bless your generosity and good will. Thank you, Sr Ake and the team, for leading the liturgy at our celebrations in the parish.

Choirs are the integral part in the participation at the liturgical celebrations and other faith formation activities. It goes long way in healthy faith formation and making the parish vibrant and living. May I thank all the choir members and leaders of the choir for lending your voice to praise and glorify God.

Those who use your own sum to beautify the church, arranging the flowers; the cleaners, individuals, families and groups; I cannot thank you enough for your kindness to see us grow in faith and friendship to Christ by providing a place of worship where we feel at home with the Lord and one another.

May I thank all the volunteers of our parish, especially those who work behind the curtain for your generosity of time, personnel and commitment. Without you, parish would be a poorer one.

Finance Committee offers service to the community by providing financial support for all the activities and development that meet our parish need. I am grateful to have efficient volunteers to look after our finance system. I offer my grateful thank for your wise input in decerning in decision making and thus you enhance the profile of the parish. Dear

parishioners, without your positive contribution Sunday after Sunday, month after month, year after year, the parish would not be here the way see it standing today. I am indebted to your contribution. May God bless your generosity.

I encourage parishioners to sign in the pledge giving and support our parish development.

Looking forward with hope:

- to have the Church pews and kneelers repurposed to the fitting of the beautiful new Church you have built.
- To see the improvement of the parish hall, the toilet and built?
- Before the next winter, Car Park on the other side of the view road sorted out.

Mrs Florita Tianko, you were one of the beautiful people who would give everything of yourself to see that the money given by the parishioners spent wisely and meaningfully. We are sad to see you go. Thank you for your guidance and support to the parish. But I believe you will be available to share your knowledge with us whenever we need your wise assistant. May God bless you and your family.

Parish Pastoral Council: is the one which gives the parish, Missionary vision and leads step by step to achieve the missionary vision to its logical conclusion. To achieve this Vision, we need strategic plan to set up short term and long-term goals. To fulfil these goals, the parish needs a group of dedicated councillors who are generous, in their time and person, sharing their wisdom and talents to bring new initiatives. And build the parish that is vibrant, and energetic; at the same time welcoming and caring, strong in its faith practice. I am so happy to have you all such a beautiful people in the council.

Thank you to those council members who dedicated their live for the church and now giving way to the new members to bring new initiative to take this parish forward.

May I thank you to all the council members for your contribution to the growth of the parish and the parishioners. Without your dedicated commitment it would not be possible.

I thank God for you and bless all our outgoing members of the team.

Dear parishioners, I encourage your full participation to the growth of the parish. Let us join the program of Reshaping of the Auckland diocese by Bishop Steve. Let our parish be a welcoming, caring and faith formation community, who rejoices at each other's presence, sharing of gifts and celebrating our unity in Christ in diversity. There is an urgent need to look after and give direction to our youth of the parish. Your inputs and leadership will help us a long way to realize this.

May I take time to thank the parish staff warren, Jasmine prem, and David Sutton, and other volunteers who step up to help in our parish administration and running of the parish. You have been wonderful in managing the parish.

The safeguarding officers and health and safety officers making it sure that we are safe and do the right thing. May God bless your families and loved ones.

I would like to thank my Priest brothers, Fr Daniel for his ever ready and well-prepared liturgy, helps the parishioners to strengthen their faith and moral. Hi willing pastoral care around the parish and wherever needed, you are always happy to provide your assistant. May God continue to bless you in your vocation and ministries.

Fr Praveen, you are an added blessing to the parish. You are heartily welcome to the Holy Cross family. Together 3 of us with the parish staff, may we fulfil the mission offered by Jesus Christ in this parish and guided by Bishop Steve as the need of the Holy Cross parish. Without your help, support and cooperation, I would be a "no man in the Island".

May God bless you, peace and joy.

Fr Ephrem Tigga OFM Cap.

**Parish Priest of Holy Cross** 

Henderson



# ASSISTANT PARISH PRIEST PERSONAL REPORT AND REFLECTION ABOUT HOLY CROSS PARISH

Pope Francis, in opening the synod process some years ago, emphasised that all the faithful of God in every unit of the community (archdiocese, diocese, parish, station/substation, family) should continuously develop and increase their sense of "walking together." "Walk together" means encouraging each other, prioritising mutual dialogue, together mitigating and resolving the problems, together discussing any issues of the parish, and together finding solutions.

AGM is the actualisation of Synodality to walk together and listen to each other as a parish. Let us realise that our parish is one of the largest parishes in the Diocese of Auckland. It is a very multi-ethnic, multi-national and diverse background. AGM this year should make us stronger in unity, whanaungatanga, and a sense of belonging to our parish. As we are able to talk to each other, we have to be able to walk together, listen to each other and support each other. We are called to make our parish a parish of joy, where each person (priest, deacon, parishioner) finds the joyful heart when we celebrate our faith together in Jesus Christ. We have had experience some time ago that we were overburdened by some issues: reputation, accountability, credibility, integrity, and pride that we've built looks like gone away. We don't want the same thing to happen again. We have to progress the spirit of Synodality in our parish.

Holy Cross has all the capacity to move forward better and faster. We also never doubt about the human resources of this parish (dedication, integrity, commitment, cooperation, concern, etc). Let us make our parish a parish of joy. We are joyful because we are always available to give. But giving is not only about material giving. It is also about the spirit of service, volunteering to coordinate Mass, to welcome people, to offer hospitality, to teach the faith, and to care for those in need. Saint Francis said, "Let us do once again, because till today we are still doing a very few".

Thank you

Fr Daniel Sitanggang OFM Cap.

**Assistant Parish Priest of Holy Cross** 

Henderson



#### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Kia Ora and welcome, everyone.

This report outlines the progress, challenges, developments, and growth of our Parish since the last AGM.

The Parish has experienced rapid growth, with the number of parishioners continuing to increase. This reflects not only the multicultural nature of our community—welcoming people from many different backgrounds—but also the active participation of both adults and children. We are seeing steady growth and positive development and look forward to continued progress in the near future.

#### **Parish Hall**

In October last year, the Auckland Diocese proposed that our Parish Hall be used by Holy Cross School as temporary classrooms for 16 months, while the school undergoes redevelopment of two new buildings.

This proposal was discussed at Parish Council meetings, and it was agreed that parishioners should have a say. A survey was conducted after all Masses to ask whether the community supported the school's temporary use of the hall. The Parish Council also considered parishioners' concerns, especially given that the hall had been used regularly by various groups, and that we had been fundraising for two years to repair and maintain the hall after storm damage.

Following the survey, the majority supported the proposal, and the hall has been in use by the school since 1st February 2025.

There is financial compensation from the Diocese for the use of the hall, which the Finance Committee will address in their report.

#### **Issues**

The main issue raised since last year has been car parking—especially during the 9:00am and 10:30am Masses. Many people arrive early for the 10:30am Mass, which results in cars blocking the exits for those leaving after the 9:00am Mass. Despite having car park wardens assisting, the problem persists. Some people have even parked in our neighbour's car park, or double-parked, which has led to warnings about potential fines from the council for illegal parking.

