

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

REROOFING & NEW ROOFS

- Supply & Installation of Longrun Metal Roofing
- 5 Year Workmanship Warranty
- Free Measure & Quote
- Auckland Wide



Advance Roofing LIMITED

Duane Smith 021 949477 Mike Smith 021 942253
duane@advanceroofing.co.nz www.advanceroofing.co.nz

LineArts Architecture Ltd

Design & Drafting Services
Licensed Building Practitioner

We Specialize in:
Residential • Light Commercial • New Additions
Alterations • Building Consents

Maria Castro-Rafts
Architectural Designer
M: 021 0227 0514
P: 09 818 2216
E: maria.linearts@gmail.com

W: www.linearts.co.nz
Turning Dreams into Lifestyle

Sebastian PINTO

TRY US YOU'LL LIKE US

M 027 590 0985
sebastian.pinto@harcourts.co.nz
Licensed Salesperson REAA 2008

Harcourts Blue Fern Realty
Licensed Agent REAA 2008

SOLD | SUCCESS | SEBASTIAN

Looking to Reside, Study or Work in New Zealand

Get it right the first time

Ex-Immigration Officer Cynthia, offers advice and assistance for all categories of visas. Section 61, medicals and character concerns addressed.

ALL ABOUT IMMIGRATION LIMITED
Cynthia Sengupta
12 Pioneer Street, Henderson, Auckland
T: +64 98354274 M: +64 210486721
E: aailcynthia@gmail.com IAA License No. 201600824
W: www.allaboutimmigration.co.nz

DR. LISA FERNANDES

Over 29 Years of Experience

SENIOR DENTIST

FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION / CHECK UP WITH QUOTE
(X-Ray Charges Will Apply)

PHONE: 09 218 6000
TEXT LOY: 021 136 3444
E: info@lakepanoramadental.co.nz
Add: 22 Lake Panorama Drive Henderson Heights

Peace of mind is just a plan away

MORRISONS FUNERALS
220 Universal Drive, Henderson | 09 836 0029 | Morrisons.co.nz

THINKING OF BUYING OR SELLING REAL ESTATE?

WE CAN HELP YOU EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Cecilia Menezes
M: 021 2010 578
O: 09 8274824
c.menezes@barfoot.co.nz

Miguel Menezes
M: 021 806 551
AH: 09 810472
m.menezes@barfoot.co.nz

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday 9:30am after Morning Mass

Join us for silent Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday 9:30am - 12noon
Holy Cross Parish Henderson

Your Goals First. Property Results Follow.

I'm here to help

Peter Leung-King
021 182 8131

BARFOOT & THOMPSON

AALBERS CONSTRUCTION

MARK AALBERS 0204284531
MATTHEW AALBERS 0220514497

aalbers.constructionltd@gmail.com

AALBERS CONSTRUCTION

MAXPRINT SCREENPRINTING & EMBROIDERY

SCREENPRINT EMBROIDERY BANNERS SIGNS
SUBLIMATION FLAGS PROMO GEAR UNIFORMS

6 Bentinck Street NEW LYNN
www.screenprinting.nz
0800 maxprint (09) 525 5943

JIRIES GIACAMAN

Religious Woodcarvings Handcrafted from NZ Recycle Native Wood
Perfect Gifts for Baptism, Confirmation, or something special for your home

"We also have rosaries direct from Bethlehem"
Come and see us, Jiries & Marcelle, and our collection at:
310 Henderson Valley Road, Henderson, Auckland 0612

(09) 837 3417 jirieswd@gmail.com

ST DOMINIC'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Offering girls a quality education for Years 7-13

Our vision is to challenge students to achieve excellence by delivering a holistic education based on the living values of the Catholic Dominican tradition

29 Rathgar Rd. Phone 839 0380
www.stdoms.ac.nz

HOLY CROSS

Holy Cross Catholic School
Years 1-8 (girls only in Year 7&8)
8 Lavelle Rd, Henderson Phone: 838 8802
Email: admin@holycross.school.nz
Website: www.holycross.school.nz

Liston College

Growing Men of Presence, Love, Courage & Excellence

69 Rathgar Rd, West Auckland
Phone: (09) 838-9350
email: info@liston.school.nz
Website: www.liston.school.nz

The Brown Robe

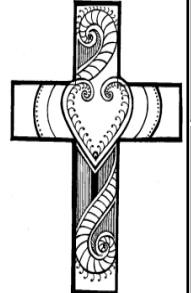
HOLY CROSS CHURCH - Henderson

Served by the Capuchin Friars



"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

02nd of August 2026— 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)



Responsorial Psalm Ps 145

Response: The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

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".

A Priceless Discovery Awaits!

