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22nd of November 2026— Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Responsorial Psalm Ps 23

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

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".

Christ the Universal King

"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.'"

- Matthew 25:41–43

On June 11, 1899, Pope Leo XIII solemnly consecrated the entire human race to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a moment he regarded as the "great act" of his pontificate. This consecration was rooted in the sacred truth that, "[Christ's] empire includes not only Catholic nations, not only baptized persons... but also all those who are outside the Christian faith; so that truly the whole of mankind is subject to the power of Jesus Christ" (Annum Sacrum, 3).

As we celebrate this glorious solemnity on the final Sunday of the Liturgical Year, we are invited to recall and reaffirm Christ's universal kingship. Across the world, many do not follow Christ or acknowledge Him as Lord. Some adhere to false religions, embrace secular ideologies, or reject God and religious practice altogether.

Reflect today on the coming judgment of Christ. Consider whether He truly reigns as King over every aspect of your life—your thoughts, words, actions, relationships, and responsibilities. Then consider how you can help bring about His Kingdom in hearts, homes, and in the wider culture, so that when He comes in glory, you may be found among those at His right hand.

Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, You are the Lord of all creation, the Judge of every soul, and the only Savior of the world. We bow before You today in humble adoration, acknowledging Your sovereign authority over our lives, our nations, and our world. Reign in our hearts with the power of Your truth, purify our desires, and conform our lives to Your most holy will. May every soul in this world come to know and adore You in anticipation of that great and final day of Judgment. Jesus, I trust in 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 10:30am

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: Ezekiel 34: 11-17
Psalm: Psalm 23
Second: 1 Cor 15: 20-28
Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

Readings Next Sunday

First: Isaiah 63: 16b-64: 7
Psalm: Psalm 80
Second: 1 Cor 1: 3-9
Gospel: Mark 13: 33-37

Scripture Readings for the week

Monday	Ps 24	Rev 14: 1– 3; 4b-5	Luke 21: 1-4
Tuesday	Ps 96	Rev 14: 14-19	Luke 21: 5-11
Wednesday	Ps 98	Rev 15: 1-4	Luke 21: 12-19
Thursday	Ps 100	Rev 18: 1-23, 19: 1-9a	Luke 21: 20-28
Friday	Ps 84	Rev 21: 1-11, 21: 2	Luke 21: 29-33
Saturday	Ps 95	Rev 22: 1-7	Luke 21: 34-36

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CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF CAPUCHIN FRIARS AT HOLY CROSS PARISH—With grateful hearts and great joy, we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Capuchin Friars' presence and dedicated service to our Holy Cross Parish Community. This is a truly special milestone in the life of our parish, and we warmly invite everyone to join us in celebrating this wonderful occasion on Sunday, 13 December 2026, at 11:00am Mass. The celebration will continue with lunch and a cultural programme, bringing us together in fellowship, gratitude and joy. Come and join us as we give thanks for the 50 years of faith, love, service and spiritual guidance of the Capuchin Friars in our parish community. We would appreciate if you please can bring a plate.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK—will be held on Tuesday 24th of November followed by the ***Senior's Christmas Lunch***. This is the last weekend the ***Caring Community Christmas Raffle Tickets*** will be sold. Raffle will be drawn on the 24th of November and the result will be announce on the first week of advent.

ITEMS FOR SALE—Looking for a rosary or a special gift? We have some rosaries and a selection of gift items available at the Parish Office. Feel free to drop by and have a look. BIBLE DIARIES 2027—A few copies are still available! And Mass Calendars for 2027 (An annual booklet or calendar that provides daily instructions for celebrating the Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours). If you would like to have one, please drop by the Parish Office from Tuesday to Friday between 9:30am to 12:30pm to buy your copy. Available while stocks last!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2027 – ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN!

Enrolments are now open for children who will be in Year 4 and at least ***9 years old by February 2027***. Forms are available in the foyer and start registering now. Parents/guardians are kindly asked to complete the form and attach photocopies of the child's ***Baptism and Birth Certificates*** to help keep parish records up to date.

Important Dates:

Registration closes: Friday, 5 February 2027 ***Parent/Guardian Meeting***: Friday, 5 February 2027

Classes begin: Saturday, 13 February 2027, 4:30–5:30pm at Holy Cross Parish Hall and School.

Confirmation: Sunday, 20 June 2027 ***First Holy Communion***: Sunday, 5 September 2027

The full programme timetable will be provided at the Parent/Guardian Meeting. We look forward to journeying with our children and families as they grow in faith and prepare to receive these special Sacraments.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY—Over the past month, your prayers & monetary support, helped create 31 food parcels - that's a smile on the dial of 138 adults & 31 children across Henderson & neighbouring communities. If you wish to contribute to this worthy cause, you can do so by way of Bank transfers can be made to St Vincent de Paul Holy Cross: 12-3020- 0488780-00. Please add your full name as reference. Tax receipts will be issued at the end of the year. Contact hendersonsvdp@gmail.com or Ph 022 687 4694 for your receipt.

SACRED HEART DEVOTION—on the 4th of December, Friday, and will return back in February.

CHILDREN'S MASS—We would like to extend a special invitation to all guardians & parents with children to attend our monthly Children's Mass on Saturday 5th December at 6pm. This Mass is specifically tailored for the children, and we encourage you to bring your little ones along.

PARISH HEALTH CHECK SUMMARY REPORT—The diocese did a Parish Health Check to our Parish and in summary has done a **Henderson Parish Mission Dashboard** which is posted in our Bulleting board if you care to read. Quoting from their summary "Holy Cross Parish Henderson continues to demonstrate strong stewardship, governance, financial management, and community engagement."

