

The Traveling Team—May We Come?

The first essential step in setting up a Traveling Ministry is to make contact with all parishes in your diocese. A letter is a good way to introduce the ministry. This letter might include the following:

1. A brief description of the Charismatic Renewal, its organization, and its mission.
2. A proposal to offer a Charismatic Mass and Healing Service.
3. Assurance that the Traveling Ministry will oversee all of the preparations for the Mass and Healing Service. Working in conjunction with the Renewal office, the sponsoring parish is encouraged to take responsibility for the following ministries:

- Bulletin Announcements
- Lectors
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Servers
- Greeters



The Renewal office takes full responsibility for setting up the following:

- Celebrant
 - Prayer Teams
 - Music Ministry
4. Invitations are given to the parish music ministry to sing/play with the Traveling Team's music ministry. Parishes are also encouraged to invite their parishioners to be a part of the prayer team ministry (formation will be done that night).

Two weeks after the letters are sent, begin making a follow-up phone call to speak personally with each pastor to discuss the proposal.

If a Mass date is set, send a letter of confirmation that includes details of the various ministries' roles and responsibilities.

Three weeks prior to the Mass make a phone call to the parish to remind them of the Mass date and time. Request that the parish place and announcement in their bulletins. It is also good to suggest that it be added to weekly Mass announcements.

One week prior to the Mass remind the traveling team of the upcoming Mass and Healing Service.

On The Road Again Charismatic Masses and Healing Services

For the past four years, the Diocese of Toledo, Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal (MCCR) has been introducing Charismatic Masses and Healing Services to the farthest reaches of the Diocese every other Monday evening. The "On the Road Again" team desires to reach Catholics of all ages who have yet to experience a Charismatic Mass and Healing Service with the gifts of the Holy Spirit in full operation.



MCCR, like other renewal ministries always responds to prayer groups and pastors who initiate requests for Charismatic Masses at local parishes. However, prior to the "On The Road Again" ministry, there was no intentional effort being made to bring Charismatic Masses to parishes without prayer groups. As we prayed about the MCCR mission and vision statements, we as leaders, realized that we had to be proactive in bringing the Baptism of the Holy Spirit into the mainstream of the Church. That being said, we knew that parishes without prayer groups would never initiate contact with our ministry. Additionally, the dramatic decline in prayer groups prompted MCCR to send written invitations to every pastor in the Diocese. Each letter was followed up with a personal phone call to the pastor detailing the Mass and Healing Service, discussing the needs of the parish, and considering the fruit such a ministry might bear in their parishes.

Many parishes responded to the first round of letters and follow-up calls. Once their initial Masses were scheduled they were put on a call back list. From this list and from on-going new contacts, Masses are scheduled three to four months ahead.

Wherever we go, we are showered with grace-filled surprises as those to whom we minister tell how deeply they have been touched by God's healing love. The power of the Holy Spirit at work in the Church is witnessed by all who come.



Parish Renewal Workshop Series

On the Road Again For The Lord

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Masses and Healing Services



*Introducing Catholics to
Life in the Spirit
through the
Liturgy of the Word
and the
Liturgy of the Eucharist*

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The Ministry Team

The Ministry Team consists of a Charismatic priest and a minimum of one representative from the Renewal office, the Healing Ministry, and Music Ministry.


The Renewal Ministry Representative

The representative from the Renewal Office

- Introduces the Traveling Team to the Parish representatives.
- Sets up an information/book/tape display at the entrance to the church.
- Greets people as they arrive for the Mass. 
- Passes out literature including, information about the Renewal, Newsletters, and prayer cards and invites people to browse the information table. Payment for books and tape can be sent in if people did not come prepared to purchase.
- Invites those arriving to sign the petition book that will be carried in the Offertory procession.
- Helps other ministries prepare as needed.
- Encourage people to gather around the altar after the Offertory.
- Makes closing announcements at the end of Mass including future Mass locations, upcoming retreats, workshops, conferences, and encourages everyone to get on the mailing list and stay in contact with the office.
- Prays on a prayer team if needed.

The Music Ministry Coordinator

The music ministry representative

- Sets up sound and music equipment.
- Selects music for responsorial.
- Begins warm up and practices as soon as possible.
- Briefs parish music ministers if present.
- Leads worship and praise under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. 

The Healing Ministry Coordinator

The Healing Ministry Coordinator completes the Mass and Healing Service Checklist.

- Space for handicap.
- Consults with the Celebrant for the Mass parts that are to be sung (Gloria, Responsorial, Petitions, Our Father).
- Relays information to the Music Coordinator for Mass parts that are sung.
- Coordinates Ushers for Offertory and Healing Service.
- Assigns Eucharistic ministers and lectors from among parishioners who are present.
- Gathers all ministers for prayer and anointing prior to the start of Mass.
- Along with the priest and renewal representative, anoints each person for ministry (using Blessed Oil).
- Asks prayer team members to remain in order to review prayer team protocol and the “Simple Blessing Prayer”.
- Welcomes all who have come:
 - Parishes represented? For first time?
 - At Catholic Charismatic Mass for the first time.
 - Exhort praise and worship in between songs.
 - Teach about the gifts of the Holy Spirit.
 - Talk about the Love Offering.
- Guides people to the altar at the Preface.
- Calls for 3 minutes of silence after Communion.
- Calls forth the prophetic word to the microphone (after the silence).
- Discerns the words coming forward.
- Calls forth prayer teams after closing song.
- Prays with those who are seeking an outpouring of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Prays especially for tongues and gives instructions on the power of this gift in personal prayer and healing.

Local Prayer Group Members

If your renewal has well formed prayer team ministers, it is possible to enlist their services for the Mass. Ministers are always faithful in responding to praying with others. For those who are reluctant, conduct a mini-workshop just prior to Mass. Everyone can learn to pray the Simple Blessing Prayer (See Afterglow).

The Mass and Healing Service Schedule

- 6:30 pm Arrival and preparations.
- 7:15 pm Anointing of Celebrant and ministers. Each one (minister) calls out one’s name, putting one’s self at the service of the Lord for the entire evening.
- 7:30 pm Welcome and Exhortation
- 7:50 pm Mass begins
- 9:15 pm Mass ends and Healing Service begins
- 10:00 pm Healing Service Ends



The Prophetic Word Gift Ministry

Everyone is asked to be seated after communion for 3 minutes of silence. The silence is introduced by asking everyone to “listen for God’s voice in their lives. Ask Him anything and listen for His response— how do you know — it is the most unconditional loving response that could be given.” After silence there is a call for the prophetic word—perhaps what was heard in the silence is to be shared with the Body of Christ. As each one comes forward, the Healing Coordinator discerns the word. After the prophetic word is proclaimed, the coordinator summarizes the message.



The Healing Service— The Afterglow of the Eucharist

Prayer teams consist of 3 pray-ers. One leads the prayer and the other two serve as intercessors/attendants. Prayer teams are called forth at the end of Mass. The Celebrant is stationed in the center aisle with two intercessors. Ushers help guide people to the teams. Ministers do not give counsel and do not pray deliverance. If someone rests in the Spirit, team members do not hover, rather they respect the person by leaving the person alone with God and the team goes on to pray with the next in line.

