

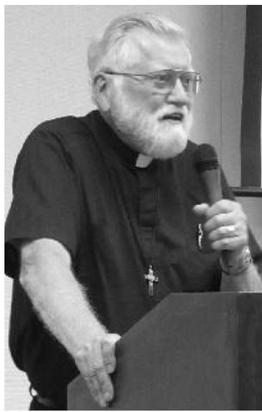


*A Radiant Church  
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# **A VOICE IN THE DESERT**

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**Father Bill Adams and "Heart of Jesus" Prayer Team From LA Taught a Life in the Spirit Seminar at the Diocese of Phoenix on June 21 (see story page 5)**

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**Healing Masses**

Charismatic masses followed by the laying on of hands for healing are celebrated throughout the year at parish churches in the Diocese of Phoenix.

For information on how to set up a healing mass at your parish contact Marge Chavez at 480-201-6691.

**A Pilgrimage with the Holy Spirit Day of Retreat and Reflection**

In this one-day retreat we learn what the scriptures and the church tell us about the Holy Spirit and simple, practical ways to personally experience the Holy Spirit in our lives.

For information on setting up a Pilgrimage with the Holy Spirit Day of Retreat and Reflection at your parish contact Tom Beale at 623-878-6488.

**Life In The Spirit Seminars**

Life in the Spirit Seminars serve as an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. They provide teaching, guidance, and prayer leading to a new and deeper relationship with the Lord. They are an invitation to make or renew a deep personal commitment to Jesus Christ in openness to the Holy Spirit and His gifts. Seminars are given throughout the year at parish churches in the Diocese of Phoenix.

For information about how to set up a Life in the Spirit Seminar at your parish contact Tom Beale at 623-878-6488.

**Valley Wide Charismatic Events**

Valley Wide Charismatic Events are open to everyone from the entire diocese of Phoenix and are held throughout the year. Events may include praise and worship, teachings, prayer, and fellowship.

For information on setting up an Event contact Marge Chavez at 480-201-6691. For information on upcoming Events visit our website.

**Weekly Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group Meetings**

Weekly charismatic prayer group meetings are held at many parishes throughout the valley where there is praise and worship, teaching, sharing, prayer ministry and fellowship. These meetings provide a place for the formation of close friendships with other charismatic Catholics in a local area and encourage growth in the use of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and a life lived in the Holy Spirit.

For information on starting a prayer group at your parish or to locate a weekly prayer group meeting in your area contact Marge Chavez at 480-201-6691 or Marilyn Stewart at 480-969-9956.

**Young Adult Ministry**

Diocese of Phoenix CRM and "Simple Praise Ministry" music ministry present praise and worship, camp-outs, teachings, bible study, and young adult events and programs for our charismatic youth. For more information contact Jojo Concepcion at 623-229-6902.

**Intercessory Prayer**

Intercessory Prayer Ministry meets every Thursday at the Diocese of Phoenix after the 12:00PM Mass at St Mary's Basilica to pray exclusively for the needs of the Catholic Renewal Ministries. Leaders and prayer group representatives are encouraged to come to pray for their prayer group needs.

For more information contact Manuel and Bertha Murillo at 602-276-9100 or 602-799-2563.

**Worship Night**

To host a worship night— a time of praise and worship especially for youth and young adults (but all ages welcome), contact Jojo Concepcion at 623-229-6902.

**(Excerpts from the) ADDRESS OF POPE FRANCIS TO PARTICIPANTS IN THE 37TH NATIONAL CONVOCATION OF THE RENEWAL IN THE HOLY SPIRIT**  
*Olympic Stadium Sunday, 1 June 2014*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

.....You, the charismatic renewal, have received a great gift from the Lord. Your movement's birth was willed by the Holy Spirit to be "a current of grace in the Church and for the Church". This is your identity: to be a current of grace.

