# August-September 2021 Auckland Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group Network (ACCPGN) newsletter.

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#### Our vision

To see the restoration of all the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as a normal part of Catholic Church life, to lead people into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, and develop the fullness of the Holy Spirit in the lives of all believers.

Message from Deidre, chairperson of Auckland Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group Network.

# Isaiah 41

<sup>8</sup> "But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, you descendants of Abraham my friend,
<sup>9</sup> I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corners I called you.
I said, 'You are my servant'; I have chosen you and have not rejected you.
<sup>10</sup> So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

# Dear all.

Thank you to the leaders who met with the Service group on August 14<sup>th</sup>. It was good to pray and praise God together. In November we hope to have a gathering open to all so that we can praise God together. Keep Saturday November 13<sup>th</sup> free, more details later.

Unfortunately due to the covid situation the Charis NZ Conference on 1-3 October has been postponed until 2022. More information later. Please keep the team and their planning in your prayer. Also note the Jesus Youth camp advertised in the last newsletter has been cancelled.

There are plenty of opportunities to practise and grow in our faith during this Lockdown period. Once again some of the prayer group meetings have moved to social media, the diocese is organising media events and there are some online conferences. There are a number of events this weekend so check the attached newsletter.

Please continue to pray for service group members, prayer group leaders, one another and our families.

May God bless and protect you all.

## Deidre

Calendar these CCR dates (for more information see below, or attached flyers or in later newsletters)

Postponed	<b>CharisNZ Conference</b> for all Currents of Grace, Silverstream postponed til 2022
18-19 Sept	NSW Charismatic Retreat online
Other events see below	
Oct 16	Auckland Diocese Festival at St Lukes, Flatbush. 9am-5pm and youth festival 7-10pm https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/festival/
Oct 30	Catholic Mens Retreat, Glenfield.

Charisnz now has a website, check it out. https://charisnz.com

Unfortunately due to the covid situation: CharisNZ Conference 2021 has been postponed until 2022 and the Jesus Youth retreat for young adults - 'Exult 2021' has been cancelled. Please pray for the organising team as they make plans for 2022.

## An alternative opportunity has arisen online for us all.

**NSW Charismatic Retreat 18-19 September, 11am - 6.30pm NZ time.** Come and be refreshed by the Holy Spirit. Conducted by Fr Hugh Thomas CSsR and Fr Tony Alex MGL. See attached flyer or register here <u>https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/a-2-</u> <u>day-charismatic-retreat-tickets-168708747405</u> No charge.

A note from Anne Lovell, our Charisnz intercession coordinator. Father Tony Alex was at ICPE in Wellington. He is now in Sydney with the MGL's (Missionaries of God's Love is a Charismatic order). He is an inspirational teacher and leader in the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit. We would highly recommend that you register for this retreat and be inspired, refreshed and renewed by the Holy Spirit.

# Other Faith opportunities for you during Lockdown

Daily Rosary 8am. Lectio Divina 10am Mon-Sat (the day's Gospel) and 8pm(the next days' Gospel) on zoom during lockdown with Fr James from St Patricks and St Joseph's Cathedral. Sunday 11/9/21 8pm Movie night. Mary's Land. I enjoyed this movie investigating Mary's apparitions through a sceptic's eye https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9194320978?pwd=aWwvd1NJdWtuWW5RbUJ4YnpiZWZXdz09 Meeting ID 919 432 0978 passcode 6163

**Free virtual Conference**: 17-19 September: **What to say to family members and other people who have walked away from the faith.** For more info and to register <u>https://go.virtualcatholicconference.com/Faith</u>

**Saturday 11/09, 7pm Light of Hope // Online concert with Fr. Chris Skinner** Join us for an evening of spirit-filled worship, led by the fantastic Fr. Chris Skinner. Video available on Bishop Pat's Facebook page. <u>https://www.facebook.com/bishoppatrick</u>

Saturday 18/09, 8pm An Evening with Internationally Acclaimed Speaker and

**Musician, Fr Rob Galea!** Zoom to share practical ways that we can overcome fear and pursue our God-given potential. https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82124381475

Watch The Chosen, A TV series about the life of Jesus. https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen/watch?ap=trueOME

