

## March 2018 - 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.

## A Message from Anil, ACCR Chairperson

### Wisdom 16:21... and the bread ministering to the desire of the one who took it was changed to suit everyone's liking

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I hope you are having a joy filled Lent.

In our multicultural society of today there is a lament that culture is winning the battle against faith. In a sense we limit God to our human nature. But God is far greater than any human limitations. In the scripture verse above the manna that God gave not only ministered to each one's desire but was changed to suit everyone's liking. If I want to go out for a meal and I want Chinese food I will have to go to a Chinese restaurant or to an Italian restaurant for Italian food. But with God whatever food he gives me will be changed to minister to my desire and to suit my taste. What a wonderful revelation of God. We need to keep this in mind when we minister to others. Many people who do ministry are more focused on their ministry than the person they are called to minister to. God is always for the individual person because he created us individually, not as an assembly line of people coming out of a machine. If we want to attract people to our group we need to work for the benefit of the individual rather than for our group.

I am inspired by the number of people who have been attending the healing of the family tree seminar. I pray that they may experience a mighty healing in their family.

On Saturday March 3rd we had a meeting for leaders or representatives of all Charismatic Renewal groups in Auckland to share about their ministries. Thanks to Brian Hines for organising this.

God be with you as you continue on your Lenten journey. Have a Blessed Easter.

Once again thank you for all your efforts in spreading the kingdom.

Please continue to keep the renewal and the programmes in your prayers.

God bless,

**Anil.**

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

**March 14th: Final session for Healing of the Family, Ponsonby.**

**March 17 th and 24th:** 9.30am - 5.30pm **Lenten Inner Healing Retreat**, at Holy Cross Church, Henderson.

**April 16th - May 28th: Life in the Spirit Seminar:** St Johns, Mairangi Bay. Mondays 7-9pm,

**Apr 15 - 30: Fr Joseph Victor:** available for teachings, masses and spiritual direction.

April 18th: 7.30pm Teaching at JGS prayer group meeting, Milford

April 25th: 7-9pm mass at Blockhouse Bay

May 2nd: 7-9pm mass at Holy Cross, Henderson

April 21-22: Couples Retreat St Josephs Church, Takapuna.

**May 20: Pentecost:** 4-6pm, Lamb of God invite us all to join them at Christ the King Parish, Owairaka for Praise and Worship, prayer and fellowship.

**June 9, 16, 23 and 30th: Life in the Spirit Seminar: 7pm** run by St. Vincent de Paul Prayer Group (SVDP) at **St. Vincent de Paul Church, Milford.**

**July 27 - 29: Dove Camp Auckland :**

**Aug 18: Breakthrough Concert:** (to be confirmed)

**Sept 28-30: Joshua Camp:** MAX18NZ National Catholic Mens Camp at Kings College, Otahuhu at [www.max18nz.info](http://www.max18nz.info)

**Scroll down for more information**

**Lenten Inner Healing Retreat:** Saturdays 17th and 24th March, (please attend both days). Venue: Holy Cross Church, Henderson. Lead by Jesus My Light Inner Healing Ministry from Blockhouse Bay prayer group. 9.30am - 5.30pm. Starts with mass. All welcome, No fee, love offering accepted. Enquiries Betsy 0211653856, [betsjes@gmail.com](mailto:betsjes@gmail.com) **See the poster attached.**

**Fr Joseph Victor** will be back in Auckland from **Apr 15 - 30** and available for teachings, masses and spiritual direction. Please contact Mary Pudota if you want more information, [mary.pudota2@anz.com](mailto:mary.pudota2@anz.com)

## Update from Diana Ingle,, NZCCR chairperson

Attached is the February Currents of Grace update from Diana. She tells us about CCR international and national news. In December she attended an ICCRS subcommittee (ISAO) meeting in Singapore. In April she will attend the first ISAO Youth gathering in Taiwan and the Australian NSG meeting in Sydney. In May our National Service Committee meeting in Tauranga. In December she has an ISAO Regional Conference and Committee meeting in Dubai. Contact Diana if you would like to attend the conference in Dubai.

### Prayer requests from Diana

1. Our NZCCR website has mysteriously disappeared and we are trying to get it restored could everyone please pray for that.

2. Replenish is a gift from God for the whole Catholic/Christian community. It is a beautiful home in a peaceful rural setting in Rangiora. Replenish provides the opportunity for people to "come away and rest a while" with Jesus. There is the opportunity to have prayer ministry or Emotionally Free Healing ministry. There is a beautiful wee Chapel on site plus a conference room.

**We need a couple to "host" visitors to this beautiful place for one year.** So please keep this in prayer and ask The Lord for names to approach. If you know of any couples who are able to take a sabbatical for a year please contact me so I can pass on the details.

3. Please pray about becoming a financial supporter of the new work of Current of Grace. More info in the Feb CCR update attached.

## CCR 2018 and Currents of Grace

**One new single service for international CCR - An excerpt from ICCRS Update 14/9/17**

"In this new time of the Spirit it is our intention that the service at the international level should be lived in a similar way at continental and national levels. **So we ask you to do all that you can to deepen the communion between all the expressions of CCR in your nations and regions. Respecting their diversity, foster dialogue and if necessary reconciliation between the various realities.** This will help towards closer collaboration in the future."