What is the very first gift of the Holy Spirit? It is the gift of himself, the one who is love and who makes us fall in love with Jesus. And this love changes our lives. That is why we speak of "being born again in the Spirit". It is what Jesus told Nicodemus. You have received the great gift of diversity of charisms, the diversity which becomes harmony in the Holy Spirit, and in service to the Church.

When I think of charismatics, I think of the Church herself, but in a particular way: I think of a great orchestra, where all the instruments and voices are different from one another, yet all are needed to create the harmony of the music. ...As in an orchestra, no one in the renewal can think of himself or herself as being more important or greater than the others...Because when you think of yourselves as more important or greater, disaster is already on the horizon! No one can say: "I am the head". Like the Church, you have only one head, one Lord: the Lord Jesus. ...And we can say this with the power given us by the Holy Spirit, since no one can say "Jesus is Lord" without the Holy Spirit. As you may know – because news gets around – in the first years of the charismatic renewal in Buenos Aires, I didn't care very much for charismatics. I used to think: "They strike me as some kind of samba school!" I didn't share their style of prayer or the many new things which were happening in the Church. Later, I got to know them and I finally realized all the good that the charismatic renewal was doing for the Church. And this story which began with the "samba school" had an unexpected ending: a few months before entering the conclave, I was named the spiritual assistant for the charismatic renewal in Argentina by the Conference of Bishops. The charismatic renewal is a great force meant to serve the preaching of the Gospel in the joy of the Holy Spirit. You received the Holy Spirit and he has made you appreciate

God's love for all his children; he has also made you love God's word...you charismatics always carried around a Bible...Keep the word of God with you always...read...it...

In the Malines Documents, you have a guide, a reliable path to keep you from going astray. The first document is *Theological and Pastoral Orientations*. The second is *Ecumenism and Charismatic Renewal*, written by Cardinal Suenens himself, an outstanding figure of the Second Vatican Council. The third is *Charismatic Renewal and Social Action*, written by Cardinal Suenens and Bishop Helder Camara.

This is your path: evangelization, spiritual ecumenism, caring for the poor and needy, and welcoming the marginalized. And all of it is based on worship! The foundation of the renewal is worshiping God!...

I expect you to share with everyone in the Church the grace of baptism in the Holy Spirit....I expect you to evangelize with the word of God, which proclaims that Jesus lives and that he loves all men and women. To give a witness of spiritual ecumenism to all our brothers and sisters of other Churches and Christian communities who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior. To remain united in the love that the Lord Jesus asks us to have for all people, and in prayer to the Holy Spirit for the attainment of this unity which is necessary for evangelization in the name of Jesus. Remember that "the charismatic renewal is *de facto* ecumenical in nature ...The Catholic renewal rejoices in what the Holy Spirit is accomplishing in the other Churches" (1 Malines 5,3)....

Seek unity in the renewal, because unity comes from the Holy Spirit and is born of the unity of the Trinity....Division comes from the devil. Flee from all infighting, please! Let there be none of this among you!

I wish to thank ICCRS and Catholic Fraternity, the two groups of pontifical right of the Pontifical Council for the Laity which are at the service of the worldwide renewal and are entrusted with preparing the world meeting of priests and Bishops in June of next year.... I would also like to thank them because they are already working on preparations for the great jubilee of 2017...I am waiting for all of you, charismatics the world over, to celebrate with the Pope your great jubilee on the feast of Pentecost 2017 in Saint Peter's Square!

Thank you!



**One... "So the World May Know"  
Pentecost Sunday Interfaith Praise and  
Intercession at Mt. Carmel June 8**

In a letter addressed to the church community in Phoenix, Pope Francis stated that our brothers and sisters around the world are being persecuted and killed for their faith and the spreading of the Gospel message. Their persecutors do not see if they are Catholics or Protestants or Pentecostals ... they see a Christian. If they can see only a Christian, then why can't we see each other as Christians. He is calling us to gather across church affiliations and pray together as one body of believers in Christ; pray as Christians for Christians.



