

The FOURTH DAY



Volume 25, No. 2

CURSILLO PUBLICATION OF THE DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD, IL

February 2003

Cursillo #205 – March 6 – 9, 2003

Theme: "Make a Difference"

Rector: Tom Deters

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

DeColores! On behalf of the team of Cursillo 205, I would like to thank you for the prayers and sacrifices that you have been offering for us as we prepare to do our Lord's work. Our theme is **Make a Difference** and, judging from our meetings, it has been evident that you have made a difference with your palanca.

Our scripture is taken from **2 Corinthians 1:4**: "The Lord comforts us not just to make us comfortable but to make us comforters." I pray that our response to God's call to **Make a Difference** is our song: "Here I Am, Lord".

I ask you to persevere in holding the following team members of Cursillo 205 in your prayers as we continue our journey of preparation:

Spiritual Director: Fr. Don Knuffman, Quincy, IL (Sacraments, Sat. 10 a.m.). **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Fr. Bob Jallas, Quincy, IL (Holy Spirit-Divine Aid, Friday 3:30 p.m.); Fr George Kramer, Bonnots Mill, MO (Grace, Friday 11:15 a.m.); Bro. Herb Rempe, Chicago, IL (Christian Life, Sunday 10:00 a.m.), and Sister Jackie Sellmeyer, Lake St. Louis, MO (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4:15 p.m.).

Assistant Rectors: Art Flynn, Bowling Green, MO (Action, Saturday 3:00 p.m.), Jeff Steinkamp, Quincy, IL (Leaders, Saturday 7:00 p.m.); Joe Wilkens, Nauvoo, IL (Christian Community In Action, Sunday 11:30 a.m.).

Rolloistas: Jane Deters, Quincy, IL (A Woman Speaks Her Mind, Sunday 3:00 p.m.); Steve Hembrough, Jacksonville, IL (Study, Saturday 9:00 a.m.); David May, Quincy, IL (Ideals, Friday 10:00 a.m.); B.J. Menne, Troy, MO (Piety, Fri. 7:00 p.m.); Chris Patterson, Roodhouse, IL (Environment, Sun. 9:00 a.m.); Dave Waterkotte, Quincy, IL (Laity, Fri. 1:30 p.m.).

Auxiliaries: Jim Deters, Bill Huber, Chris Kammerer, Jeff Mayfield, Damian McDonald, Jeff Meyer, Gerry Rolves, and Dwight Seeley, Quincy, IL; Gary Platz, Hamilton, IL.

Board Rep: Bill Gilmore, Roodhouse, IL; **Musicians:** Lawson Faler, Guy Schell, Quincy, IL; **Sacristan:** Craig Long, Vandalia, MO; **Service Team:** Steve Jansen, Marvin Knuffman, Jim Liesen, Gene Soebbing, Quincy, IL; **Food Service:** Vernon Korte, Bowling Green, MO and Joe Vermeire, Quincy, IL; **Observing Rector:** Dennis Steinkamp, Quincy, IL, **Rector:** Tom Deters, Quincy, IL (Group Reunion and Ultreya, Sunday 12:25 p.m.)

Please remember the importance of filling up the palanca chart. Call Mike and Sue Holbrook at 217-223-6676 to sign up to collaborate in lifting up the team and candidates of Cursillo 205.

Our Buddy Mass will be held on March 2, 2003, at 2:00 p.m., St. John's Church of All Saints Parish - 1019 Cedar, Quincy. A carry-in meal will follow in the basement of the school just north of the church. Please join us in celebration!