"Five loaves and two fish are all we have here." Then he said, "Bring them here to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full. - Matthew 14: 17-20

The multiplication of the loaves and fish also foreshadows the Eucharist, likely the reason it is recorded in all four Gospels. In the Eucharist, God provides abundantly for our spiritual nourishment. When received with faith and trust in God's providence, Jesus' Body and Blood nourishes every virtue within us, empowering us to flourish spiritually. The Eucharist prepares us for eternal life, where we anticipate sharing in the eternal Wedding Banquet of Heaven—a perfect, everlasting celebration free from all sin, sickness, and suffering.

Reflect today on Jesus' tender care. He looks upon your needs with the same compassion He showed to the crowds in the wilderness. Consider especially how He desires to feed you daily through the Most Holy Eucharist, the true Bread from Heaven. Bring to Him whatever you have, even if it seems small or insufficient—your struggles, weariness, prayers, and hopes—and trust that in His hands, they will be multiplied for the good of your soul and the souls of others. Let this miraculous feeding stir within you a deeper faith in God's providence and a more fervent desire for the Eucharist, where Christ Himself is our sustenance, our healing, and our foretaste of eternal joy.

My Eucharistic Lord, the Gift of the Eucharist is beyond my comprehension. Just as the crowds were amazed at the multiplication of the loaves and fish, astonish me with an understanding of the Eucharist and Your providential care that fills my heart with openness and gratitude to You.

MASS TIMES

Tuesday & Thursday 9am
Wednesday Morning 9am
Friday Morning 9 am
First Friday Blessed Adoration at 6.30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7:30pm
Saturday 8am and 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 6pm

HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S MASS

Every **First Saturday** of the Month at 6pm

HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S LITURGY CLASS

Every **Sunday** 9:00am and 11:00am Mass

CARING COMMUNITY

Drop-in Morning Tea every **Tuesday** after 9am Mass except 3rd Tuesday

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every **3rd Tuesday** of the month at 11am, No Drop-in Morning Tea

20 DECADE ROSARY

Wednesday After 9am Mass
NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
Wednesday 7:10pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 6:45pm to 7:15pm
Saturdays 9:30am to 10:30pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday After 9am Mass till 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

FAITH SHARING

Every **4th Sunday** of the month at 12.15pm

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

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm

PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Every 4th Thursday of the month at 6pm

Readings This Sunday

First: Isaiah 55: 1-3
Psalm: Psalm 145
Second: Romans 8:35, 37-39
Gospel: Matthew 14: 13-21

Readings Next Sunday

First: 1 Kings 19: 9a, 11-13a
Psalm: Psalm 85
Second: Romans 9:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 14: 22-33

Scripture Readings for the week

	Ps	Jer	Mat
Monday	Ps 119	Jer 28: 1-17	Mat 14: 22-36
Tuesday	Ps 102	Jer 30: 1-2 12-22	Mat 14: 22-36
Wednesday	Jer 31	Jer 31: 1-7	Mat 15: 21-28
Thursday	Ps 97	Dan 7: 9-10, 13-14	Mat 17: 1-9
Friday	Deu 32	Nah 2: 1,3; 3: 1-7	Mat 16: 24-28
Saturday	Ps 9	Hab 1: 12-2: 4	Mat 17: 14-20

Church Office: 9:30am-12:30pm (Tue-Fri) **Tel:** (09) 835 3355 **Address:** 2 Lavelle Road, Henderson Auckland 0612
Email: secretary@hendersoncatholic.org.nz, accounts@hendersoncatholic.org.nz **Website:** www.hendersoncatholic.org.nz

On behalf of Holy Cross Parish, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for the generous donation of a brand-new wheelchair. Your kindness and generosity will greatly benefit our parish community, particularly those who may require assistance during Masses and parish events. As part of our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of everyone in our parish, we are continuing to seek additional wheelchair donations for use during emergency evacuations. Given the number of parishioners attending our weekend Masses, we hope to have a total of three wheelchairs available across the parish. If you are able to assist with this important need, we would be deeply grateful for your support. Thank you once again for helping us create a safer and more welcoming parish community. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity.

Thank you for your wonderful generosity in completing our Parish Census. We are grateful to share that we now have 525 registered families, with many already supporting our parish through Parish Pledge Giving. Your faithful generosity enables us to continue the mission of Holy Cross Parish and provide for the spiritual and pastoral needs of our community. As we begin a new Pledge Giving renewal, we kindly invite every family to prayerfully reflect on their offering and consider renewing or increasing their commitment, according to their means. The Parish Pledge Giving Renewal will take place from the weekend of 15–16 August until the last weekend of August. We ask that each family takes one pledge envelope and returns it during this period. Thank you for your continued kindness, generosity, and support. Together, we can continue to build a vibrant and welcoming parish community. May God bless you and your families abundantly.

