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1st of November 2026— Solemnity of All Saints

Responsorial Psalm Ps 24
Response: Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

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".

Solemnity of All Saints

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb."

*- **Revelation 7:9–10***

Reflection: Today, we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, a celebration honouring all men and women who have entered Heaven. While this includes every soul in Heaven, the focus is particularly on those who led extraordinarily holy lives on earth and that the Church has canonized as saints. These individuals honoured God in a variety of ways: through deep prayer and mystical union, through enduring martyrdom or other forms of religious persecution, and through acts of service, such as caring for the needy or teaching the faith. Some saints were powerful preachers or miracle workers. Others were leaders, some lived in obscurity, and still others experienced exile or made significant personal sacrifices for their faith. In various ways, these saints glorified God during their lifetimes.

All saints in Heaven, I thank you for the holy witness you each have given to the Church and rejoice in the blessings you now enjoy in Heaven. Please pray for me and for all people, that every one of us will become holy, bearing witness to Christ with our lives, and one day enter Heaven. May God pour forth an abundance of grace upon the world through the example you set and the prayers you now pray before His throne. All saints of God, pray for me.

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 10:30am
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Thursday After 9am Mass until 12pm
MEDITATION
Last **Friday** of the month at 10am
BAPTISM COURSE
Every 3rd **Friday** of the month 5:30 pm at Pastoral Centre
ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN
Scheduled with the Missionaries of Charity Sisters (8-wk course)
BAPTISM SCHEDULE
Saturday 10:30am, 11:30am, and 12:30pm
ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS
Thursdays 6:00pm to 7:00pm
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: Revelation 7: 2-14
Psalm: Psalm 24
Second: 1 John3: 1-3
Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12a

Readings Next Sunday

First: Wisdom 6: 12-16
Psalm: Psalm 63
Second: 1 Thes 4: 13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-13

Scripture Readings for the week

Monday	Ps 23	Wis 3: 1– 9	Rom 5: 5-11	John 6: 37-40
Tuesday	Ps 22		Phil 2: 5-11	Luke 14: 15-24
Wednesday	Ps 27		Phil 2: 12-18	Luke 14: 25-33
Thursday	Ps 105		Phil 3: 3-8a	Luke 15: 1-10
Friday	Ps 122		Phil 3: 17-4: 1	Luke 16: 1-8
Saturday	Ps 112		Phil 4: 10-19	Luke 16: 9-15

Church Office: 9:30am-12:30pm (Tue-Fri) **Tel**: (09) 835 3355 **Address**: 2 Lavelle Road, Henderson Auckland 0612

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ALL SOULS DAY—For the whole month of November, the purple box in the foyer will stay there 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. **In commemoration of All Souls on the 2nd of November, we will have a Mass at 9am and 7:30pm.**

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION & MASS on Friday 6th November 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.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES LECTURES - The Mass, consisting of Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist are one act of worship…Just as Jesus did with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, he first opens their minds to the scriptures, and then proceeds to feed them afterwards. We recognise the same shape taking place within our Roman Rite liturgy: the Word of God is proclaimed, and then we par take as one in the Body and Blood of Christ. As we approach the beginning of the new liturgical year, the Liturgy Centre is hosting its next series of Liturgical Ministries Lectures. These will cover basic theological foundations for Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. To register, please get in touch with your parish office who will then complete a group registration on your behalf. **Registration is mandatory for all participants. Ministers of the Word: 10am-12pm. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: 1pm-3pm. Dates and Deaneries (exact parish location will be made available to those registered) November 7 – City & Central, November 14 – Western**

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH GET-TOGETHER – Saturday, 14th November, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Glen Eden, warmly invites you to join us for our Parish Get-Together on Saturday, 14th November, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come and be part of a joyful celebration of our parish's rich cultural diversity, a day filled with traditional foods, vibrant cultural performances, music, and warm fellowship. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect, share, and celebrate the many cultures that make our faith community so special. Don't miss our raffle draw at 1:00 p.m. for a chance to win a 4-burner BBQ and chilly bin or some gift vouchers! **We'd love for you to join us and share in this special celebration of faith, culture, and community.**

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FOR LIFE—Remembering pre-born children lost to abortion, and praying for those who have died by euthanasia. When? All Saints Day evening - Sunday 1 November at 7:30 p.m. Where? Potter's Park – corner of Dominion & Balmoral Roads (opposite KFC). Bring family and friends. Candles provided. The vigil is a family-friendly event. For more information go to **www.fli.org.nz/vigil-for-life/**

(or contact Simon at FLI: 021 400 729 –simon@fli.org.nz)

