March 2020- ACCR Sign of the Times

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ACCR APOSTOLATE VISION

To see the restoration of all the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as a normal part of Catholic Church life, and 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.

ACCR APOSTOLATE MISSION STATEMENT

ACCR seeks to serve the Catholic Church by being one of the agents and instruments of the Holy Spirit working for the ongoing renewal and growth of the Church today.

We seek to participate with the Holy Spirit in the renewal of the Church by:

- Working to lead all people to a close, personal and lasting relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord of all aspects of their lives.
- Fostering the Baptism (or Release) of the Holy Spirit, received in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, as a means of deepening the work of the Holy Spirit in the Catholic Church and in the lives of individuals.
- Encouraging the use of the charismatic gifts as an accepted and regular part of life in the Catholic Church.
- Encouraging people to participate fully in the life of their parish.

Message from Deidre, chairperson of ACCR.

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Isaiah 58:6

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, I have accepted the role of chairperson for the ACCR for the present time. We owe a very big thank you to Anil who carried out this role faithfully for 9 years. Anil was willing to continue his leadership as we went through times of change, the most recent one being the setting up of CHARIS in Rome.

It's Lent and the daily readings have been very specific as to what God wants of us. We have a chance to put Isaiah 58:6 into practice this month as we have invited Fr John back to Auckland. This is our chance to help others find freedom from the burdens they are carrying.

Our main outreach will be at Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby, on March 21st 9.30 to 12.30pm with a similar format to last November. However Father was also keen to respond to previous requests so we have some extra healing services this time at Manurewa, Takapuna and Tuakau. **We need lots of intercessory prayer and lots of helpers for prayer ministry, greeting, hospitality etc. Please text me or email me saying how you can help. Deidre 021 02251103 or aucklandccr@gmail.co**

Commissioning service 1.30pm- 3.30pm, 21st March, after the Healing outreach at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont St, Ponsonby.

In order to help us grow in using our gifts to help others we have asked Father to encourage and empower us by talking about his journey in the healing ministry, and then praying and commissioning each of us to go out and serve. **Be empowered in your gifting.** "Not by might, nor by power but by my Spirit says the Lord Almighty." (Zechariah 4:6) We hope all of you will accept the invitation to come along. Our families, prayer groups, communities, churches and city need people who are serving in the power of the Holy Spirit.

On April 30 to May 3 Australia is having a national launch of CHARIS in Sydney. Jean-Luc Moens, who is the international leader of CHARIS, will be there and afterwards he is coming to NZ. He will be in Auckland on May 9th so I hope many of you will come to meet him and hear what is happening in Charismatic Renewal throughout the world.

On March 14th the service group has invited prayer group leaders to send a rep or two to meet with us for prayer, discernment and fellowship. We look forward to catching up with you.

In time I will try to visit each prayer group. Please keep me, service group members, one another and our families in your prayer.

God bless you,

Deidre

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

| March 14 | Service group meet with Prayer group leaders or reps. |
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| March 21 st | Fr John Rea healing outreach 9.30-12ish followed by a teaching and commissioning session 1.30-3.30pm. Be empowered in your gifts. Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby. |
| March 24 - 27 | Healing services with Fr John Rea at Manurewa, Takapuna and Tuakau. See Poster. |
| May 9 th | Meet Jean-Luc, Charis International Moderator at Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby 11am – 3pm (Time tbc) |
| May 30 th : | Saturday morning: Pentecost Vigil gathering for all at Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby. |
| June 20th | Dr Mary Healy- Chair of the Doctrinal Commission of CHARIS speaking in Wellington. |
| July 19- 26 | The first international Charis Youth training course in Rome. |

A Day with Fr John Rea: Healing Service followed by Commissioning

Saturday March 21st at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont St, Ponsonby.

9.30am – 12ish: Healing Service: Praise and Worship, breaking of the Word and prayer ministry.

Please come along and invite/bring family, friends, neighbours, workmates etc.