Fire Wardens—Holy Cross Parish are in need for volunteers to be a Fire Wardens for each Mass. This will double down to be ushers in our church to sit people who are standing at the back. Basic training will be provided. Please email the office if your interested.

The St Vincent de Paul Henderson The St Vincent de Paul society meet in the Church meeting room on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month in the church meeting room at 7pm. New members are always welcome.

Parish Registration Form—We would like to extend a warm welcome to all new parishioners and encourage you to register with the parish. Registration forms are available in the foyer for your convenience. Keeping accurate records of all parishioners is important for future reference, such as the signing of any necessary documents by the priest. Thank you for being a part of our parish community.

Stay Connected with Holy Cross Parish! - Never miss the latest Parish Newsletter, announcements, upcoming events, and important updates. Simply scan the QR Code to access all the latest news from Holy Cross Parish anytime, anywhere. Stay informed. Stay connected. Stay involved in the life of our parish! Just scan the QR Code below and join us online!



First Friday Mass - First Friday Mass will be celebrated on Friday 7th of August, Blessed Adoration will begin at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7.30pm.

Padre Pio Holy Cross Private Screening—Join us on Saturday, 8 August at 2:00 pm for a private screening of the inspiring film Padre Pio at Event Cinemas West City, hosted by Holy Cross Parish Henderson. This special event is presented through the Franciscan Film Fellowship and the Secular Franciscan Order as part of the celebrations marking the Jubilee of St Francis of Assisi and the 50th anniversary of the Capuchin Friars’ presence at Holy Cross Church. Tickets are just \$10 per person, with all proceeds supporting parish projects. Come and enjoy an uplifting afternoon while contributing to the life and mission of our parish community. This is the last week of the sale of the tickets in the foyer. Limited number of tickets will just be available for sale in the office.

Secular Franciscan Order - Our Lady Help of Christians Fraternity, West Auckland will have their monthly meeting on Sunday the 9th of August at 2.30pm 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

Finance meeting— will be on Thursday 13th of August 10:30am at the Parish Meeting Room

Our Parish Hall is available for hire from the weekend of the 15th of August. To make a booking, please email the Parish Office to request a Hall Hire Form. Once the completed form has been received then we will discuss your preferred booking date and time. When the hire fee has been paid, we will confirm your booking subject to availability. Everything will be done through email and first received will be the first one served.

International Food Festival—Our parish will be organizing an international food festival to celebrate our feast day. This will be held on Saturday the 12th of September. All ethnicities are invited to put up a stall to showcase their cuisine and help in fundraising for the parish. If you are interested please contact Anil Baptist on 0223649306 for further details

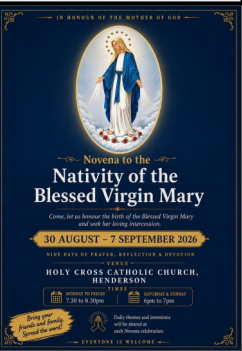
Divine Retreat Centre, New Zealand (DRC-NZ) is organising an Inner Healing Retreat led by Fr (Dr) Antony Prankimalil VC, Director, Divine Retreat Centre, Rwanda. The retreat is being held in Auckland, Hamilton and Wellington from 28th August to 4th September 2026. All are welcome. No registration required. Koha gracefully accepted. Auckland - Christ the King Church, Owairaka 28th August – Friday from 6:00pm to 9:00pm 29th August – Saturday from 11:00am to 5:00pm 30th August – Sunday from 1:00pm to 5:00pm 31st August to 3rd September – Monday to Thursday from 6:00pm to 9:00pm

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

Holy Cross Parish warmly invites all parishioners, families, and friends to join us in a 9-Day Novena to Our Blessed Mother Mary, from Sunday, 30 August to Monday, 7 September.

Over these nine days, we will gather in prayer and devotion, reflecting each day on a special theme and prayer intention. Together, we will seek the loving intercession of Our Lady for our families, our parish community, our nation, and the needs of the world. This novena offers a beautiful opportunity to deepen our faith, draw closer to Jesus through Mary, and unite as a community in prayer, hope, and trust. All are welcome. Come and experience the grace, peace, and blessings that flow from spending time with Our Blessed Mother in prayer.

The feast day mass of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be on Tuesday, 8th September at 7:30pm. Please refer to the poster in the church foyer for more details.