**Listen to an interview with Dr Mary Healy**, guest speaker at Charis NZ conference. Matt Fradd interviews Mary Healy. 77 minutes but if you have time it's worth listening to. Mary shares her testimony, answers various questions about the Charismatic Renewal, and touches on some other isssues. <u>https://youtu.be/M7HIm-BX3PA</u>

# Visit some of the prayer groups online.

**Orewa 7.15pm Wednesdays,** Email to John <u>johnlanigan001@gmail.com</u> for a weekly invite.

Takapuna: Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm.meeting ID 221 617 839PW 295342

Pakuranga: Thursdays at 7.30pm? Contact Mike for link. quilon1913@gmail.com

**Blockhouse Bay: 7pm Fridays** (6.45pm Rosary) Contact Geraldine to get weekly invite, corray@tamaki.ac.nz

Mairangi Bay: Mondays 7.30pm Rosary on Zoom, contact deidre.broome@gmail.com

# More events from the Diocese for youth and young adults, but may interest you too

**Sunday Mass**. from 5.30pm Saturday night (as per a Vigil Mass time) to the Youtube channel Auckland Catholic https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCb7o1XYfQet-mOW1mJSzfow It is also broadcast on Shine TV Sundays at 2.00pm Free-to-air TV Channel 25, Sky TV Channel 201.

Friday 10/09, 7pm **Movie Night – My Sister's Keeper** Grab some popcorn and end the week with a movie night! The Auckland Catholic Tertiary Chaplaincy will be watching My Sister's Keeper, followed by some discussion about the film. <u>https://www.facebook.com/TheChaplains</u>

Monday 13/09, 6:15pm CYAC Vocations Series: **A Journey to the Priesthood** The Catholic Young Adults Community continues their Vocations Series this week! Tune in to hear newly-ordained priest, Fr. Isaac Fransen, share about his personal journey towards priesthood. https://www.facebook.com/events/1298302237259435

Tuesday 14/09, 7pm **Exploring the Book of Revelation** with Robert Loretz. Looking for an evening of faith formation? This Tuesday, Robert Loretz and the Auckland Catholic Tertiary Chaplaincy team will be exploring one of the most fascinating books of the Bible, the book of Revelation. <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/1011473819426730/</u>

Wednesday 15/09, 7pm Livin' in Lockdown #4 // Mental Health Join the ACYM team for a laidback, radio talk-show style event for youth & young adults on Facebook Live. This week, we're tackling the very important topic of mental health. https://www.facebook.com/AKCYM

# Reading material August newsletter from NSWCCR

# ACCR Prayer intentions

Service group, their families and initiatives Charis NZ executive team New members for Service Group Unity in the Spirit for all the Renewal groups in Auckland Prayer group leaders and prayer group initiatives For all members of the renewal who are sick Youth initiatives All those affected by Covid 19 Persecuted Christians Replenish Healing Centre. https://givealittle.co.nz/org/replenish-respite-and-healing-trust

## Regular events

Prayer groups: See website for meeting places and times. http://www.catholiccharismatic.org.nz

#### Healing Ministry:

After the 7.30pm Mass every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (except December and January) at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Glenfield. Enquiries Contact Ramiz 027 201 0302.

Note: Lilian Iskander and her Good Shepherd Group volunteer for **NZ prayerline** every Monday 7:30pm-9:00pm. Call 0800 508 080.

Dove Catholic Fellowship for women: Monthly meetings include praise and worship, speakers,

prayer ministry and fellowship.

North Shore Dove: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays, 7.30pm. Venue: St. Thomas More Church, 366 Wairau Road, Glenfield, Auckland 0629. All warmly invited. For more information contact Sylvia Hartley 09 443 7477 email: aldonsylvia@gmail.com

West Auckland Dove: in formation. Contact Brenda Hill 028 407 3273 South Auckland Dove: in formation. Contact Grace Rowland 027 624 3842

**Joshua Fellowship:** a Catholic men's fellowship. 7.30pm – 9.30pm every last Wednesday at St Joseph's Centre, Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna. **C**ontact: Russell at **022 034 5678** or www.joshua.org.nz