In answer to this call the churches of Phoenix have gathered together to pray three times now. The third gathering was on Pentecost Sunday at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Tempe. Those who met were Catholics and our Catholic Bishops, Reconciliation Ministries in relationship with Pope Francis from Italy, American Bible Society New York City, New York City Movement Project, Catholic Business Leaders Fellowship Phoenix, Pinnacle Forum Phoenix, City of the Lord Phoenix, North Scottsdale Christian, Living Streams Church Phoenix, City of Grace Mesa, and others. The church was packed with people praising God together! The Music ministry was fabulous! What a night!



Bishop Eduardo Nevares was present and was a featured speaker. He read 1 Corinthians 12, which talks about many parts, and many gifts, but only one Body. He held his hands to his head, told the crowd that he had read those scriptures 1000 times, but that he had just gotten the message. He said he had always read the passage in the context of the Catholic Church. What God opened his eyes to see, and hopefully is opening our eyes to see, is that the Body of Christ is far more than the Catholic Church. It is the entirety of the Body of Christ, across denominations and non-denominations. He affirmed the Pope's message of working toward unity in the Body.

Thank you, Jesus!



Among the other speakers that night were Peter Poppleton City of the Lord and the overall coordinator for the evening, Father John Bonavita-cola Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Tempe, Gary Kinnaman Pastor at Large City of Grace and Chairman of the Governor's Council on Faith and Community, and Pastor Joseph Tosini.

After praise and intercession everyone gathered outside on the patio for refreshments.

## Father Bill Adams and the "Heart of Jesus" Team from Los Angeles Presented a Life in the Spirit Seminar at the Diocese of Phoenix June 21



On Friday evening, June 20, Father Bill Adams, C.S.S.R., and his 10 member team, "Heart of Jesus", from Los

Angeles, arrived in Phoenix, and were welcomed by the Lamb of God Prayer Group in Gilbert. For some of us it was our first opportunity to meet Father Bill and the team, who were scheduled to give a one-day Seminar on the Holy Spirit at the Diocese of Phoenix the following day.



Father Bill spoke about God's abundance for us. He is every grace. He gives us himself that in all things we always have an abundance for every good work. In Him we have every



thing that God has to give. God is calling us to move out to His People. He will provide everything we need to accomplish what He wants. As He leads us the gifts will be available to save souls and touch lives.

Everything we do has meaning. It always has its effect in another's life. That is the beautiful thing about the gifts of the Spirit.

On Saturday at the Diocese Seminar we heard inspiring talks and testimonies by Father Bill, Deacon Selso, Zen, Lita de Rosa, Agnes Rojas, and Jackie Magabua. (See cover photos.)

After the talks we had a candle light ceremony, and individual prayer for receiving a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit for those attending, followed by Mass in the Diocesan Chapel.

It was a beautiful day! Thank you Father Bill and "Heart of Jesus" team for coming here. We were truly blessed!!

## REGENERATION

### The 2014 Diocesan Youth Catholic Renewal Conference July 12

by Laurie Walsh

Some came in buses, some came in cars and others on foot! The event was just what the Holy Spirit had in mind for this; a day set aside for teens and young adults on this hot summer day in the Diocese of Phoenix.

On July 12<sup>th</sup>, approximately 90 teens arrived at St Helen's Parish to participate in this year's CRM Youth Conference. Several priests, deacons, seminarians, leaders and parish teen ministers also came to support the youth on their journey of faith. Others donating their time and talent were speakers: Ryan Hanning, Mary Castner, Tom Beale, David Rees and Jojo Concepcion. Featured musicians Simple Praise, Worship Team, 3 More Band, Limitless, Mary Castner and Iggi Rodriquez rocked the house with worship music so electric, we were confident it rattled the rafters in heaven!

Giving personal testimonies to the youth were Chilo Salinas, Laurie Walsh, Michael



Lopez, Jennifer Conrad and Michael Campbell.