This has raised serious health and safety concerns. The issue has been discussed at Parish Council meetings, and it was agreed that the Parish Priest would consult with the Bishop about whether a change in Mass times might help alleviate the parking congestion.

A survey was conducted focusing on the 9:00am and 10:30am Masses, offering options to either move the 9:00am Mass to 8:30am or shift the 10:30am Mass to 11:00am. The majority of parishioners from both Masses voted to move the 10:30am Mass to an 11:00am start.

Further discussions on this are currently on hold until we receive guidance from the Bishop.

#### **Clergy and Vocations**

This year, there have been some changes in our clergy, with several priests being reassigned to other parishes.

A special highlight this year is the commissioning of one of our own parishioners, Deacon Adolf Goldwyn—a proud and joyous milestone for our community.

Our Parish Priest will provide more details on these changes in his report.

#### **Parish Events and Celebrations**

Throughout the year, we've continued to celebrate and grow together as a Parish. Various groups— Caring Committees, prayer groups, and cultural communities—have actively supported and served the Parish in many ways.

Just last Sunday, we celebrated our Parish Feast Day, with a beautiful lunch provided after the 10:30am Mass.

#### **Acknowledgements**

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all the groups and individuals who dedicate their time and energy to support our Parish, our Priests, and one another.

A special thank you to our Office Staff for their excellent work, and to the Finance Committee for their diligent stewardship of our finances.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank our PPC members, the committee and all our Parish Priests, Sr Akenese, Deacon Adolf and Brother Mathew for your dedication and your continuous service within our Parish.

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Tai Asiata

(PPC Chairperson)

#### LITURGY CO ORDINATOR REPORT

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!"

I would like to start my report by thanking all the volunteers who served in the various ministries over the last few years.

Parish Liturgy Committees Priorities in Parish Liturgical life:

- Weekly Sunday Eucharist
- Christmas Celebration
- The Triduum
- Other Feasts and Season
- Parishioners with Special Needs
- The Celebration of the Sacraments
- Weekday Masses, Weekly Novena,
- Weekly Adoration, monthly Faith Sharing, weekly Rosary
- The Private Devotional Prayer Life of the Parish.

#### **Liturgy Committee Members 2025:**

Fr Ephrem Tigga (Parish Priest), Fr Daniel Sitanggang (Assist. Parish Priest), Sr Akenese Nun Toon (Liturgy Coordinator)

Warren Herrera (Secretary), Lloyd de Melo (Assist Co-ordinator), Jane Thomsen (Sacristan), Savieti Lea (Sacristan), Tai Asiata Music (Coordinator), Mario Tionko (Technical Coordinator)

Our Parish holds five Masses every Sunday and all those Masses are well supported and well attended. Our Parish is flourishing and very much alive. I would like to thank all those from our Parish community for their support and their participation in all our liturgies, Easter ceremonies, Christmas service, important Feast days, outside processions like Palm Sundays,

Good Friday, acting out the Stations of the Cross and all parish celebrations.

Every Thursday morning there is an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament straight after 9am Mass till 12noon. Fourth Sunday of the month we have Faith Sharing organised by the Secular Franciscan Order. Every 3rd Tuesday at 11am we have the Sacrament of the sick followed by lunch. Thanks to Phylis and the Caring group. Every Wednesday after Mass there's a faithful group reciting 20 decades of the Rosary. Every Wednesday evening there's a Novena thanks to Mario and the Filipino group for organising that followed by Holy Eucharist. Also, the Priest makes himself available for Confession.

Here are some Special Celebrations we marked this year:

#### **Matariki Celebration:**

On 20th of June 2025, we celebrated Matariki with a special Holy Eucharist. Mass was well attended and my special thanks to Mario, Jasmine and Warren for their help in the preparation of the liturgy. This was followed by hot soup and buns.

#### **Corpus Christi:**

The body and blood of Christ on Sunday 22nd June. We started with the procession of the Blessed Sacrament at 10.30am around the school ground and back to church. Big number of Parishioners joined the procession.

Again, thanks to those who volunteer to carry the canopy. Thank God it didn't rain.

#### Sunday 13th of July 10:30 am Mass

- Bro. Matthew's renewal of vows went off well. It was a great celebration and again
   Mass was well attended.
- Delicious food was shared after the Eucharist, and it was great to see so many people joining Brother Matthew and his family and friends mingling and enjoying the lovely feast. Thanks to so many who brought food for the occasion.

#### **Funerals, Weddings, Anniversaries**

Our Parish is well used by old and past Parishioners to celebrate weddings, funerals, anniversaries and birthdays. It is great to see them returning home to their Catholic roots.

#### **Grandparents' special day**

26th of July we celebrated the Feast of St Joachim and St Anne (Grandparents of Jesus)

Grandparents received a special blessing from the Priests at all five Masses.

#### **Ordination of Adolf Goldwyn**

- Ordination of Adolf Goldwyn as a permanent Deacon was held at the Cathedral on Saturday 2nd of August 2025 at 11 am along with three others.
- Our parish gifted him with a stole and dalmatic
- 3rd of August at the 10:30 am Mass here at Holy Cross Henderson Deacon Adolf assisted, Fr Daniel celebrating this Holy Eucharist. He was also congratulated by the parishioners. It was a lovely occasion and great to have his mother and family from overseas to witness this special occasion.
- Special thanks to the Parish for providing the delicious lunch.

#### **Altar Servers**

We have 20 active Altar Servers who serve at our five Masses every Sunday. My big thank you to these children for being so faithful and committed to their ministry.

I would also like to thank Br Matthew Joy for helping and supporting these children during Mass.

#### **Sacramental Programme**

The Registration for the 2025 Sacramental Programme started in March and closed on 30th April. This programme was organised by the Sisters of Charity with the help of some teachers from Holy Cross School.

Parents Information Evening was very successful in setting the tone and expectations for the programme and meeting the parents.

This year 85 candidates are to receive Confirmation and First Holy Communion. The day of Confirmation and First Holy Communion is Saturday morning 6th September 2025. Bishop Steve Lowe will be celebrating these two Sacraments assisted by Fr Ephrem Tigga.

Big thank you to the Sisters of Charity and their helpers for preparing these children.

#### **Sunday Mass time to change**

To accommodate the logistics of getting people in and out of the 9 & 10.30 Masses it is necessary to the time of the Mass. To support this change a survey was carried out amongst the usual attendees of these Masses. At time of writing this report we are awaiting confirmation of the change from the Bishop Steve Lowe the Bishop of Aukland.

#### **Holy Cross Parish Feast Day**

On Sunday 14th September 2025 we will celebrate our Parish feast day with a special Eucharist followed by an ethnic food festival as a fundraiser to support the parish.

