



**NEWSLETTER  
February 2025**

**Chairperson's message**

**He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. 2 Timothy 1:9a**

In January Nigel and Noel hosted a prayer group meeting each Tuesday. On the last Tuesday a number of attendees gave testimonies and thanks for the opportunity to attend. One testimony is in this newsletter.

At one meeting Nigel showed a video about Repentance.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1hIWDgB6qkE&t=339s> What spoke to me was the message that we will not change our ways unless we really commit ourselves to a new way. You could watch and discuss this 8 minute video at a prayer group meeting.

Do you keep taking the same sin to Reconciliation? Lent is coming. This is a time when we are asked to focus on growing in holiness. Maybe this recurring sin or bad habit is what we need to work on this Lent.

On Feb 22 we had a retreat for ACCPGN prayer group members titled Pursuing Gods Purpose. I give thanks to Noel Tauro and Nigel Fernandes for the prayer and time they put into preparing for this retreat. Also I give thanks to Fr Rory, the whole service group and to members of the prayer groups and others who stepped up to help make the day a special one.

Antonio Pereira spoke about our need to discern God's purpose. He gave us 5 keys to pursuing God's purpose, relating these to the Gospel story of the disciples catching many fish. Luke 5:1-11. Steps 1. Pursue God with all your heart. 2. Know God will direct you through his Word so read it and reflect on what you read. 3. Expect God to move supernaturally, step out in faith. 4. Be humble. Even when successful remember your need for God. 5. Know God has better plans for you.

Richard Pereira spoke on Union with God. The message was based on John 17. eg John 17:21b **'As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.'** When we develop our relationship with God through quiet prayer time, we will be filled with his love and this love will flow from us to others.

**Charis International is releasing a new Life in the Spirit package this Easter.** It will be available free. Each week there will be a specialist giving a 30-minute teaching, and two short testimonies. There will also be music ministry from a different cultures. For more information see <https://www.charis.international/en/new-life-in-the-spirit-seminar/>

Please continue to keep all members of the Renewal in your prayers as we pray for you.

**Deidre and team.**

### Our Vision

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

### Mission Statement

ACCPGN 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.

<b>Coming events</b> More info <a href="#">see newsletter and flyers</a>	
<b>March 19, 26, and 29</b>	<b>Healing of Family Tree Seminar open to all.</b> Zoom and Sacred Heart Parish Church, Vermont St, Ponsonby
<b>April 4, 5 and 12</b>	<b>Inner Healing Retreat for all</b> , organised by Betsy Rego. Venue St Dominics, Blockhouse Bay
<b>March 10th 7.30pm</b>	<b>Joshua Auckland</b> "How to be Salt and Light in an Age of Crisis and Confusion" Venue St Mark's Catholic Church, 334 Pakuranga Road.
<b>Feb 14 2026</b>	<b>Praise in the Park</b>

**Healing of the Family Tree Seminar** conducted by Fr Rory Morrissey with the support of ACCPGN service group. See Flyer attached. Please attend all 3 sessions.

Wed 19th and 26th on Zoom at 7.30pm, 2 talks by Fr Rory, explanation and preparation for the Mass. Saturday March 29th, 9.30am -11.30am, Healing of the Family Tree Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby. Cuppa available after the mass.

Registration compulsory asap at [bit.ly/ACCPGN-HFT](http://bit.ly/ACCPGN-HFT) (Note this is case sensitive). The zoom link will be sent to registered emails closer to March 19th. Enquiries email [aucklandccr@gmail.com](mailto:aucklandccr@gmail.com)



AUCKLAND CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP NETWORK

## HEALING OF THE FAMILY TREE

Conducted by Fr Rory Morrissey  
(2 sessions and Mass)

BREAK GENERATIONAL CURSES THROUGH THE POWER OF JESUS CHRIST

HEAL NEGATIVE FAMILY TRAITS

HELP FUTURE GENERATIONS EXPERIENCE FREEDOM AND TRANSFORMATION

PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES (LIVING & DECEASED)

**2 SESSIONS**  
**Wednesdays**  
**19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> March**  
**7:30pm to 9 pm**  
**On Zoom**

**MASS**  
**Saturday**  
**29<sup>th</sup> March**  
**9:30am to 11:30am**  
**Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby**

**Registration Compulsory**

Zoom details will be emailed closer to 19<sup>th</sup> March  
Please register here:  
[bit.ly/ACCPGN-HFT](http://bit.ly/ACCPGN-HFT)

## More Formation for Healing Ministry

On February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, we begin working through the topics in the B School training manual. I have sent a separate email about this. If you have been baptised in the Holy Spirit and already have some prayer ministry experience you are welcome to join us. Find out more at <https://cometotheriver.nz/sea-of-galilee-training-schools> Contact [deidre.broome@gmail.com](mailto:deidre.broome@gmail.com) if you want to join us. The course works best if you buy a Manual, \$30 available from Deidre.