The featured guest, Auxiliary Bishop Edwardo Nevares, was undoubtedly the highlight of the conference. During his question and answer session, he was flanked by a young seminarian, Ryan Lee. The teen's probing questions were candid and to the delight of all; the Bishop's responses were not only candid, they were inspired, profoundly informative and often hilarious! Seminarian Lee also provided very insightful and captivating responses that were well received.

"It was a wonderful event full of great music, uplifting talks and unexpected graces," said Stephanie Wicks.

The Conference concluded with a celebrated mass by Bishop Nevares, Fr. John Ssegawa, and Fr. Reggie Carreon.

## The New Evangelization – Part 8

*By Tom Beale*

“The Holy Spirit enriches the entire Church with different charisms. These gifts are meant to renew and build up the Church. They are not an inheritance, safely secured and entrusted to a small group for safekeeping; rather they are gifts of the Spirit integrated into the body of the Church, drawn to the center which is Christ and then channeled into an evangelizing impulse.

A sure sign of the authenticity of a charism is its ecclesial character, its ability to be integrated harmoniously into the life of God’s holy and faithful people for the good of all.

Something truly new brought about by the Spirit need not overshadow other gifts and spiritualities in making itself felt. To the extent that a charism is better directed to the heart of the Gospel, its exercise will be more ecclesial.” (Evangelium Gaudium (EG) 130)

To be ecclesial means to be related to the function and organization of the Church. The charisms of a person or group are ecclesial when they are used by the Holy Spirit to “renew and build up the Church.” Their authenticity is confirmed by their ecclesial character and impact. The efficacy of a person or group, and the authenticity of its charisms, can likewise be gauged by the ecclesial impact on the Church, and on local churches headed by bishops, who accomplish their work through coworker priests as parochial shepherds.

To be ecclesial in renewing the Church then, spiritual movements, such as Renewal, must work in concert with the parochial shepherds, who likewise must work in concert with the movements. Unfortunately, this unity of effort at times fails to work in either or both directions. When it does work, miracles happen. How much more so when we look beyond denominations to the ecumenical Body of Christ.

“It is in communion, even when this proves painful, that a charism is seen to be authentic and mysteriously fruitful... Differences between persons and communities can sometimes prove uncomfortable, but the Holy Spirit ... can bring forth something good from all things and turn them into an attractive means of evangelization.” (EG 130-131)

## Healing Mass Queen of Peace

Father Thomas Bennett celebrated a healing Mass at Queen of Peace Wednesday May 21.

He spoke about healing.

He said we are to place our lives in God’s hands. That is where our healing comes from. Only if we remain in Him are we truly healed. Lazarus rose to life but died again. The paralytic walked but later he died. We look for physical healing but eventually we come to our end. In Christ we are whole. The healing God wants is, “your faith has healed you”. Our faith will make us always whole because we are in God. Our sickness is what ever it is that is keeping us from God. Without God we dry up. He gives us the

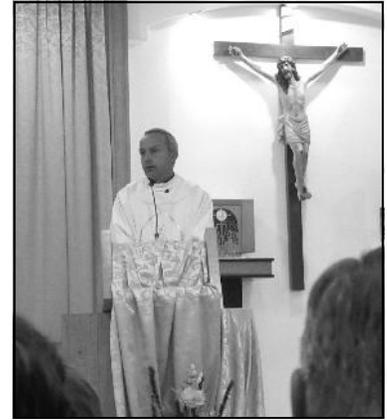
Eucharist and prayer. We ask, “Lord, make me whole in You”.

He recalled the healing of a

tumor in a three-year old girl. The family, whose members had fallen away from God, started to come back to church after the healing. This was the greatest miracle healing that was given the family: spiritual healing in

their souls! Jesus says, “Those who come to Me will have life! They will live!” “Without Me you can do nothing!” He asked us to pray for our

families that God would bring them back to Him. This is the healing God wants.