"Lord Jesus, we pray your continued light in our midst as we anticipate March 6-9 with **Joyful Hope!**"

God Bless,
Tom Deters and the
Team of Cursillo #205

SERVE MEALS

To volunteer to serve meals for Cursillo #205 please call
Vernon Korte 573-324-3611
or Joe Vermeire 217-224-3091

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Men's Cursillo #205

March 2, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.
St. John's Church of All Saints Parish
1019 Cedar, Quincy, IL
Carry-in dinner to follow in cafeteria

Women's Cursillo #206

March 30, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.
St. Peters Church
2500 Maine, Quincy, IL
Carry-in dinner to follow

MEN'S CURSILLO #205

Mar. 6th (Thursday)
7:00 p.m. Registration
8:30 p.m. Sponsors Hour

Mar. 8th (Saturday)
8:00 p.m.
Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

Mar. 9th (Sunday)
5:00 p.m. Closing

ULTREYAS

Friday, February 21st

7:00 p.m. St. Thomas, Camp Point, IL
Call 217-593-7132
Brent & Jenni Obert for info

Wednesday, March 12th

Hannibal/Palmyra/Quincy Area Ultreya
St. Francis Church, Quincy, IL
Witness, sharing, food in
St. Francis School after 5:15 Mass

Saturday, March 15th

Pike & Lincoln County Ultreya
St. Clement Church
Bowling Green, MO
Ultreya after 6:00 p.m. Saturday Mass
Call Stan Pollman 636-462-5550 for info

MESSAGE FROM YOUR LAY DIRECTOR

Dear Cursillo Family –

Our God is so good to us!! Soon it will no longer be necessary for you to strain to hear everything being said from the altar! Through the anonymous gift from a generous heart - we now have all of the necessary funds to complete the sound system. There is painting to be done first, such that the speakers can be correctly mounted into the walls on BOTH sides of the chapel. What a wonderful addition this will be to our retreat center. EVERYONE present will actually be able to hear what is going on. Praise God. We hope to have this all accomplished by the late spring or early summer. Please take the time right now to say a prayer of thanks for all those individuals who through their unselfish hearts have made this possible. Thank you Jesus.

This is the first time since I have been your Lay Director that I am able to tell all of you how great it is to have our palanca shart FILLED BEFORE A WEEKEND BEGINS. Let's continue to make this a reality each and every weekend. The power of our prayer is so necessary and knowing that all those hours are filled ahead of time is awesome. Thank you.

Continue to seek candidates, especially for our summer weekends when time is filled with vacations and family events which can make it more difficult for participation. I know with your continued prayers, God will hear and answer our call.

Contact your Board Rep if you have any questions or concerns and don't ever forget that I am willing to do whatever it takes to keep the Cursillo family informed and happy.

DeColores and WAHOO!
Jay Grawe

THANK YOU FROM #203

Dear Fellow Cursillista's:

What an amazing weekend we had together. I have always been told that each Cursillo weekend is both unique and powerful and this one certainly lived up to both of those descriptions. For all those who attended the closing, I am sure that it was very clear that not only the candidates, but also the team members were profoundly impacted by the events of the weekend.

Everyone on the weekend were really touched by all the prayers, palanca, support, and work that was offered up for our benefit. On behalf of all of the men of #203, I would like thank each and every one of you for all that you have done for the success of our weekend. You are a shining example of what the Cursillo movement is all about.

Pat Tracy
Rector #203

Cursillo 204



Front row, left to right: Marcia Becker, Maggie McGee, Judy Lenk, Cindy Stephens, Judy Meats, Donna Thompson, Mary Dodd, Lisa Leake, Fr. John Beveridge, Patti Bunch, Giny Baker. **Second row:** Donna Siebers, Janet Schieffer, Carolyn Kling, Loretta Koch, Penny Hyer, Lisa McDonald, Karen Splaingard, Laura Maas, Judy Blevins, Melba Wobbe, Sheri Reller, Marge Hufendick. **Third row:** Nan Grawe, Ginny Andrews, Naomi Egbert, Karen Dames, Phyllis Schulte, Julia Zimmerman, Mary Lou Welsh, Pat Troesser, Loretta Aschemann, Amy Taylor, Penny Mummey, Normagene Jenks, Heather McCallum, Carol Blentlinger. **Fourth row:** Jody Gac, Cari Graham, Sr. Rosalie Supinski, Denise Snapp, Sheli Kendrick, Marilyn Lang, Sue Cutrone, Tracey Peters, Carol Hollender, Dawn Peters, Mary Myers, Joyce Kesner, Sr. Mary Magdalene, Sue Williams. **Fifth row:** Karen Crabtree, Kathy Gunlock, Maria Carmody, Stephanie McClelland, Suzanne Smith, Joan Golemon, Wendy Popov, Lisa Tull, Sandy Stupavsky, Jill Mason, Janey Menne, Minnie Grafe, Anne Capestrain, Stacy Schell-Poyser, Eleanore Tardy, Maria Shirey.