## New resource for Life in the Spirit Seminar

Pope Francis has asked all Charismatic groups to host Life in the Spirit Seminars. Charis International is releasing a new Life in the Spirit package this Easter. Free to all but donations requested. Each week there will be a specialist giving a 30-minute teaching. There will also be two short testimonies- A personal-pastoral one in line with the theme and a personal one given by a renowned personality who has turned her | his heart to Christ. There will also be music ministry each week from a different world culture.

**How it can be used:** In small or large groups. As a complete package or as a resource along with your own input or music ministry. For more information see <https://www.charis.international/en/new-life-in-the-spirit-seminar/>

## Jesus My Light Ministry

invites you to

# A Inner Healing Retreat



**Friday 4 April 2025 (6.30pm – 9pm)**  
**Saturday 5 April 2025 (9.30am – 5pm)**  
**Saturday 12 April 2025 (9.30 am – 5pm)**  
(All days Inclusive)

**at St Dominic's Church,**  
(32 Bolton St, Blockhousebay, Auckland)

'But he was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The punishment that brought us peace was on him, And by his wounds we are healed'. **Isaiah 53: 5**

<p>Holy Mass Praise &amp; Worship Teaching Adoration Reconciliation Testimony</p>	 <p>Teachings &amp; prayer For healing of past wounds, Emotional wounds and its effects, Healing relationships, Praying over for Healing</p>	
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**Come and be healed' Spirit, Soul and Body'**

Please bring your Bible, Notebook, Lunch; Tea /Coffee will be provided  
Contact: **Betsy Rego: 0211653856; Reggie Rego: 0274040129**

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**Inner Healing Retreat:** organised by Betsy Rego from **Jesus My Light prayer group.**

Wounds of the past that go back to childhood can affect us adversely and be stumbling blocks in our journey towards God. Jesus our Divine Healer can uncover and heal these wounds that prevent union with God. Come and experience the healing love of Jesus and be affirmed in your true identity as a beloved child of God at the Inner Healing Retreat.

Please register at <https://www.facebook.com/share/1BN6bd1vJM/>



**St John's prayer group** has become involved in a new **Joy Healing Ministry** initiated by Cathy Allen who had the vision and skill to coordinate this. We have been training people to become prayer partners. The Joy Healing Ministry will be commissioned by our new PP Fr Chris Denham at Mass on Sunday 9th March after which we will invite people to come forward for prayer. Teams of two people will pray up front of church near the altar. Please pray for this ministry to flourish. We have a special prayer for intercessors and will hopefully get many to cover the ministry. Meanwhile we will probably host another LSS after Easter.

### **Praise in the Park**

We are excited to announce that the ACCPGN are planning a praise and worship concert, titled "Praise in the Park" on 14 February 2026. As psalm 150:6 says, "Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!" The main purpose of this event is to make Jesus known and loved.

We will need help with various ministries, including singing, publicity & advertising, sponsorships, organising and prayer intercessors. We'll also need prayer ministers and evangelisers for the actual day.

If you would like to learn more about the concert or if you would like to commit to be part of the team in any of the above ministries, please get in touch by emailing [contact@praiseinthepark.nz](mailto:contact@praiseinthepark.nz).

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### **Gather 25, 25 hours of Global Prayer was held on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

Hear about amazing things that God is doing in Christian churches around the world.

Go to the link and you can also see replays and key moments

[https://live.gather25.com/?gad\\_source=1&gclid=Cj0KCQiA2oW-BhC2ARIsADSIAWoc-qxhzVOKeLWT4r8nqMxEPSFBRpeE7KRVPNaVB9hpfSEMufp9nQaAoJWEALw\\_wcB](https://live.gather25.com/?gad_source=1&gclid=Cj0KCQiA2oW-BhC2ARIsADSIAWoc-qxhzVOKeLWT4r8nqMxEPSFBRpeE7KRVPNaVB9hpfSEMufp9nQaAoJWEALw_wcB)

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### **Joshua Auckland invites you all " How to be Salt and Light in an Age of Crisis and Confusion"** by **Brendan Malone.**

When - Monday 10th March

Where- St Mark's Catholic Church. 334 Pakuranga Road.