PADRE PIO'S SERVANTS OF THE ALTAR - Holy Cross Fundraiser. Cake/baked goods stall after 7am, 9am, & 11am Masses Sunday 29th November. ALL proceeds raised to assist with formation evenings and discipleship groups. For ease and speed of handling payment in Cash preferred please, however EFTPOS is available. Thank you for your prayers and generosity, supporting the children and teenagers as they serve our Lord and Parish community through this Ministry. Contact Teresa, 0212658214.

FAITH SHARING—Our next Faith Sharing Session will be held on Sunday, 22nd Nov. 2026 at 12.15pm (following the 11.00am Mass). The session will begin with a talk on the topic of the day, followed by a shared lunch.

Speaker: Fr. Ephrem Tigga OFM Cap. Parish Priest. **Topic**: "A walk through the Mass - Part II".

Come and listen to Fr. Ephrem as he takes us through the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience in the Liturgy and explains their profound significance. Part II will cover the Liturgy of the Eucharist up to the Concluding Rites. Do not miss this opportunity to understand what we SAY and DO in the Liturgy. We look forward to welcoming everyone. For further details please contact the Parish Office on 09 835 3355.

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THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



The Solemnity of Christ the King (22nd of November) reminds us that Jesus is the King of all creation, whose kingdom is built not on power, wealth or earthly glory, but on love, mercy, humility and service. Jesus is a different kind of King. He leads us not with force, but with compassion. His crown is made of thorns, and His throne is the Cross. Through His life, death and resurrection, He shows us that true greatness comes from loving God and serving one another.

As we celebrate this special feast, let us reflect on whether Christ truly reigns in our hearts, our families and our community. May we follow His example by bringing kindness, forgiveness, peace and love to those around us. May Christ our King guide our lives and reign forever in our hearts!

Before the 11 am Mass, we will be having Adoration from 10:15 am for 30 minutes and the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament will start at 10:45 am from the church.

CHRISTMAS EVE

- Family Mass at 6 pm
- Christmas Carols at 10:15 pm
- Evening Mass at 11 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

- Morning Mass at 7 am
- Morning Mass at 9 am
- Morning Mass at 11 am

NEW YEAR'S EVE

- Adoration at 10 pm
- Evening Mass at 10:30 pm



NEW YEAR'S DAY 2027

- Morning Mass at 9 am

OTHER SERVICES

- Morning Masses - will continue during holidays
- Novena Mass - finishes 16th Dec & starts 3rd Feb
- Adoration - finishes 17th Dec & starts 4th Feb
- Sacred Heart Devotion- finishes 4th Dec & starts 5th Feb
- Reconciliation - Saturdays 9:30 am to 10:30 am

PARISH OFFICE

- Last Day - 23rd December 2026
- Start Day - 26th January 2027



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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**.

Christ, the King 21st & 22nd November (Hope)

Mass	Vigil Sat 6 pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 11 am	Sun 6 pm
Leader :	Julia Macuja	Bonita Smith	Katie-Ann Vaka'uta	Madalene Warren	Kaira Monteiro
Reader 1:	Chris Mendes	Frances Ah Ken	Edmosa Vaka'uta	Agnes Benavides	Danielle Monteiro
Reader 2:	Amy Macuja	Mary Turnwald	Cheryl Sinclair	Kate Jariel	Griselda Baptista
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Rebecca James	Geraldine Sequera	Chantal Sieglaar	Tricia Pineda	Michael Eade
	Jessica D'Silva	Selestina Levave	Noelene Earlly	Tess Fermin	Michael Eade
	Jasmine Prem Kumar		Pearlie Judd	Noel Fermin	Helan Roy
	Prem Joseph		Muliagatele Frances Ieremia	Suzette Orquejo	Charmaine Monteiro
Collector:	Phyllis, Mark, & Elridge	Soniega Family	Men's Fellowship	Filemoni & Celino	Michael Eade / Flocy Membrere
Altar Servers:	Zephan Saldanha (L)	Amanda de Jesus (L)	Frencheska Perlas (L)	Puni Saka	Juvan Gino
	Francisco del Rosario	Jaden Nanol	Nahshon	Isaac Betham	Luis Alabastro (L)
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	Aroha	Nnamdi Edeh	Yuen Josue		
Music Ministry:	Indian Group	Quiet Mass	Vakauta Family	Filipino Community	Legion of Mary
Offertory					
		Cleaning Fiji Community(Friday) St. Vincent de Paul Tongan Community	Flowers Filipino Community	Children's Liturgy Missionaries of Charity Sisters	

1st Sunday of Advent 28th & 29th November

Mass	Vigil Sat 6 pm	Sun 7am	Sun 9 am	Sun 11 am	Sun 6 pm
Leader :	Gafatasi Endemann	Lydia Ah-kuoi	Janice Borsos	Madalene Warren	Anora D'Costa
Reader 1:	Ingrid D'Silva	Anita Gupta	Katie-Ann Vaka'uta	Agnes Benavides	Gavin Colaco
Reader 2:	Stephanie Alimagno	Savieti Lea	Edmosa Vaka'uta	Jacinta Lemana	Maria de Hoog
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			Sione Vakauta	Melitta Cadelis	Neil Fernandes
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	Johanna	Mikaela Abalajen	Brayden	Sione Sakalia	Andrea
	Jezreel	Keisha Patero	John Noronha	Keyondre Uale	Ana Fernandes
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