## Prophecy Received May 17, 2014

The Holy Spirit is one with his people, one with God the Father and one with Jesus. I call you to be one as I am one, says the Lord. No more divisions among my people, says the Lord, but one body serving as one before us. This is my desire, my children, that all may be one as we are one, not divided into parts as is done on Earth, one man against another, but all serving as one in the Lord, says the Lord God, says the Lord, for I am a God of unity, says the Lord. I will not have My people fighting among themselves on my account, one saying one thing and another saying another. Do I not speak one truth for all? Why are you divided, my people, as those who say they believe one thing and those who say another? Why do you struggle against one another as though there are many truths, that you must convince them of your truth while they try to convince you of theirs? This is not my way, my children. My truth is not divided. I have one truth for all and it does not change. My truth is my truth. It does not change from day to day or year to year. Know what my truth is and be united in that one truth, my children. Do not divide my truth. I am One, one truth, one belief, one way. Only one way is my way, my children. Only one true way. If you follow me you follow only my way and no other way. Then you will be one in unity with me and my truth, one body only and not divided, says the Lord of Hosts, says the Lord. (Marilyn Stewart)



## Queen of Peace Life in the Spirit Seminar

38 people attended the 7-week Life in the Spirit Seminar on Monday nights from June 9-July 21 at Queen of Peace.

The Queen of Peace Prayer Group Invites You to Join Them in a Day of Prayer and Healing Mass

Wednesday July 23, 2014

Praise and Worship Begins at 6:30 PM  
Mass at 7:00 PM

Celebrant: Father Dan Vanyo

Queen of Peace Catholic Church  
141 N. Macdonald, Mesa

The Prayer Group will be doing the laying on of hands after Mass for those needing healing.



Phoenix Chapter of Magnificat  
A (Charismatic) Ministry To Catholic Women  
Meets Monthly at the Diocese of Phoenix on  
the 2nd Saturday of the Month 1:00 to 3:00 PM  
No July or August Meeting.  
Next Meeting September 13, 2014

We invite women to come and learn how they can help with this vital arm of evangelization. They will learn about the Ministry and how they can help. We have many roles for women to fill.

Please consider inviting Laurie Walsh to your prayer meeting to learn more about this exciting ministry.

Call (623) 979-9780 or e-mail [aa-ok@cox.net](mailto:aa-ok@cox.net).

## Men's Ministry

DISCIPLES  
TO  
APOSTLES

Meets 4th  
Saturday of  
the Month



Next Meeting July 26—7:00-8:30 AM  
Speaker: Manuel Murillo

Queen of Peace Courtyard Room 124  
141 N. Macdonald St., Mesa

Call George Koron (480) 314-1822  
[gkoron@cox.net](mailto:gkoron@cox.net)

*"we...are being transformed into his likeness..."*, *"...conform to the likeness of his Son, the firstborn among many brothers..."* (Rom 8:29)



**Upcoming Events in Brief**

July 23, 2014.....(Wednesday).....Healing Mass / Day of Prayer.....Queen of Peace Church, Mesa.....6:30 PM-9:00 PM  
July 26, 2014.....(Saturday).....Men’s Ministry Meeting.....Queen of Peace Church, Mesa.....7:00 AM-8:30 AM



**INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR CRM — Thursdays at the Diocese of Phoenix following the 12:00 PM Mass at St. Mary’s Basilica**