A huge thank you to all our Priests who work tirelessly to serve our spiritual and temporal needs.

In the words of our church leaders 'the late Pope Francis and Leo 14th'

We are called to be kind and compassionate to one another.

Sr. ake i) cui Jeon

#### HOLY CROSS PARISH FILIPINO COMMUNITY

#### **ACTIVITIES IN 2024:**

- Continued to lead the Rosary and Novena prayers in honour of Our Mother of Perpetual Help every Wednesday and provided Music to the 7:30pm Mass following the Novena.
- 2) Continued to organise the needs/requirements for the fourth Sunday 10:30am Mass at Holy Cross Parish.
- 3) Commissioned new Filipino Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist as part of our continuing initiatives to invite more Filipinos to join the Choir Group, become Ministers of the Word, Mass Leader, Ministers of the Eucharist and Altar Server.
- 4) Provided continuous financial support for the Holy Cross Church rebuilding loan repayment.
- 5) Continued to recruit new members for the Youth and Adult choir group.
- 6) Continued to encourage Filipinos around West Auckland to go to Holy Cross Parish Masses.
- 7) Supported various Parish activities throughout the year.
- 8) Provided Music for 1st Friday Novena and Mass.
- 9) Provided music for Holy Thursday Mass.
- 10) Provided financial support to the Holy Cross Parish Seminarian in the Philippines.
- 11) Provided Filipino representatives to Parish Pastoral Council, Finance and Liturgy Committees.
- 12) Provided technical support and maintenance of Holy Cross Parish.

#### **PLANNED NEW INITIATIVES FOR 2025**

- 1) To encourage the participation of more Filipino children/youth in various activities of the Parish.
- 2) To continuously review the Filipino Community involvement and commitment in the Planned Giving programme of the Parish.
- 3) To encourage more Filipinos to get involved in the Liturgical Services of the Parish.
- 4) To encourage more support for the Holy Cross Church maintenance and Building Fund Appeal.
- 5) To actively support the Parish fund raising programme.
- 6) To continuously provide financial support to the Holy Cross Capuchin Seminarian.
- 7) To continuously provide Filipino representative(s) to Parish Pastoral Council.
- 8) To continuously provide support in the administration of the Parish.
- 9) To continuously provide technical support and maintenance of Holy Cross Parish.

**REPORTED BY: Madelene Warren (Holy Cross Parish Filipino Community Representative)** 

## Auckland Fiji Catholic Community

#### Introduction

This report outlines the key events and activities of the Fijian Catholic Community from August 2024 to September 2025. It highlights our spiritual journey, community engagement, cultural celebrations, and continued alignment with the Ethnic Chaplaincy guidelines under the Auckland Archdiocese.

#### 1. Visitations & Pastoral Care

As a community, we remain deeply considerate of our members during times of loss and celebration. This year, we have extended our pastoral care through visitations to members who have lost loved ones, offering prayers, emotional support, and a presence of solidarity in their grief. Similarly, we've celebrated the births of new children in our community with special visitations, prayers, and blessings for newborns and their families.

#### 2. Sports Events & Community Engagement

Our community continues to encourage active participation in sports, fostering unity and friendship. The various sporting events have allowed members to come together in a spirit of teamwork and camaraderie. These events not only promote physical well-being but also strengthen the bonds within our community.

#### 3. Community Singing at Parishes

We had the privilege of participating in community singing at two parishes: Holy Cross Parish and St. Paul's Massey. These events have allowed us to contribute to the spiritual atmosphere of the masses, bringing together both the younger and older generations to celebrate our faith through music.

#### 4. Alignment with Ethnic Chaplaincy Guidelines

In line with our commitment to the broader Auckland Catholic community, the Fijian Catholic community has aligned itself with the Ethnic Chaplaincy guidelines. A key development this year was the transition of our financial accounts under the Auckland Archdiocese, ensuring greater transparency and accountability in our operations.

#### 5. Cultural Celebrations

We continue to be an active presence in the wider cultural celebrations, both religious and national. Notable events included:

- Fiji Day: A celebration of Fijian culture, heritage, and identity.
- Diwali: A festive occasion shared with the Indian Community, fostering interfaith understanding. We have rebranded the Event as being "Christ is our Light".
- Christian Religious Festivals: Participation in Christmas and Easter services, along with other religious observances, allowed us to reinforce our faith while embracing cultural diversity.

#### 6. West Divine Mercy Silver Jubilee

Last year marked the Silver Jubilee of the West Divine Mercy Prayer Group, celebrating 25 years of spiritual devotion and community service. We now look forward to our 26th year, continuing our journey of prayer, outreach, and spiritual growth.

#### 7. Christmas Eve & Easter Vigil Singing

Our choir had the honour of singing during the Christmas Eve Mass and Easter Vigil services at Holy cross Parish. These moments of worship provided a beautiful opportunity for the community to reflect on the birth and resurrection of Jesus Christ through the gift of music.

#### 8. Election of New Leadership Group

At this year's AGM, a new leadership group was elected, bringing fresh ideas and perspectives to guide the community forward. The election process was carried out in accordance with the guidelines, ensuring transparency and inclusivity.

#### 9. Evolving Ex-Student Groups

The community has also seen the formation of evolving groups of Ex-Students from Fiji Catholic Schools, particularly from Marist Brothers High School and St. Thomas High School. These alumni groups come together once a year to participate in religious and cultural activities, contributing to the spiritual and cultural fabric of our community.

#### 10. Regular Spiritual Activities

Our group continues to be deeply committed to our spiritual life. The following events remain staples in our calendar:

- Novena & Rosary: Held every fortnight, these prayer sessions provide an opportunity for personal reflection and communal prayer.
- Mass: Regular Sunday Mass services continue to foster spiritual nourishment and fellowship within the community.

#### 11. Recent Sacramental Celebrations

This year, we celebrated the Holy Communion and Confirmation sacraments at Holy Cross Church. These important milestones in our young members' faith journeys were met with great joy and reverence by both the families involved and the broader community.

#### 12. Participation in Ethnic Chaplaincy Festival & Fundraising

Our community also played an active role in the Ethnic Chaplaincy Festival, contributing to the success of this important event. We also participated in several fundraising initiatives to support the ongoing work of the Auckland Archdiocese, as well as local community projects.

#### 13. Outreach Programmes

Our community's outreach efforts continue to grow through the three main prayer groups:

- West Divine Mercy Prayer Group
- Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group
- Mandali Group

These groups provide spiritual support, prayer, and practical assistance to those in need within the wider Auckland Fijian Catholic community.

#### 14. Fundraising Efforts at Holy Cross

Our fundraising initiatives at Holy Cross Church have been instrumental in supporting both local and diocesan projects. These efforts have allowed us to continue to maintain our community space and fund important outreach programs.

#### 15. Church Cleaning & Decorations

As a continued act of service, members of our community have remained dedicated to church cleaning and decorating with flowers, ensuring that the church remains a beautiful and welcoming space for worship. These acts of service are a testament to the commitment and faith of our members.