1.30pm-3.30pm Empowerment in the gifts and Commissioning: Praise and Worship, Teaching, Question time, and Commissioning Prayer

The charismatic gifts are given to us to be used for the good of others. Father John Rea

will share about his journey, how he has stepped out in faith, using the gifts to pray for healing and miracles. Then he will pray for us to increase our gifts and commission us to go out and share them. All welcome. Bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Use your gifts: We need prayer ministers to help Father John at Ponsonby, and also at Manurewa (Tuesday 24th 7pm), Takapuna (Wednesday 25th 7.30pm) and Tuakau (Friday 27th 7pm.)

Please contact Deidre 021 022 51103 or aucklandccr@gmail.com

Come and hear Jean-Luc Moens, May 9th 11am – 3pm (exact time tbc) Jean-Luc is the leader of the international CHARIS team appointed to lead CHARIS for the first 3 years. Jean-Luc will speak about Charis and answer questions. Our new auxillary Bishop, Bishop Michael Gielen will join us. Everyone welcome. Shared Lunch.

Venue: Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont St, Ponsonby.

Keep this date free: May 30th: Saturday Pentecost Vigil event for all Currents of Grace.

Message from Diana, National Chairperson:

Reminder: 19th - 26th JULY: The first international Charis Youth training course in Rome. Contact Deidre for more information 021 022 51103

News from the prayer groups

Orewa prayer group:

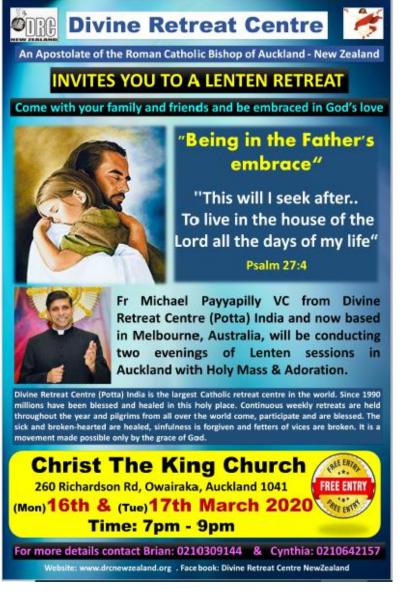
We will participate in the World Day of Prayer on Friday 1st at Manly Methodist Church.

We will be hosting a DVD 6 week course called THE GIFT – A Life in the Spirit Seminar. Dates: April 22nd – May 27th in the hall at St John's Church, 180 Centreway Rd Orewa. 7.15 – 9 pm with supper to follow. All welcome, no charge, donations welcome.

This is a very engaging presentation – similar to ALPHA in format, and is lively, aimed at youth as well as older folk. It features lots of inspirational testimonies from people of all ages including Priests, and Popes. It is very Catholic. The CaFe series produce this British programme.

Episcopal Ordination of the most Reverend Michael Gielen DD on Saturday 7 March at 11.00am at Vodafone Event Centre in Manukau City.

DRC invites you to join them for a Lenten Retreat, March 16, 17 at 7pm-9pm. See flyer below.



ACCR Prayer intentions

Service group NSC 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 including follow up to the Young Catholic Leaders Summit Dec 6-8

Persecuted Christians

The Replenish Healing Centre. For the new Host, helpers and financial support. Many of the guests are struggling financially. The centre near Christchurch is run by Catholic Charismatics! <u>https://givealittle.co.nz/org/replenish-respite-and-healing-trust</u>

Regular events

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

HSI Schools of Discipleship

Please contact Mike Lobo mlobo@titan.co.nz for info re Schools of Discipleship.

Healing Ministry:

After the 7.30pm Mass every 3rd 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 praying for callers from all around NZ. The number to call for prayer is 0800 50 80 80.

Dove Catholic Fellowship for women: Monthly meetings (include prayer ministry and fellowship)

West Auckland Dove: 1st Tuesdays at 7.30pm **at St Michael and all Angels Anglican Church** - 425 Great North Road, Henderson. Contact Jane 0211178977 or Teresa 838 9969

North Shore Dove:3rd 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 7477email: aldonsylvia@gmail.com

South Auckland Dove: last Tuesdays, **7. 30pm at St Anne's Parish Hall,** 126 Russell Rd, Manurewa. Contact Grace Rowland 09 577 3479 or 027 624 3842

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