## Gathering of Auckland charismatic groups.

On Saturday 3rd March, leaders (or their representatives) from 8 different streams of charismatic spirituality in Auckland, all but one Apostolates of the Catholic Bishop of Auckland, met at St Joseph's Centre and shared briefly about their groups and what they do. Groups represented were: ACCR,

Dove, DRC, HSI Schools, Jesus Youth, Jesus the Good Shepherd PG, Joshua and Lamb of God Catholic Fellowship. Two other groups couldn't make it at the last minute. Fr Rory Morrissey also attended the meeting as the Bishop's representative and celebrated Mass after the sharing.

This was a great opportunity to hear about the vision, goals and activities of each group and to put faces to the various leaders. There was time for fellowship too. All our groups are lead by the Holy Spirit and we are all working for the same Lord.

Thanks to Brian Hines for organising this meeting. Thanks also to his helpers from Orewa Prayer Group.



### **Thank you.**

On behalf of ACCR a big thank you to Margaret Paton. Over the last few months she has spent many voluntary hours tidying, sorting and filing paper work for ACCR and NSC.

### **Margaret Foster**

Before her death Zoe passed on to Service group a carton of notebooks that had belonged to Margaret Foster. These appear to be prayer journals but there may be prophecies included. If anyone would like to have these to read please contact Deidre Broome, at [aucklandccr@gmail.com](mailto:aucklandccr@gmail.com)

### **News from the prayer groups:**

**Life in the Spirit Seminars:** Please keep these seminars and their leaders in Prayer.

1. **Feb 28 - April 4:** Life in the Spirit series of talks: Wednesdays 7.30 -9.15pm at Milford Church with JGSPG.
2. **April 16 - May 28:** At St Johns, East Coast Bays parish Iorganised by JGSPG mission team.
3. **June 9th - 30th:** at Milford Church. A Life in the Spirit Seminar organised by St Vincent de Paul prayer group, 4 Saturday evenings from 7pm.

### **A message from Josie, NZCCR intercessory leader**

Hanachi from Syria has asked for prayer. So much bombing and killing of woman and children. Please pray for peace there

### **A learning opportunity online**

**The Formation Day on Making Disciples with Dr. Mary Healy on March 18th**  
**This will be live streamed** - you can watch from anywhere in the world and if you are registered you can watch for up to 30 days after. ([click here for details](#)).

You can register right now at [www.makingdisciples2018.com](http://www.makingdisciples2018.com). You can register for one person or a group.

Dr. Mary Healy is professor of Sacred Scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit and an international speaker on topics related to Scripture, evangelization, healing, and the spiritual life. Dr. Healy is chair of the Doctrinal Commission of International Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services in Rome. She serves the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian unity as a member of the Pentecostal-Catholic International Dialogue. In 2014 Pope Francis appointed her as one of the first three women ever to serve on the Pontifical Biblical Commission.

### **Some reading:**

**Feb CCR Update from Diana is attached.**

**NSW CCR Feb-March newsletter is attached.** This includes a report on the talks at their January retreat and advertises events coming up including a NSC training school on Discernment on 24-26 August at Victoria.

### **ACCR Prayer intentions**

Service group

Diana Ingle, National Service Committee and all CCR Leaders

For the intentions of ISAO and ICCRS

New members for Service Group

Healing of the family tree seminar

Life in the Spirit seminars

Prayer group leaders and prayer group initiatives

For all members of the renewal who are sick

Youth, particularly those involved in CCR

Conversion of ISIS leaders and members

Persecuted Christians

### **Regular events**

**Prayer groups:** See website for meeting places and times.

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### **2017 -2018 Schools of Discipleship**

**Herne Bay and Ponsonby parishes: Tuesdays 7.30pm.** Venue: Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Ponsonby. **Contact Mike Lobo** [mlobo@titan.co.nz](mailto:mlobo@titan.co.nz)

**East Coast Bays: Mondays 7.30pm.** Venue: St Francis Church Hall, Torbay. **Contact Kevin Farrell** [kevinruthf@xtra.co.nz](mailto:kevinruthf@xtra.co.nz)

**St John Vianney, Hillsborough: Sundays 4.30pm.** **Contact Viveka** [viveka.d@icloud.com](mailto:viveka.d@icloud.com)

**St Dominics, Blockhouse Bay: Fridays 7.30pm** **Contact Reggis Rego** [r\\_rego@hotmail.com](mailto:r_rego@hotmail.com)

**St Marks, Pakuranga, Thursdays 7.30pm.** **Contact Gerard De Silva** [desilva.sriyan@gmail.com](mailto:desilva.sriyan@gmail.com)

**St Marys, Papakura Youth**, Wednesday 7pm. **Contact Mike Lobo** [mlobo@titan.co.nz](mailto:mlobo@titan.co.nz)

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**Healing Ministry:** Available after the 7.30pm Mass every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 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 prayers is 0800 50 80 80.

**Home Group Bible Study** at Schnapper Rock, Northshore: Call or text Ramiz 027 201 0302

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

**West Auckland Dove:** 1<sup>st</sup> 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:** **Note: 2018 March meeting is on March 14th.** Normally 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays, 7.30pm.

**Venue: St. Thomas More Church, 366 Wairau Road, Glenfield, Auckland 0629.** All warmly invited.

2018 theme for the year is TO BE LIKE JESUS. March speaker is Linda Fisher and the topic is PATIENCE.

For more information contact Sylvia Hartley - 09 443 7477 email: [aldonsylvia@gmail.com](mailto: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. **Note: 2018 March meeting is on March 21st. Usually** 7.30pm – 9.30pm every last Wednesday at St Josephs Centre, Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna. Contact: Basil ph 4435755 or 0272612585 or [www.joshua.org.nz](http://www.joshua.org.nz)