#### Conclusion

As we look back over the past year, we celebrate the many milestones that have shaped our community's spiritual journey. From the birth of new members to the passing of loved ones, our community continues to support one another with love and faith. The ongoing participation in cultural events, religious observances, and service activities reflects our dedication to fostering a vibrant, united, and faithful community.

We thank all members, volunteers, and supporters for their dedication and look forward to another year of growth and service.

#### Acknowledgments

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to the leadership, volunteers, and members of the Fijian Catholic community for their ongoing support, prayers, and commitment to our shared mission. We also acknowledge the support for the Priests of Holy Cross Parish and our Chaplin Father Pio Fong for the continuous support for our little Faith Community.

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## Samoan Catholic Community

Updates & Events: August – November 2025

#### \* August Highlights

10th August - Samoa Community Feast Day

10:30am Mass at Holy Cross, followed by lunch with our Parish Priests and Sr Ake at the RSA Swanson. A beautiful celebration of faith, culture, and fellowship.

15th August – Bingo Fundraiser <sup>♥</sup> Kelston Community Centre

Thank you to all who supported our fundraiser – your generosity helps strengthen our mission and support our youth.

#### **September Events**

Saturday, 13th September – Community Day at Holy Cross

- 1:00pm Monthly Community Meeting
- 2:00pm Choir Practice
- 6:00pm Father's Day Social at Malaeola

Sunday, 14th September - Holy Cross Feast Day Mass

10:30am Mass

Our Samoan community will be leading the celebration – all are welcome!

#### **October Events**

5th October (Sunday) – Combined Youth Day 

↑ Malaeola | 

10:30am Mass

Led by our amazing Samoa Youth – celebrating unity in faith and service.

12th October (Sunday) - Sunday School Celebration

₱ Holy Cross | 
₱ 10:30am Mass

18th October (Saturday) - Sunday School Exam

Holy Cross Primary School

27th October (Monday) - Sunday School Prizegiving

Kelston Community Centre

#### Looking Ahead – November 2025

Jubilee Year Celebrations – Rome, Italy

₹ 5 representatives from our Samoan Community will be travelling to Rome, joining 60 other representatives from Malaeola, to take part in the Jubilee Year Celebrations.

Please keep them in your prayers as they represent our community on the global stage.

#### **Tongan Community Report**

Youth - Our youth was re-formed after years of inactiveness. Their completed work for 2024 were:

#### 2024

#### Youth

- Holy Cross Parish Station of the Cross performance
- Mother's Day celebration
- Auckland Tongan Catholic Youth Camp
- World Youth Day Auckland
- West Zone Tongan Catholic Youth Game Night
- First of the Month Tongan Community Music for 10:30am Mass
- Ticket Fundraiser ECL (Sunday School)
- Every Sunday ~4pm
- West Zone dance performance
- West Zone Mass Tongan Community
- Elected a new secretary from our youth for the community
- Holy Cross Food Fair
- First of the Month Holy Cross 10:30am Mass
- Flowers for the church
- End of year Choir Night
- End of year celebration led by our youth

#### 2025 - Jubilee Year of Hope

#### Youth

- West Zone Tongan Catholic Youth Game Night
- Auckland Tongan Catholic Youth Pilgrimage to Hokianga
- Spiral of Life Activity
- Walking Pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Assumption, Onehunga
- Auckland Tongan Catholic Youth Choir Day
- Monthly Meeting with the Auckland Tongan Catholic Youth ECL (Sunday School)
- Every Sunday ~4pm @ Holy Cross School Classroom
- Auckland Chaplaincy Tongan ECL combined Mass with Bishop Steve Tongan Community
- Theme Pilgrim Year of Hope
  - Sub-topics: looking after the environment, nurturing relationships, caring for the need
- Station of the cross every Thursday evening during Lent
- Walking pilgrimage from Mangere Bridge to Our Lady of the Assumption,
   Onehunga

- Youth Pilgrimage to Hokianga
- Weekly Novena to the sacred heart of Jesus during the month of June
- Elected a new choir conductor from our community and our youth.
- Auckland Tongan Chaplaincy Community Choir Day
- Flowers for the parish church / cleaning
- Monthly Meeting after 10:30am Mass first Sunday of the month
- Choir rehearsals as often as we can with our new choir conductors
- Rubbish Collection volunteer work
- Health Workshop led by our Youth

The past year we have had few changes in our community with people leaving and people joining but we have been determined to continue our fellowship and support of the parish. Our youth are doing an amazing job at volunteering for both the parish and our chaplaincy, in roles and work. We do not have many Sunday school children this year, but the few that we do have are currently in the Sunday school every Sunday.

Our choir has had to make a few changes this year, and we are thankful that one of our community members and his family stepped up and helped with our choir, with the help of Les for our monthly holy cross music for Mass.

#### Holy Cross Catholic School Report to Parish AGM 2025

2025 has seen our school roll maintain the high numbers from 2024, and we expect to finish the year with approximately 470 students by the end of Term 4. We have had to open six Year 1 classes this year. Five of these are currently in the hall, and the sixth will open next term in the old classroom beside the new build.

The hall was beautifully refurbished by the Catholic Diocese of Auckland and has provided a pleasant, calm learning environment for the five teachers and 85 children based there. We sincerely thank the Parish for agreeing to allow the school to use the hall during the building of the first new block. The build is currently running to schedule, and we expect to move in around late February. Our second new build—the block across the front of the school—is due to come down in March.

Teachers have been very busy implementing the new Literacy and Mathematics Curriculum, and our students have continued to make pleasing progress.

On our School Board, we have renewed the four Bishop's Representatives, who are required to be members of the Parish. Bishop Steve approved the appointment of Father Ephrem, Bing de Jesus, and Danielle Lesatele (a past pupil and now a parent in the school), along with the reappointment of Peter Turnwald for a second term. We also held an election for three parent representatives. At the time of writing, the results of this election were not yet known.

This year we have continued to hold class Liturgies in classrooms, and these have been most successful. All students, from five-year-olds to twelve-year-olds, have the opportunity to take an active role in the Liturgy, and parent attendance has been outstanding. We have also continued to celebrate whole-school Masses in the Church, led by Father Ephrem.

We are grateful for the strong relationship we share with the Parish and welcome any suggestions on how we might further strengthen this special partnership. We are particularly excited to have Father Ephrem join our Board, helping to deepen the bond between Parish and School.

**Janice Borsos** 

**Principal** 

#### **Holy Cross Caring Community**

Holy Cross Caring Community continues to quietly cater for some of the social needs of the Senior Parishioners.

DROP IN is held in the Pastoral Centre each Tuesday morning following the 9.00am mass. This morning tea is well attended with an average of 30-50 people attending. This commences on the first Tuesday of February and continues until the last Tuesday of November. Thank you to all the Caring team who generously give their time in making everyone welcome.

THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING: This is held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month and is followed by a shared luncheon in the Pastoral Centre. This is also well attended averaging 40-50 people though less in the winter months. Thank you to our Friars who come and give us this very special anointing.

FUNERALS: We continue to cater for these if requested for Parish members. Due to the hall not being available for use we have only been able to cater for small funerals 50 people or less. These are held in the Pastoral Centre. This year we catered for funerals of Jack Beresdord and Neville Boyle.

WESTERN DEANERY: Morning tea and lunch for the Friars and Priests in the Western Deanery. 11-15 catered for.

We are involved in the First Holy Communion/Confirmation, Faith Sharing Sunday, Secular Franciscans, Wednesday evening bread run with SVDP, Parish Food Fair, Feast Days, Friars and Parishioners birthdays, Anniversaries and any other Parish functions we are asked to help.

We hold 2 raffles during the year Easter and Christmas. All funds raised are put back into the Parish. The kitchen appliances in our Pastoral Centre were all bought from funds raised by our Caring Committee. Dishwasher, stove, pie warmer, air fryer, fridge and vacuum cleaners, tablecloths tea towels and many other things.

We cater for two Senior's luncheon during the year. Due to the school using our hall being out of use we have had to put these events on hold. We are in the process of planning our Senior's Christmas Luncheon for this year in the Pastoral Centre These events are well attended 90 - 100 people. We involve our Holy Cross pupils at these events.

Our thanks go to the Friars, the Parish staff, Holy Cross School, our wonderful committee, helpers, dish washers and bakers. Without you we would not be able to serve our Parish. We continue to be on the lookout for those who are willing to volunteer time in assisting us to serve our parish.

Phyllis Godwin: Chairperson of the Holy Cross Caring Community

Verena Slutter: Treasurer Holy Cross Caring Community
Nancy Menezes: Secretary Holy Cross Caring Community



#### **Report of Activities**

Holy Cross Conference, Henderson

The Year was generally all about the regular activities recurring on a daily, weekly and fortnightly basis as follows:

#### Invite to other community leaders.

Is there someone in your community who is struggling and is need of a food parcel?

If the Vinnies can help, please forward the details to us

Email directly to henderonsvdp@gmail.com

Or Phone or text 022 687 4694.

We will need the below information, please.

- Name and address of person
- Cell Phone number
- Number of adults and children and genders/ ages
- If they have cats or dogs.

#### Activities for the last year

- 160 food parcels for 300 adults and 227 children
- All Food parcel deliveries are delivered per Vinnies Policy.
- Daily and Weekly bread collection from Baker's Delight at Pt Chev and Pak N Save (Alderman Drive)
- Weekly Trips to clear the food donation box at Pak N Save
- Church Cleaning.
- Shopping for stock items for the foodbank
- Bread bagging for Wednesday evening Masses and weekday/ weekend Masses
- Helping with the Baptist Church community meals
- Holding of Fortnightly meetings (1st and 3rd Mondays)
- Visiting Rest Homes.

#### Report prepared by:

#### **Michael Eade**

#### **President**



## Secular Franciscan Order

Our Lady Help of Christians Fraternity – West Auckland

Our Spiritual Assistant Fr. Daniel Sitanggang OFM Cap. attends all our monthly fraternity meetings and gives us a 10-minute talk, always of relevance and depth.

Two candidates completed their one year of Formation and were Professed into the OFS in June last year. We currently have 5 candidates in Formation, studying for their final Profession into the Order.

Our West Auckland Fraternity was blessed with a Pastoral & Fraternal Visitation from the National Executive in May 2025, at which the 3-yearly elections were held. A new council was elected to serve the fraternity until 2028.

#### Common Ministries (Apostolates)

- Mother of Divine Mercy Women's Refuge Avondale Donation of Breakfast items every month
- Missionaries of Charity Glen Eden Donation of Cleaning Products every month.
- Parish and Diocesan Ministries:
- Sacristan Duties
- Lawn mowing & gardening
- Ministers of the Word
- Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
- Holy Communion to the sick
- Church cleaning
- Leading daily Rosary before Mass
- Leading a 20-decade Rosary once a week
- Helping with Eucharistic Adoration
- Leading daily Stations of the Cross in Lent
- Helping the Caring Community with Tuesday morning tea and the monthly Sacrament of the Sick
- Bread run with SSVdP
- PPC membership.

Fraternity meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of every month in the Pastoral Centre at Holy Cross Parish. Our meetings are 25% business and 75% spiritual, exploring the life and teaching of St. Francis of Assisi and subsequent Franciscan teachers.

The fraternity enjoys the close relationship it has with the OFM Cap. in Henderson and the OFM Friars in Hillsborough as well as fostering relationships with our Anglican Franciscan brothers and sisters on a day of formation, once a year. Members join the other Auckland fraternities for a formation day in Orewa, Mt. Roskill, and Henderson thrice a year.

**Faith Sharing Sunday** – This is an OFS outreach to our Parish Community, to provide our parishioners with a platform to learn more about our faith, from authentic sources and to feel comfortable sharing it with others. It provides an opportunity for all groups in the parish to come together once a month for Prayer, Faith sharing, and Fellowship.

This event is held on the 4th Sunday of every month with a different speaker and topic. It has been ongoing for almost 2 years now, and we thank our Parish priest, Fr. Ephrem Tigga OFM Cap., and the Parish Council for their support. Active involvement of other group leaders in the Parish is requested to promote the event and help with hospitality.

Lloyd de Melo OFS

Minister



#### **Gate of Heaven Praesidium**

#### Holy Cross Catholic Church, Henderson

Parish: Holy Cross Catholic Church Henderson

Period Of Report: 2024-2025

Last Reported: July 2024

**Meeting Day and Time:** Tuesdays at 7pm at the Parish meeting room

Names of Officers and Spiritual Director President: Sr. Griselda Baptista

**Vice President:** Sr. Pamela D'Souza

Secretary: Sr. Kimberley Suan

**Treasurer:** Sr. Helan Roy

#### **Membership Profile**

Active: 16 Probationary: 0 Praetorian: 0 Auxiliary: 75

Active members gained/lost since last report:

Gained: 1 Lost: 2

Number of Auxiliaries visited: 26 (with Statue of Our Lady visits)

Code of Conduct: All active members are vetted and have signed Code of Conduct

Methods used to recruit: Personal contact and announcement after mass

#### **Legionary Events and Activities Attended:**

Officers Training Day in July 2024 at Legion of Mary Centre

Marian Day on 5th October 2024 at Our Lady of The Assumption Parish Frank Duff mass in November 2024 at Christ the King Church Pilgrimage to Motuti on 15th-16th March 2025

Acies on 28th March 2025 at Christ the King Church

Auxiliary Day on 31st August 2025 at St Mary's Church Northcote

#### Additional Activities/Events within our Praesidium:

Mass for The Assumption of Our Lady on 15th August 2024 and 2025

Mass for Feast of The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary on 8th September 2024 and 7th

