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Cursillo #196 - April 18-21, 2002

"Great Things Happen When God Mixes With Us!!"

Scripture: Psalm 126: 3

Rectora: Kathy Vessell

Dear Cursillo Family,

As we prepare for the Ladies' weeken, we pray for the new candidates to come that they may be open to the help of the Holy Spirit and the Love of Jesus. He has blessed us with many blessings and is helping us to form a Circle of Friends, with his love.

We know that our prayer buddies are praying for us, as we hold our meetings and we are calmed of our fears and doubts. Please continue to pray now and throughout the weekend. Thank you very much!!

Teams members of #196 are:

Spiritual Director: Fr. Michael Kuse, St. Marys Parish, Quincy (Sacraments, 10 a.m. Saturday).

Asst. Spiritual Directors: Fr. Bob Jallas, All Saints Parish, Quincy, (Grace, 11:30 a.m. Friday); Fr. Michael Quinn, Holy Family Parish, Hannibal, MO (Holy Spirit & Divine Aid, 3:30 p.m. Friday); Sister Ruth Ann Klausner, SSND, Swansea, IL (Obstacles to Grace, 4:15 p.m. Saturday); Deacon Mr. Tony Trautman, O'Fallon, MO (Christian Life, 10 a.m. Sunday).

Rectora: Kathy Vessell, Hannibal (Group Reunion and Ultreya, 12:25 p.m. Sunday). **Assistant Rectoras:** Rita Lentz, Hannibal (Piety, 7 p.m. Friday); Darlene Boland, Troy (Action, 3 p.m. Saturday); Theresa Edwards, Quincy (Ideals, 10:15 a.m. Friday).

Rollistas: Linda Holthaus, Quincy, IL (Study, 9 a.m. Saturday); Mary Metcalf, Jacksonville, IL (Environment, 9 a.m. Sunday); Pat Holbrook, Quincy, IL (C.C.I.A., 11:30 a.m. Sunday); Polly Ryan Fick, St. Louis, MO (Laywoman in the Church, 1:55 p.m. Friday); Karen Biggs, Bowling Green, MO (Leaders, 7 p.m. Saturday).

Auxillaries: Debra Beebe and Mary Howe, Quincy, IL; Sandy Bordenkircher, Jacksonville, IL; Teresa Heitman, Foley, MO; Elaine Meyer, Elsie Power, and Pat Yount, Hannibal, MO; Deborah L. Schutz, White Hall, IL; and Catherine Platz, Hamilton, IL.

Sacristan: Evelyn Hirner, Hannibal, MO; **Board Rep:** Cindy Stephens, Quincy, IL; **Muscians:** Delores Davis, Louisiana, MO and Donna Grote, Bowling Green, MO.

Service Team: Judy Quinn, Monroe City, MO; Kathy Pechanec, Medina, OH; Judy Oberman, Bowling Green, MO; Jan Aughey, St. Louis; and Carrie Alexander, Carrollton, IL.

Food Service: Wendy Casagrande, Foley, MO, Cheri Greving and Pat Mitchell, Quincy, IL.

To volunteer to serve meals, call Wendy Casagrande at 636-662-2505 or Cheri Greving 217-224-2135.

Thank you and God Bless you all for your Palanca and Prayers.

Kathy Vessell
and team of #196



SERVE MEALS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #196

April 14, 2002 at 1:00 p.m.

Holy Family Church

Hannibal, MO

Carry-in to follow in Church cafeteria

Men's Cursillo #197

TBA

Check May Newsletter

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #196

April 18 (Thursday)

7:00 p.m. Registration

8:30 p.m. Sponsors Hour

April 20 (Saturday)

8:00 p.m.

Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

April 21 (Sunday)

5:00 p.m. Closing

ULTREYAS

April 6

Holy Family Church

Hannibal, MO

Ultreya after 5:30 Saturday Service

Call 573-221-5404

Syl Riney for info

April 27

Lincoln County Ultreya

Immaculate Conception Church

Old Monroe, MO

Ultreya after 5:00 Saturday Service

Call 636-462-5550

Stan Pollman for info

Message From Your Lay Director

Dear Cursillo Family,

As we look forward to another Cursillo weekend, I hope you are reminded of your own special journey and the changes in your life that continue every day. With Jesus as our guide and our central focus, we cannot go wrong. It is important that we pray for the candidates as they, too, will find Him on their journey.

Please read and cooperate with the following guidelines:

- If you are a sponsor or a spouse, please mark your palanca letter accordingly. It would really help the Service Teams if you could get your letters in on Thursday or Friday. All palanca letters are to be left in the letter writing room. The Service Team takes care of all distributions on the weekend.
- No one is allowed on the second floor. We have had occasions where sponsors have been there to deliver a special letter or gift. Please save that gift for Sunday night after closing. Again – **no one is allowed on the second floor once the weekend is started.**
- Another issue that needs to be addressed is that in order for a candidate to attend a weekend, the sponsor must first receive an acceptance letter. While we try very hard to allow everyone to be able to attend a weekend, it is critical that everyone be treated the same by going through the proper channels. For someone to simply show up for a weekend without an acceptance letter cannot and will not be tolerated. Thank you for your cooperation.

Thanks to all the sponsors for working so hard for Jesus. We sent out 50 acceptance letters for March and April is filling fast.

Don't forget the new dates for the June weekend – June 6-9. Keep up the good work!!

Wahoo,
Jay Grawe

Thank You from Cursillo #194

Dear Cursillo Family,

It is now Wednesday after Cursillo 194 and I am in the after-glow of one of the most lovely experiences of my life. How grateful are we, team and candidates of the Little Flock of 194, for all that was showered upon us by our Good Shepherd and our Cursillo Family. We are forever changed by this Grace. It is the Gift that keeps on giving.

The Shepherd leads us on in this our 4th Day, and we are realizing that our Cursillo has not ended but continues to teach us. It was not just three days after all, but points the way forward. The love of Jesus will continue to grow; in our hearts, our souls and our minds.

Ultraya! Onward!

Hugs and Kisses from the
Happy Rectora of the
Little Flock of Cursillo 194
Mary Jane Davis

Benefit Fund

A Benefit Fund has been set up for the Steve Jansen Family to help defray their daughter's medical expenses not covered by insurance. If you would like to contribute, put the account number (#2265304119) on the back of the check and send to:

Jansen Benefit Fund
%Chris Bunch
Associated Bank
326 North 24th Street
Quincy, IL 62301

Cursillo 195



Front row, left to right: Mike Long, Jim Nevins, Lawson Faler, Karl Holtmeyer, Ray Wheeler, Michael Grant, Jerry Eberhardt, Fr. Chuck Edwards, Steve Cole, Stan Schwartz, Ed Holthaus, Matt Harmon. **Second row:** Jeff Steinkamp, Mike Goodwin, Craig Hilbing, Michael Wolfmeyer, Chuck Simmons, Scott Schell, Gregg Golemo, George Klingele, Timothy Carroll, Jim Deters, John Ley, Bill Fessler, Tom Holck, Jim Erickson, Joe Hedley. **Third row:** Eric Edinger, David Grant, Bradley Brown, Michael Marlin, Brian Munaco, Scott Fischer, Joe Collins, Ron Behnen, Don Arnold, Norm Boone, Ted Johnson, Tony Huber, Charles Sutter, Wayne Fessler. **Fourth row:** Steve Venvertloh, Greg Edinger, Dan Kramer, Fred Rauch, Rob Frankenbach, John Leezer, Dan Eilerman, Lynn Gallagher, Bill Hoff, Todd Koch, Jeff Stupavsky, Joe Haubrich, George Metcalf, Ron Portwood, Pat Carley, Gery Rolves. **Fifth row:** Greg Rife, Ray Genenbacher, Rob Downey, Dave Hummel, David Waterkotte, Trent Lepper, Rick Roberts, David McCartney, David Bach, Bill Blankenship, Dennis Buckley, Kevin Houghton, Dave Bishop, Jerry Dreier, Joe Thomas, Dennis Boudreau.