DISCOVERING AND CELEBRATING

This last month my oldest daughter had the opportunity to travel to Utah and visit the film festivals there - Sundance and Slamdance, where independent filmmakers try to get noticed and into the business. Often celebrities are seen strolling the streets or attending the showings of the movies, so we asked Maureen if she had seen anyone well known. She shared that she had spotted Dustin Hoffman and his family walking down the street with his family. Maureen's 5-year-old daughter was listening and not to be out done contributed this comment, "Well, I went to HyVee with my friend and her Mom and we saw **Uncle Jason** putting groceries in bags!"

I thought that was a gem and shared it with some friends but after attending a 4th Day Renewal in January as a team member, this funny comeback took on an even deeper meaning for me. At the 4th Day Renewal, an overnight 24-hour experience for anyone who has already made a Cursillo, I was privileged to not only meet but also listen to a well-known person, a real celebrity known all over the world.

However, before I go on about that, let me back up a bit. As we prepared for the weekend, the team met and began each meeting with the scripture from Math.6:25-34, 7:7-8. These scriptures speak of dependence on God - He feeds the birds of the air and they do not sow, would he not then take care of us? They also speak of seeking first His kingdom in our lives, knocking on that door for help, asking for what we need, looking to him through prayer. I know I have read this scripture before but now it took on new life for me and I was fed anew.

When the weekend arrived we were ready to give of ourselves and in the process received so much more - awareness again of His overwhelming love and forgiveness, appreciation for the gifts He has given all of us, community with new and old friends, insight to new ways to study and make sacred spaces in our lives, and the motivation to go forth renewed in His Spirit to touch others in our lives. Gosh, hard to believe it was only 24 hours!

Oh, the celebrity I met and listened to? Was he known for the money he made, the movies he had been in, the books he had written? Actually, he was more like the grocery store bagger, the regular guy that lives down the street from you. His inner riches, not outward trappings has made His name known. I saw him in the eyes of the candidates and team. I felt him in the hugs and acceptance at my table. I heard him speak through the inspired words of the speakers and in the "gentle whisper" to my heart. He is known all over the world - His name is Jesus.

Much love,
Terri May

Attention St. Charles County Cursillistas

There are quite a few residents of St. Charles County Missouri that have made a Cursillo weekend and return to the area with no group reunion to join. I would like to remedy that situation. If you are interested in being part of a group reunion, please contact me either by phone at 636-272-7326 or e-mail me at kortem@earthlink.net.

I will gather the names of anyone that's interested and come up with a mutually agreeable time to meet. As you learned from your Cursillo weekend, we need the support of each other to grow spiritually and stay strong in Christ.

Are you struggling with your walk with Christ? Or is God asking you to support and witness to others? Then take this opportunity to "Take your candle.....and go light your world".