September 2025

#### **Works of Conversion**

- Distribution of rosaries, miraculous, brown scapulars and prayers of the rosary leaflets to parishioners in the month of May 2025
- Pamphlets relating to the Legion of Mary have been distributed to promote more information about our work, activities and types of membership in the month of May 2025
- 3. Teaching at Sacramental Program preparing children for Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Holy Communion
- 4. Children's Liturgy at the Sunday 9am or 10.30am masses

#### **Works of Consolation**

- We pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy Rosary and Rosary prayers before Funeral Services and Funeral Masses at our Parish
- 2. Organised Mass at Tasman rest home which was held every three months in 2024
- 3. Rest home visits at Arran court, Tasman and Roseridge rest homes, Rosary prayers are said at Tasman and Roseridge. During these visits we offer to pray with residents who cannot attend Mass or the Rosary prayers. We also help coordinate any Holy Communion requests with our parish.
- 4. An event that we strive to organise annually and look forward to and done in collaboration with one of our parish's choir groups is Christmas carols singing at rest homes. Last year in December this was held at Arran court and Tasman rest homes
- 5. Visiting sick family members and friends
- 6. Members who are Eucharistic Ministers bring Holy Communion to residents at Tasman rest home and Bloom & Roseridge
- 7. Masses were offered for the deceased Legionaries, St. Louis Marie De Monfort, Frank Duff, Alfie Lamb and Edel Quinn

#### **Works of Conservation**

- 1. Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary visitations:
  - a. We now have four Statues of Our Lady in total:
  - b. One Statue of Our Lady is brought to auxiliary members' homes
  - c. Three Statues of Our Lady are brought to Parishioners that have requested for a Statue visit. During the Statue visits we pray the Rosary with the families, sing Hymns, spend time in fellowship with them and leave the Statue for two weeks. A box has been prepared in our Church foyer

welcoming more requests for Statue of Our Lady visits and is announced regularly on our Parish bulletin

- 2. Organised special Masses for The Feast of The Assumption of Our Lady in our Parish on 15th August 2024 and 2025 and for The Feast of The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary on 8th September 2024 and 7th September 2025
- 3. Visiting and calling up our auxiliary members
- 4. Led The Holy Hour on Good Friday praying the Chaplet to Our Lady of Sorrows
- 5. Led Rosary and Novena Prayers before Mass and served as Ministers of The Word and Ministers of Holy Communion during the Mass at St Mary's Avondale Parish on one of the days of the 9-day Novena to Our Lady of Vailankanni
- 6. Assisted the Missionary of Charity Sisters with Children's Advent Retreat 2024 and sacramental program- reconciliation and recollection 2025

#### **Church-based Activities and Other Works**

- 1. Assisting with First Friday Masses. Some of our members are Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of the Word and help with collection and offertory
- 2. Once a month, we assist the parish with cleaning and tidying up of the church with flower arrangements
- 3. Assisting the parish with washing and ironing of the church linens used at masses
- 4. Our Praesidium's Legion of Mary choir group sings at Sunday Mass twice every month

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and blessings of our Blessed Mother, we strive to give our best to the Legion Apostolate.

President: Sr. Griselda Baptista Secretary: Sr. Kimberley Suan

#### **DIVINE MERCY**

#### **ACTIVITIES THIS PAST YEAR:**

- WORSHIP AND PRAYERS -Continuously meet every 4th Sunday of the month at 2:00
  pm for an hour of worship and prayer. Parishioners dropping at the church for a
  Sunday afternoon church visit are drawn in spirit to join the group for worship and
  prayer.
- 2. PROPAGATE THE DEVOTION TO THE DIVINE MERCY organized the celebration of the Feast of the Divine Mercy, distribution of the Divine Mercy novena leaflets, home/rest home/hospital visits upon request to pray the rosary and the Divine Mercy chaplet for persons who are sick and dying.
- 3. SUPPORT TO CHURCH ACTIVITIES -Supported Holy Cross Parish in its various church celebrations like Holy Thursday vigil prayer 3:00 am to 4: 00 am, Feast of the Holy Cross, Christmas celebrations, and all other church celebrations
- 4. PARTICIPATION IN THE CHURCH MINISTRY members are actively participating in all church ministries. Almost all the members are commissioned as Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers and Leaders and choir members

#### PLAN/S

- to support the parish in their strategy towards reaching out to the poor and the needy especially in areas where support is badly needed thus putting into action acts of mercy following Sister Faustina's love for the poor, vulnerable and marginalized sector of the community.
- 2. Continue our worship and prayers, propagate devotion to the Divine Mercy, actively support church activities and actively participate in the church ministries.

#### **Holy Cross Charismatic fellowship**

Holy Cross Charismatic fellowship meets once a month on the 4th Monday at 7pm in the parish meeting room.

We had 2 new members join us do we are now at 9 in total.

After some songs and prayer, we reflect on the scriptures

In order to encourage reading of the bible we are reflecting on the epistles of St. Paul. We finished the letter to the Colossians, Thessalonians and the Galatians.

We intend to reflect on the Acts of the Apostles chapters 13-28 which record the missionary journey of St. Paul

We welcome parishioners who would like to learn how to reflect on the Sacred scriptures.

We thank the parish priest Fr. Ephrem and the Parish pastoral council for allowing us the use of the parish pastoral centre.

#### **Anil Baptist**

#### **Holy Cross Men's Fellowship**

Since the 2024 AGM, there have been a number of significant events that highlighted the year for us.

#### **Annual Retreat**

This was held at the St Francis Retreat Centre, Hillsborough on Saturday November 18, 2024. It was a one-day retreat from 9am in the morning ending at 5pm in the late afternoon. We were very fortunate to have had the services of Father Savelio Tevaga who was at the time a retiree at the retirement home for priests in Ponsonby. He gave two stimulating talks on the subject of the Eucharist as well as celebrating the Holy Mass, let alone providing spiritual direction and confession for those who needed them. Our sincerest gratitude to Father Tevaga for generously giving up his time to take care of our spiritual needs.

And thanks be extended also to Piet Bakker for securing the services of Father Tevaga, and to Anil Baptist for organizing the retreat programme for us.

#### Ordination to the Deaconate

After a number of years of biblical and spiritual formation, we witnessed On August 2, 2025, the ordination to the deaconate of Adolf Goldwyn.

It was officially celebrated at a special Mass by Bishop Steve Lowe, Bishop of the Auckland Diocese, assisted by two other bishops and a large contingent of priests and seasoned deacons. The celebration was appropriately held at the St Patrick & St Joseph Cathedral in the city.

It was packed, virtually no standing room at all. The ceremony was so beautiful and sacred. The seven new deacons looked splendid in their special vestments up on the altar. What a proud moment for Adolf's wife Lucy, and daughter and her family, let alone his mum and family Members who had travelled from overseas to be part of such a special occasion. It was also a very proud moment for our Men's

#### Fellowship.

Not long after the ordination ceremony, we all made our way to a nearby hotel for a sumptuous lunch. Thanks again to the Goldwyn family for being such gracious hosts.