A Poem for #194

Mary Jane had some Little Lambs,
Their hearts as pure as gold.
They followed her to Quincy one day
And did as they were told.

They gathered on a special day,
February seven.
When they appeared, you'd surely agree,
They were a team sent straight from heaven.

The little lambies and their leader
Have prepared for days and days.
Planning and praying, working so hard
To show others God's wondrous ways.

We laugh and we cry
The garbage, we let die
Our spirits have bonded together.
The friendships we have made
without a doubt
Will go on forever and ever.

God, lead these little lambies
In all that they do,
Keep them close by your side.
Open their hearts, set them on fire
Outstretch their arms very wide.

When the weekend is done
And we start a fourth day
Little lambies keep in touch.
Always remember this time together
And how God has loved us so much.

Written for Cursillo #194
by Linda Bush

Thank You from the Baumgartners

To the Quincy Cursillo Family,

His grace and peace in full measure to you our brothers and sisters in our Lord Jesus Christ. As of February 28, 2002 we are retiring from the restaurant business (Barons). We are looking forward to spending more time with our families and our grandson David. We have sold our property to our neighbor, Ron Snider of Ron Snider Auto Sales (Quality Used Cars).

At this time we wish to express our thanks to the Cursillo family for your love, support, and business over the years, it was a blessing and a pleasure to serve you.

"Now to him who is well able to do exceeding abundantly above and beyond ALL that we could ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to HIM be all the glory forever and ever Amen." Ephesians 3:20&21

Decolores,
In His Love,
John & Marie Baumgartner

Editor's Note: John and Marie made their restaurant, Baron's, available to the Cursillo family for many years. They and their staff stayed open late many weekends just so Cursillistas could have a place to gather and share. They also baked pies for the Sunday afternoon meal. They will be greatly missed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention: All Musicians

There will be a musicians meeting on Monday, April 1, 2002 at St. Dominic Church at 7:00 p.m. We would like to hear your concerns about the music on the weekend and how you would like the Board to address those concerns. Contact Paul Soebbing for more information.
E-mail: csoebbing@hotmail.com

Singles Group Information

Next Meeting: April 21, 2002
(Sunday of the next Cursillo Weekend)
Time: 2:00 - 4:15 p.m.
Location: St Peters Church, Tolton Hall
For info contact:
Sheli Martin
Day: (217) 222-0456
Evening: (217) 222-5299
Email: 4Sheli@usa.net

Area Information Meeting

The Cursillistas of St. Brigid, Liberty and St. Thomas, Camp Point are holding an informational and social gathering the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m..

For more information and location of the April meeting, contact Gary and Sally Hodgson or Laurie and Jim Assell.
Laurie wk: (217) 277-2080 or
E-mail assell@adams.net

CURSILLO DATES

#195 April 18-21, 2002
Kathy Vessel

#196 June 6-9, 2002
Jim Erickson

#197 July 11-14, 2002
Alice Shirey

#198 September 5-8, 2002
Bill Kerns

Applications are available at:
www.quincycursillo.com

FOURTH DAY RENEWAL

September TBA, 2002

For information call:
Dennis and Pat Holbrook
217-224-3898

Applications are available at:
www.quincycursillo.com

GREAT RIVER TEC

TEC #209 April 13-15, 2002
Bert Shackleton

TEC #210 June 22-24, 2002

TEC #211 July 27-29, 2002
Jim & Dianne Deters

For information call
Doug Many 217-224-8416

Applications are available at:
www.greatrivertec.org

QUEST

#19 April 26-27, 2002

#20 August 2-3, 2002

For information call
Barb and Dwight Seeley
217-224-5615

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

For information call: 1-888-889-9963



DISCOVERING AND CELEBRATING

Home "Take me home country road, to a place I belong ... " Home, a place that says different things to different people but usually puts a light in their eyes of past memories, warm feelings and comforting thoughts.