Parish Priest:
Fr Ephrem Tigga OFM Cap.
hccparishpriest@gmail.com
Asst Parish Priest:
Fr Daniel Sitanggang OFM Cap.
hccasstparishpriest@gmail.com
Asst Capuchin Priest
Fr Praveen Lobo OFM Cap.
hccasstpriest@gmail.com
Capuchin Friary Unmanned Mobile No.
+64 22 171 5669 Text Messages only
Principal Holy Cross School
Janice Borsos
borsosj@holycross.school.nz
Liturgy & Rosters:
Sr Akenese Nun Toon
akeholycross@gmail.com
Holy Cross Henderson Account
Acct Name: **Holy Cross Henderson**
Acct No.: **02-0108-0707323-000**
Mass intentions & office queries:
Warren Herrera OFS
secretary@hendersoncatholic.org.nz
+64 22 673 2208 Text Message Only
Donations/planned-giving:
Jasmine Prem
accounts@hendersoncatholic.org.nz
Technical support:
Mario Tionko
marioholycross@gmail.com
Youth Ministry
Michael Kamson
hccyouthcoordinator@gmail.com
Music Roster
Tai Asiat
taiholycross@gmail.com
Capuchin Friars Account
Acct Name: **Trust Board of the Order**
Capuchin Friars
Acct No.: **02-0152-0453260-000**
Please make sure that you use a reference if you are donating to the above account

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) have to be Catholics** (or at least one) must attend, **Sponsors/Godparents (or at least one) have to be Catholics** and need to attend. A Baptism Preparation Course is held **every 3rd Friday of the month from 5:30 pm to 6:30 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 12:30pm. For any inquiries, please contact the Parish Office.**

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time 1st & 2nd August					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6 pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 11 am	Sun 6 pm
Leader :	child	Jean Soniega	Fiona Tuffs (Pua)	Katherine Tanginoa	Sr Ake Nun Toon
Reader 1:	child	Anita Gupta	Michael Smith	Jane Edna Veehala	Danielle Monteiro
Reader 2:	child	Nikolao Whyte	Maria Jose	Fisiilose Dolora Veatuou	Sue Ivicevich
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Jessica D'Silva	Selestina Levave	Teresa Malone	Ngalo'afe Nau	Neil Fernandes
	Joisie Cueva	Winnie Veikoso	Tricia Pineda	Maria Faleusu	Beatrice Wilsor
	Miguel Padilla		Paul Coakley	Malia Veatupu	Helan Roy
	Pearl Debra Coelho		Noelene Early	Melitta Cadelis	Anna Manoharan
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark, & Elridge	Soniega Family	Men's Fellowship	Filemoni & Celino	Michael Eade / Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Zephan Saldanha (L)	Isabel de Jesus (L)	Frencheska Perlas (L)	Jane	Francewill Mangahas
	Summer de los Reyes	Matthew Abalajen	Izabel Mary Geo	Keyondre Uale	Gab Zara
	Aroha	Miguel Abalajen	Mishael Basabe	Jordan Solomon (L)	Luis Alabastro (L)
	Johanna	Mikaela Abalajen	Isaac Betham	Puni Saka	Jacob Alabastro
	Jovi		Dioniel Basabe	Erika	
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	

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time 8th & 9th August					
Mass	Vigil Sat 6 pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 11 am	Sun 6 pm
Leader :	Julia Macuja	Bonita Smith	Janice Borsos	Lourdes Fonoti	Olympia D'Souza
Reader 1:	Amy Macuja	Frances Martinez	Brigid Ann McGrath	Joy Mati	Gavin Colaco
Reader 2:	Stephanie Alimagno	Sabrina Veatupu	Cheryl Sinclair	Sandy Mary Fonoti	Kimberley Suan
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Renante Alimagno	Geraldine Sequera	Frank Borsos	Frances Ieremia	Michael Eade
	Maria Alimagno	Winnie Veikoso	Clare Connoly	Sandy Fonoti	Charmaine Monteiro
	Jessica D'Silva		Jennifer Baptist	Matalena Sagote	Danielle Monteiro
	Prem Joseph		Chantal Sieglar X...	Frances Ieremia	Neil Fernandes
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark, & Elridge	Soniega Family	Men's Fellowship	Filemoni & Celino	Michael Eade / Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Liam Kim	Amanda de Jesus (L)	Caroline Cibi (L)	Funaki Ali (L)	Gab Zara
	Junho (L)	Mikko Abalajen	Lawrence Lolesio	Lui Ali	Francewill Mangahas
	Jovi	Keisha Patero	Brayden	Keyondre Uale	Jacob Alabastro
	Jezreel	Jaden Nanol	Judiel Basabe	Christian	Ana Fernandes
	Summer de los Reyes	Arden David Laki	Isaac Betham		
Music Ministry:	Musica Christi	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Samoan Community	Betham Family
Offertory					
		Cleaning Siemsen Family Ahio & Veatupu Family	Flowers Ahio & Veatupu Family Tania Liugamatagi	Children's Liturgy Missionaries of Charity Sisters	