The very next day, August 3, saw the Parish officially welcomed our new Deacon by a solemn Mass at 10.30 am, followed by a shared lunch

in the Pastoral Centre attended by a large crowd of family members and well-wishers.

Already, we have seen in the last few Sundays the fruits of deacon Adolf's training and dedication. His well-prepared sermons, delivered with obvious conviction is one such fruit. May his service to our Parish bear many more inspiring spiritual outcomes.

#### **Parish Participation**

Members of our fellowship have continued to contribute productively to the life of our Parish. We as a group help to clean out the church one Saturday a month, and we fork out money as well once a month to buy flowers to decorate the sacristy. Some of our members assist with the liturgy by acting as Bible readers, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, and collectors. Some are also members of other prayer groups in the Parish. One of our members also coordinate the RCIA programme for the Parish.

#### **End of Year Celebrations**

The celebrations marking the end of 2024 happened on the evening of November 28, began with the holy sacrifice of the Mass held in the Church. It was officiated by Father Ranjit who was the Parish Priest at the time. Everyone pitched in with the preparation of the Mass and so resulted in a really beautiful act of thanksgiving to our heavenly Father.

Following was the material celebration in the Pastoral Centre. The Indian 'biryani' was the main dish in our shared dinner.

That was delicious indeed. And it was succeeded by a series of games such as word games, puzzles, miming games, etc, for our entertainment. Thanks to Anthony and Patricia Couto for organizing all that.

From all accounts, the evening was a success.

A blessed Christmas and a prosperous 2025 to everyone.

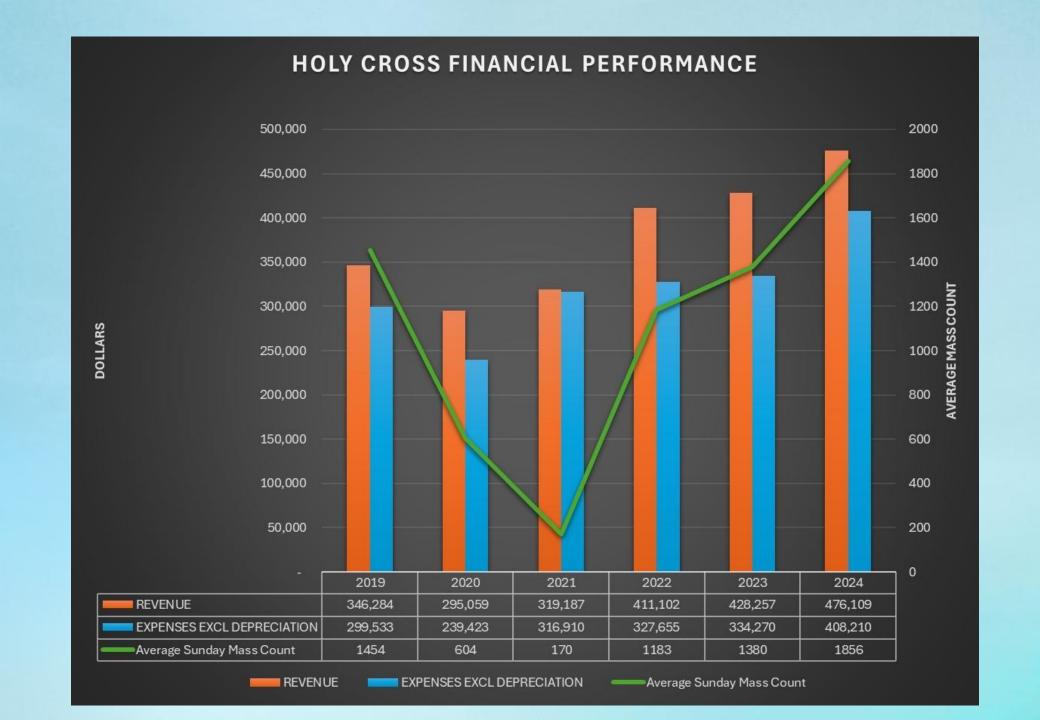
#### **George Schuster**

# HOLY CROSS PARISH HENDERSON FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2024

Presented by FLORITA TIONKO

**FC** Treasurer

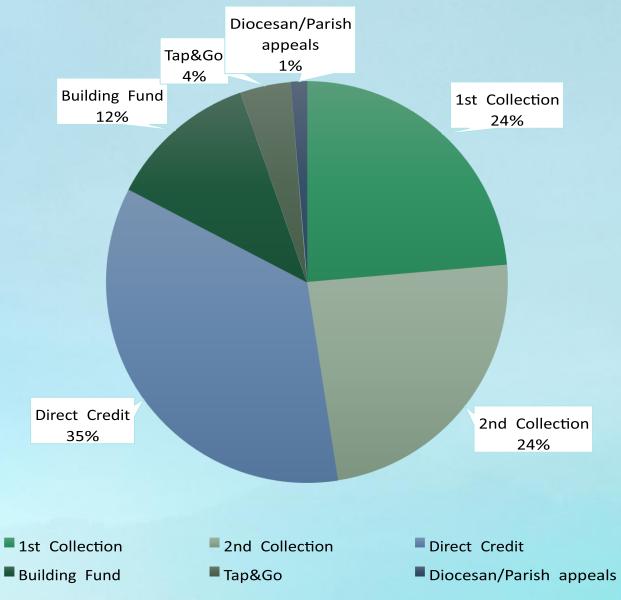
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# **INCOME**

| Donations from members  |     |         |
|-------------------------|-----|---------|
| 1st Collection          | 20% | 95,084  |
| 2nd Collection          | 20% | 96,355  |
| Direct Credit           | 30% | 141,269 |
| Building Fund           | 10% | 48,341  |
| Tap&Go                  | 3%  | 16,412  |
| Diocesan/Parish appeals | 1%  | 5,186   |
|                         |     | 402,647 |