On the ladies Cursillo of #194, we learned the word for home in sign language. By bringing our hand to our mouth as if eating and then laying our open hand to the side of our face as if sleeping we painted a picture of a place where we gather to share bread and rest after a long day, a place of acceptance, protection, and nurture.

At the Good Samaritan Home I came upon this word again hanging on a door of one of the residence - a cross with the words "Bless This Home". I knew that these rooms were nice but held a fraction of what the occupants former homes held. Yet I also knew that a home could not be defined by size, only by memories, companionship and love found within.

The Quincy Community Theatre provided another insight into "home" with the play "Over the River and Through the Woods". It told the story of a young man trying to tell his two sets of grandparents that he was taking a job on the other side of the country far from his boyhood home and them. It was humorous and touching as they came to accept his leaving and the young man came to recognize the important part they played in his growing up.

In my lifetime I have lived in nine different "homes" and six different cities, each one holding special memories and experiences for me. As I have traveled from one home to another and been touched by those I have met and accepted into my "family", I have grown and come to acknowledged the presence of yet another home. A home that has no geographic location on a map, no bed, no food as we are accustomed to, no easy chair, no TV, no utility bills, or yard to mow, and in fact it has only one occupant..... It is the home within me where Jesus now dwells. He wasn't always there. He could have been if I had wanted Him to, if I had asked Him in. I saw Him in others, but didn't recognize who He was. I knew of Him but I hadn't really had Him over "for dinner and a movie."

All the places I have called "home" led me to this point and acceptance in my life of Jesus. Not all the experiences were good, some were sad and some I might even want to forget but there were times of love and nurture from parents, grandparents, neighbors, and friends. These were all bits of His goodness in my life that taught me about Jesus and His love. This tangible example of Him softened my heart and led me to invite Him into my inner home, to dwell within me, to feed me, to give me rest and strength, and wisdom to follow Him. It is a home with no property tax but it does have to be maintained. The light of His love must be kept burning with daily recognition of my need for Him in my life. But even more importantly it is a flame that grows stronger as it is shared with others. Like the song This Little Light of Mine says, "Keep it under a basket? No! I'm going to let it shine!"

Keeping Jesus alive and glowing within is a continuous journey of growth and sharing but one that at the end of a long day always has His love and Light to welcome us "Home."

Love you a bunch,
Terri May

Cursillo Newsletter Online

The Fourth Day Newsletter is available on the Internet at www.quincycursillo.com. If you would like to help Cursillo reduce mailing costs and read the monthly newsletter online, please contact Lisa McDonald. Ask her to remove your name from the postal mailing and provide her with your e-mail address.

You will be notified by e-mail when the new issue is posted to the web page. Lisa can be reached by e-mail at: mcdonald@ksni.net or call 217-223-1787.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

There will **not** be a Fourth Day newsletter published in April. The deadline for submission for the May newsletter is **May 3rd**.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Send your change of address to
Lisa McDonald
2207 State St.
Quincy, IL 62301
Call 217-223-1787
or E-mail: mcdonald@ksni.net

PALANCA CHAPEL

To sign up, call or e-mail
Mike and Sue Holbrook
319 Glendale Drive
Quincy, IL 62301
217-223-6676
or E-mail: holbrok@adams.net

CURSILLO ACCOMMODATIONS

If you would like to stay overnight in Quincy on Cursillo weekends at no charge, please call:
Leanne Schell, 217-222-6690

CANDIDATE APPLICATIONS

Jonathon and Stephanie McClelland
5401 West South Border St.
Monroe City, MO 63456
573-735-4337

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217-224-2322

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