Time - 7 pm for a 7.30pm start.

Who- ALL welcome

Supper will be tasty . See you there, brothers & sisters in Christ.

Please spread the word & bring a friend.

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**Safeguarding Reminder:** Everyone who works with children and vulnerable adults needs to attend a Safeguarding workshop, and get police vetted every 3 years. You can do this through your parish. Safeguarding workshops can be attended live or on zoom.

Next online workshops are 13<sup>th</sup> March, 8<sup>th</sup> April and 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. Contact Lisa-May for a zoom link. Lisa-May Gray [Lisam@cda.org.nz](mailto:Lisam@cda.org.nz)

## **Charis NZ updates**

Note : On December 7<sup>th</sup> , 2024 Helen Smithson stood down and Josie Olsen was chosen to be the new Charis NZ Coordinator.

### **Here is a message from Josie**

We need to fall in love with Jesus again. Whatever ministry we are in, I sense we are being called to become deeper in Christ, to be filled with Jesus. To be so in love with Christ, that wherever the wind blows we know we are on solid rock. As we become more filled with Jesus, we become that fountain of Living Water, Jesus is revealed in us to others. The deeper our relationship with Christ, and the more we rely on Him for everything and have more trust, even in the mundane, the greater we will see the power of the Holy Spirit work through us and our ministries. Our Lady, if we ask, will lead us into a deeper union with her Son, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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### **New Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women Initiative**

New initiative called "Dovecotes" for the women of New Zealand. Dove Leadership Team invite you to prayerfully consider joining us by forming a Dovecote group in your parish. To form a Dovecote, two or more women, would gather regularly for prayer and support. You can meet in person or on line. For more information see the Dovecotes pack attached or check out our website: [www.dove.org.nz](http://www.dove.org.nz) to get to know more about us.

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### **Testimonies**

I attended the January led praise n worship sessions and must admit that every Tuesday it was as if God was speaking to me personally with the messages directly for me. It was like a weight that lifted off me and I felt light as a feather.

God message for me through each praise n worship and sharing was so apt.

Thank you for confirming that I am a child of God whose love and kindness never ceases. He forgives our sins and wipes them away. He promises to stay with us at all times.

God is calling me to have an intimate relationship with him each morning and I owe it to the meetings in January at Ponsonby.

A testimony by a woman whose life was changed by Jesus.

[https://youtu.be/UXX-n2xqnnU?si=HmMpHd954\\_FtloJQ](https://youtu.be/UXX-n2xqnnU?si=HmMpHd954_FtloJQ)

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### **Lenten retreat online in your own time.**

Pray More Lenten Retreat starts March 6<sup>th</sup>. You will receive: 15 Video & Audio Presentations with Transcripts, and 15 Reflective Study Guides - one for each talk

The talks are focused on prayer, the season of Lent and learning more about the Lord through Scripture. Register <https://praymoreretreat.org/2025-lent-retreat/>

## Good resources for prayer groups and individuals

Charis UK videos on various topics can now be Downloaded for free as they are moving to a free streamed service for the future. <https://www.charisuk.com/cafe-ondemand>

Michelle Moran (past leader of ICCRS) says 'Leadership is for everybody, it flows from the grace of our Baptism. If you're short of time the main message is from 5 min up to 25 min.

<https://www.shalomworld.org/episode/leadership-in-catholic-parishes-michelle-moran>

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## A helpful hint from Christian broadcasting association. CBA

### How to check if News or photos are fake News

AI's capabilities are growing, including its ability to generate increasingly realistic photos. The good news is that there are ways to figure out what's real and what's not. Here are two quick and easy methods to try -

1. Try a reverse Google Image search - Popping an image into Google's reverse search functionality will show you where else it is being used and if these are legitimate, trustworthy sources. [Click here](#) for a tutorial.

2. Try fact-checking by asking Google - As we've done below, a quick search of 'Did the Hollywood sign burn in the 2025 LA fires' resulted in articles from verifiable news sources that revealed the images were, in fact, fake.

## **ACCPGN Retreat Day**

22 February 2025 / Sacred Heart Parish Hall



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