**LIST OF PARISH PRAYER GROUPS IN THE VALLEY:**

**MONDAY**  
Blessed Sacrament,  
Scottsdale 7:00 PM  
(480) 991-0870

St. Augustine,  
Phoenix 7:15 PM  
(623) 418-1594

St. Jerome,  
Phoenix 7:00 PM  
(602) 448-5851

Queen of Peace,  
Mesa 7:00 PM  
(602) 276-9100

St. John Vianney,  
Avondale 7:00 PM  
(480) 294-7954

St. Germaine,  
Prescott Valley  
6:30 PM  
(928) 443-0556

St. Steven, Sun  
Lakes 10:00 AM  
(480) 585-5912

**TUESDAY**  
Our Lady of  
Lourdes, Sun City  
West 10:00 AM  
(623) 344-7283

St. Daniel, Scotts-  
dale 7:30 PM  
(480) 945-2990

St. Maria Goretti,  
Scottsdale 7:00 PM  
(480) 994-1643

**WEDNESDAY**  
St Joseph, Phoenix  
7:00 PM  
(602) 493-0190  
(602) 568-6778

St. Thomas Moore,  
Glendale 7:00 PM  
(623) 582-0994

**THURSDAY**  
St. Rose Philippine  
Duchesne, Anthem  
7:00 PM  
(623) 465-2604

St. Clare of Assisi,  
Surprise 7:00 PM  
(623) 544-1787

Holy Cross, Mesa  
6:30 PM  
(480) 830-8346  
(480) 830-3538

Corpus Christi,  
Phoenix 6:30 PM  
(602) 315-1950

**FRIDAY**  
Lamb of God,  
Gilbert Museum,  
Gilbert 7:30 PM  
(480) 330-4350

St. Bernard  
Clairvaux, Scotts-  
dale 10:00 AM  
(480) 347-4522

Holy Cross, Mesa  
6:00-9:00 PM  
(480) 251-6122

St. Thomas Aqui-  
nas, Avondale  
9:00 AM  
(623) 935-9401  
(623) 972-6741

**SATURDAY**  
St. Joachim & St.  
Anne, Sun City  
9-00 AM  
(623) 997-4892

St. Jerome,  
Phoenix  
2:00 PM  
(602) 751-5703

**WOMEN’S  
MAGNIFICAT**  
Phoenix 1:00  
PM-3:00 PM  
2nd Saturday of  
the month  
Call for info  
(623) 979-9780  
(602) 433-5121



**ABOUT CRM HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY:** Healing prayer and deliverance ministry conducted by members of the Catholic Renewal Ministry in the Diocese of Phoenix is done under the authority of the Bishop and Father Charlie Goreiab. Each prayer warrior must attend training teachings given by the leaders of the CRM Healing Prayer Ministry, Manuel and Bertha Murillo, and be commissioned by their parish pastor. As more and more prayer warriors are being commissioned, healing prayer rooms are being opened at more and more parishes in the valley for prayer ministry. For more information call Manuel and Bertha Murillo at (602) 799-2563.

**HEALING PRAYER ROOMS: Individual Prayer for Physical and Emotional Healing**

- 2nd and 4th Mondays, 7:00-8:30 PM, — St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 539 Loma Linda, Goodyear
- Wednesdays 6:00-9:00 PM — St. Mary Catholic Church, 230 W. Galveston, Chandler
- Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 PM — Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Madonna Hall, 141 N. Macdonald, Mesa
- 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 7:00-9:00 PM — St. Timothy Catholic Church, 1730 W. Guadalupe Rd., Mesa
- 4th Thursdays 7:00-8:30 PM — St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church, 17111 W Bell Rd., Surprise
- Fridays 7:00-9:00 PM — St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 3140 N. 51st Ave., Phoenix

**HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: Individual Prayer for Physical / Emotional Healing**

- Every weekend after all Masses, — St. Jerome Catholic Church, 10815 N. 35th Ave., Phoenix
- Every 4th Sunday after 11:00 AM Mass — St. Steven Catholic Church, 24827 S. Dobson Rd., Sun Lakes
- 2nd and 4th Tuesdays after 6:00 PM Mass — St. Augustine Catholic Church, 3630 N. 71st Ave., Phoenix Prayer by appointment — St. Augustine Catholic Church, 3630 N. 71st Ave., Phoenix (call church)
- Prayer by appointment only — St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 13720 W. Thomas Road, Avondale —Please contact Priscilla Ashton 623-875-6130