



International Association of Charities - Vincentian Family

ACTING TOGETHER – AGAINST ALL FORMS OF POVERTY

AIC UK is part of the 150,000 strong International group of, primarily, women whose spirituality is rooted in Vincentian tradition. Begun in 1617 by St Vincent De Paul, the Confraternities of lay volunteers help the disadvantaged in society. Groups became the Ladies of Charity – a name that many countries still use today under the AIC umbrella.

Groups in ABBEY WOOD, BEXLEY, DARLINGTON, GLASGOW, MILL HILL & PECKHAM. **Contact AIC UK: info@aic-uk.org.uk NEW CONTACT EMAIL**

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What a privilege and a pleasure it was to attend the installation of AIC Peckham's new Leadership Team at a Mass said by Fr Richard Diala CM. Fr Richard was the Spiritual Advisor for the National Nigerian Ladies of Charity, and is very well versed in our work. He is a great champion for Agat, Alice and Patricia's leadership. We wish them every blessing in their work!



AIC UK LEADERSHIP TEAM 2017

Newly elected at the 2017 AGM, Jo Edun (Secretary) and Sheila Jones (Treasurer) joined Sr Bernadette Ryder DC our Spiritual Advisor, re-elected Christine Crump (Development), Marlene Burt (Justice) and Dee Mansi (President) at a Management Meeting kindly held in the Daughters House Carlisle Place.

2nd National 400th GB Vincentian Family Mass - Liverpool 24.6.17



At the end of the SVP Conference in June, we gathered in Liverpool Cathedral for our second National Event. AIC Peckham were Welcome Ministers. Bishop Malcolm McMahon spoke of how the Vincentian charism of hospitality and visiting vulnerable people had helped him as a young priest concerned about relating to people's needs.

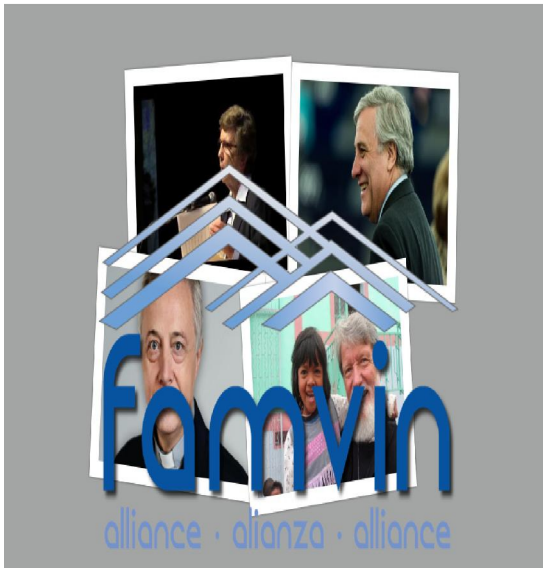
AIC UK was well represented by us Londoners as well as a contingent from Scotland which included the Rendu Deaf Choir led by AIC Liz Anne O'Hare.



VISIT TO AIC INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS – BELGIUM

While in Brussels for the (Famvin) Homeless Alliance launch at the European Parliament, Dee visited above. She was warmly welcomed by the hardworking Staff who had English Afternoon Tea on the menu!

FAMVIN HOMELESS ALLIANCE PROJECT



The Vincentian Family worldwide is known as FAMVIN (Familia Vincenziana). As all 2 million of us are working to overcome poverty and transform lives, often one to one, we have not often engaged in large projects. This year we launched something unique! This mega-project will be managed by Depaul International and involves the whole of the Vincentian Family. Look up the information about the FAMVIN Homeless Alliance on Famvin.org, LIKE it on Facebook and you will find out all about it!



With Laurence de la Brosse, I represented AIC International at the launch on 28th June 2017. Among the many inspirational Vincentian Family speakers was Fr Pedro Opeka CM an Argentinian priest who has worked for over 20 years in Madagascar. Do look up his work, and find out what one gifted leader, embued with the Vincentian charism, can do! Check out his video clips on Youtube and Facebook. It is truly inspirational!

Hoping to see many of you at our 30th September 2017, 3rd National Vincentian event to celebrate our 400th Anniversary in Carfin Scotland! We have a lot of great work ahead of us! Dee Mansi. AIC President