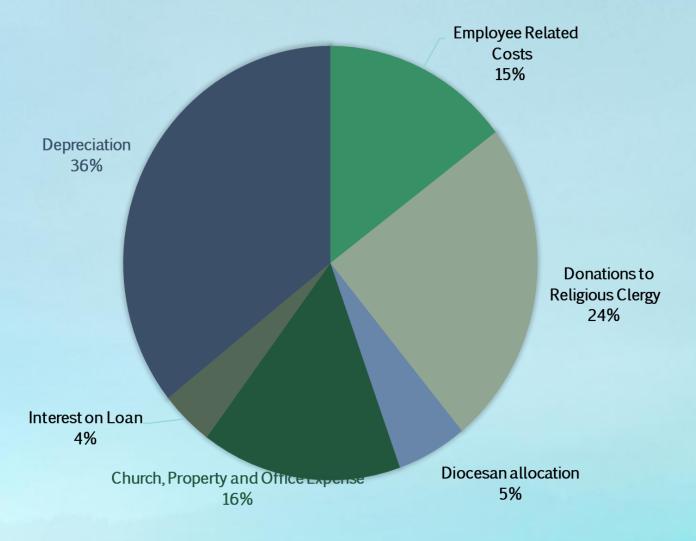
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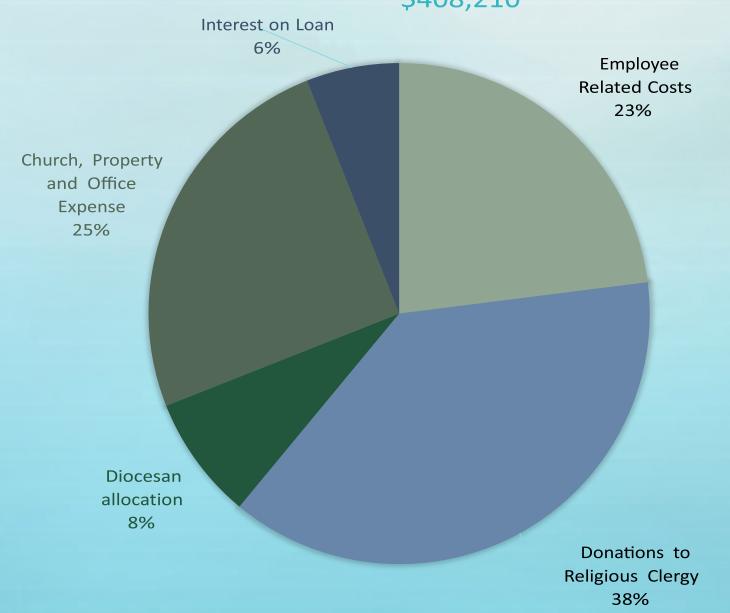
# **EXPENSES**

| Expenses including depreciation    | %    | 2024    |
|------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Employee Related Costs             | 15%  | 93,278  |
| Donations to Religious Clergy      | 24%  | 159,295 |
| Diocesan allocation                | 5%   | 30,128  |
| Church, Property and Office Expens | 16%  | 99,282  |
| Interest on Loan                   | 4%   | 26,227  |
| Depreciation                       | 36%  | 226,420 |
| 8                                  | 100% | 634,630 |

# EXPENSES FROM 2024 (INCL DEPRECIATION) \$634,630



# EXPENSES FROM 2024 (EXCL DEPRECIATION) \$408,210



# **ASSETS**

### Assets Acquired in 2024 (Church, Office & Carpark)

|   | COST   |
|---|--------|
| Glass Doors for Confessional/Priest's office  | 3,335  |
| Heat Pumps East, West Wings & Pastoral Centre | 14,775 |
| View Road Carpark Fencing                     | 6,520  |
| Nativity Set - large                          | 1,700  |
| Security camera upgrade                       | 11,676 |
| Office mobile phone                           | 949    |
| Steam Mop                                     | 349    |
| SUBTOTAL ASSETS                               | 39,304 |

#### **DONATED ASSETS:**

Church pews valued at \$5,500 were donated by the Sisters of Mercy in August 2024.

Hall Fridge donated by Holy Cross School

Freezer donated by J Hernandez

#### HALL REPAIRS

#### Covered by Insurance:

Roof repairs by Resolution Roofing Hall water damage repairs by John Lyng Group Hot Water Cylinder (repaid by Resolution Roofing/Vero Ins.)

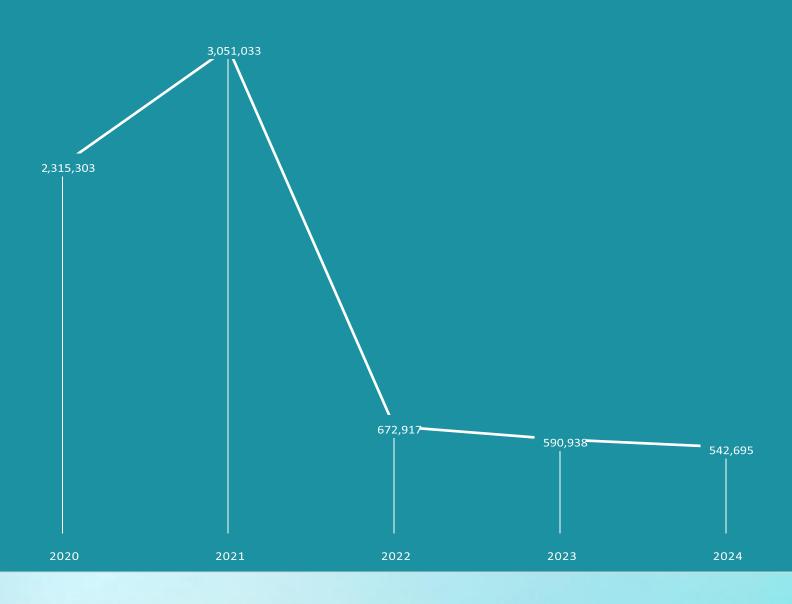
| Cost             | 8   | Insurance<br>Claim | D  | ifference |
|------------------|-----|--------------------|----|-----------|
| \$<br>110,823.40 | -\$ | 107,023.09         | \$ | 3,800.31  |
| \$<br>268,143.00 | -\$ | 268,143.00         | \$ | 14        |
| \$<br>4,705.79   | -\$ | 4,000.00           | \$ | 705.79    |
| \$<br>383,672.19 | -\$ | 379,166.09         | \$ | 4,506.10  |

#### Out of scope on Insurance Work: Hall Repair/Refurbishment paid by fundraised Hall Repair Funds:

| Fundraised from 2022 - 2024                            |     |          | \$<br>73,721.30 |
|--|-----|----------|-----------------|
| Out-of-scope work:                                     |     |          |                 |
| Hall electrical works (Olympus Electrical)             | \$  | 5,175.00 |                 |
| Hall repainting (New Earth Construction)               | \$  | 4,510.12 |                 |
| Hall electrical Testing (Olympus Electrical)           | \$  | 907.47   |                 |
| Oven Purchased for Church Hall & Installation          | \$  | 2,173.41 |                 |
| Water FX Limited - Hot water Cyl Installation          | \$  | 4,705.79 |                 |
| Olympus Electrical - Hot water Cyl Installation        | \$  | 713.00   |                 |
| Insurance Proceeds (offset Hot water cylinder repairs) | -\$ | 4,000.00 |                 |
| Alloyfold New Zealand - Hall Tables                    | \$  | 6,048.65 |                 |
| Hall Electrical Works (outdoor lights)                 | \$  | 3,676.91 |                 |
| Total Repairs & Improvements                           |     |          | \$<br>23,910.35 |
| Hall Repair Funds balance remaining                    |     |          | \$<br>49,810.95 |

# LIABILITIES

#### CDF LOAN FOR CHURCH REBUILDING



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                  |              |