BISHOPS' ELECTION STATEMENT- As the General Election nears, Catholic are encouraging to read the bishops' 2026 election statement, discerning our nation's future through a Gospel lens. It invites Catholics and people of good will to consider voting as a moral and civic responsibility, not just a matter of personal preference. The bishops urge people to consider how they will cast their votes by reviewing candidates' and parties' positions across a range of key issues, and they also encourage people to pray for the country. Access the election statement at:

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SCHOLARSHIP FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDY—Bishop Stephen Lowe, the Catholic Bishop of Auckland, is pleased to call for applications for the Ruth Miller Scholarship for Theological Study. This scholarship will be available for those already teaching in a Catholic school, who intend to do one or more theology papers towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2027. For further information about this scholarship and to receive an application form, please email: scholarships@cda.org.nz. The closing date for applications is 27 NOVEMBER 2026.

Calling all former **ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL SCHOOL STUDENTS AND FRIENDS OF THE SISTERS OF MERCY**—Our beloved school closed in 1979. The historic building remains at 59 Wellington Street, beautifully renovated, and was opened by Bishop Cleary in December 1926. In conjunction with the Sisters of Mercy, a centenary celebration will be held at the site on. Friday 11 December 2026 from 5pm to 7pm. You are warmly invited to attend and celebrate with us and perhaps bring any school memorabilia that you may have. Please bring a plate of finger-food to share. Free parking is available under the building. RSVP by 20 November to **Therese at turnock@xtra.co.nz or Rosemary on 0204258456**.

ALL SAINTS' DAY is a major Christian solemnity celebrated annually on November 1 in Vatican City and the Catholic Church to honour all known and unknown saints in heaven.

Meaning and Tradition

Core Purpose: The feast commemorates every soul that has reached Heaven, expressing the "Communion of Saints" that unites the Church on Earth with the Church triumphant.

History: The celebration originated in the early Church to honour martyrs. Pope Boniface IV later dedicated the Pantheon in Rome to the Blessed Virgin Mary and all martyrs on May 13; the date was later moved to November 1.

Holy Day of Obligation: Catholics attend Mass as a holy day of obligation, and the observance is closely followed by All Souls' Day on November 2.

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.

Preference Card—Preference Card appointments are available by appointment only on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon. Applicants must be registered parishioners of Holy Cross Parish Henderson and provide the relevant Baptism Certificate: ***Option 5.2: A sibling's Baptism Certificate. Option 5.3: A parent's Baptism Certificate***. If no immediate family member is baptised Catholic, a ***grandparent, uncle or aunt*** may support the application by providing their Baptism Certificate and completing the required supporting documents. Applications and interview will be reviewed by the Parish Priest and forwarded to the Auckland Diocese with the Parish Priests comments for assessment. The Diocese will contact the family directly with the outcome. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment.



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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) 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**.

31st Sunday of Ordinary Time 31st Octover & 1st November (All Saints Day)

Mass	Vigil Sat 6 pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 11 am	Sun 6 pm
Leader :	child	Bonita Smith	Anil Baptist	Katherine Tanginoa	Gafatasi Endemann
Reader 1:	child	Frances Martinez	Gemma Dominguez	Fisiilose Dolora Veatupu	Gavin Colaco
Reader 2:	child	Anita Gupta	Jane Thomsen	Jane Edna Veehala	Sue Ivicevich
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Rebecca James	Geraldine Sequera	Jennifer Baptist	Ngalo'afe Nau	Michael Eade
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	Prem Joseph		Teresa Malone	Malia Seufatu	Danielle Monteiro
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Altar Servers:	Zephan Saldanha (L)	Isabel de Jesus (L)	Caroline Cibi (L)	Joseph Uale (L)	Feba Corray (L)
	Francisco del Rosario	Titoa Smith	Lawrence Lolesio	Isaac Betham	Luis Alabastro (L)
	Summer de los Reyes	Selemena Smith	Nahshon	Keyondre Uale	Ana Fernandes
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	Aroha	Munachimso Edeh	Noah	Puni Saka	Gab Zara
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Offertory					
		Cleaning Couples for Christ Redfern Family Sagote Family Samoan Family	Flowers Tongan Community	Children's Liturgy	

32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time 7th & 8th November

Mass	Vigil Sat 6 pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 11 am	Sun 6 pm
Leader :	Margie del Rosario	Lydia Ah-kuoi	Sr Ake Nun Toon	Lana Ieremia	Anora D'Costa
Reader 1:	Pearl Debra Coelho	Nikolao Whyte	Maria Jose	Sandy Mary Fonoti	Gavin Colaco
Reader 2:	Stephanie Alimagno	Savieti Lea	Donalyn Dizon	Joy Mati	Maria de Hoog
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