Marie Korte

CURSILLO DATES

#205 March 6 - 9, 2003

Tom Deters

#206 April 3 - 7, 2003

Nan Grawe

#207 June 5 - 8, 2003

Dennis Steinkamp

#208 July 10 - 13

Mary Markert

Applications are available at:
www.quincycursillo.com

FOURTH DAY RENEWAL

September TBA , 2003

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

Applications are available at:
www.quincycursillo.com

GREAT RIVER TEC

TEC #215 March 1-3, 2003

TEC #216 April 26-28, 2003

TEC #217 June 21-23-2003

For information call
Doug Many 217-224-8416

Applications are available at:
www.greatrivertec.org

QUEST

#22 February 21-22, 2002

#23 May 9-10, 2003

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

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

For information call: 1-888-889-9963



Morning Meditation

by Mary Jane Davis

My mom always worried over storm clouds, what might be coming across the bottom land near our home or from the river behind us. This morning Jon's strong, soothing voice read to me of a long ago storm, in Mark 4:35-41. The disciples hung on in their little boat while Jesus slept peacefully.

Ever have trouble sleeping when something in your life is in upheaval? Me too. As a matter of fact, I've been a little restless lately over something I have no control nor say over. I felt Jesus speaking to me this morning through Jon's voice. "Quiet! Be still!" He spoke to the wind and sea. I felt my own quaking subside.

If you don't have Jesus right there, physically, like the disciples did, what do you do when a squall arises from the ocean of life and you feel you or your loved ones are in peril, a job is at stake, your home at risk or someone you love is ill or going down an unsafe path? You can't fix it. Maybe you've tried. You can't do it. You keep hitting that brick wall. It's time to give it to God. It's always God's time. I believe he's got a plan and timing that I can not understand. This "knowing" is called faith. But, you know what? Even though I have all that knowledge and understanding, when these times hit "home", I need help to remember, I need a friend who loves me to whisper in my ear what I already know. I need my Christian Community in Action. Oh, how we need Jesus in one another.

Then I need to wait on the Lord. Waiting on His will is hard, but my friends, I must always come running back to this; getting out in front is so much harder and more painful. Plus, it doesn't work.

This morning I once again heard the whisper of Love, "Quiet, be still, choose peace, grow in faith, turn to Me." That is so much better than the brick wall. Waiting upon His will... As I do this, He gives me good things to do. I keep singing life's song, for Him.

This morning, I look out over the bottom land with the river to my back, and I am grateful! Another good day!

Hugs and Kisses....Mary Jane

ONLINE NEWSLETTER / CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The 4th Day Newsletter is available online at www.quincycursillo.com and it can be e-mailed to you. If you would like to help Cursillo reduce mailing costs, please contact Lisa McDonald and ask her to remove you from the mailing list. Don Hilgenbrink is our "webmaster" and he will send out an e-mail letting you know when the new issue is available online. Please remember to let Don know if your e-mail address changes.

Also, newsletters are bulk mailed so they can NOT be forwarded. Non-deliverable newsletters are returned to us for a .35 charge. Therefore, it is very important to have correct addresses on file to help reduce costs. If you plan to move soon or if someone you know is not getting the newsletter, please let us know. Send your change of address to: Lisa McDonald, 2207 State St, Quincy, IL 62301 or Call 217-223-1787 or E-mail: mcdonald@ksni.net

CANDIDATE APPLICATIONS

Jonathan and Stephanie McClelland
504 West South Border St.
Monroe City, MO 63456
Email: jbmcclel@socket.net
573-735-4337

Fax applications to same number
Mail signed original

TEAM APPLICATIONS OR INFO

Dennis and Connie Hoyt
2206 College Ave.
Quincy, IL 62301
217-224-2322

Candidate and Team applications are
available on the Cursillo web site:
www.quincycursillo.com

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

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Marie Korte
2435 Beaujolais, O'Fallon, MO 63366
636-272-7326
E-mail: kortem@earthlink.net
Deadline for March submissions to
newsletter is March 2nd

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Lisa McDonald,
2207 State St., Quincy, IL 62301
217-223-1787
E-mail: mcdonald@ksni.net

Quincy Cursillo

2207 State Street
Quincy, IL 62301

RETURN SERVICE
REQUESTED

NON-PROFIT ORG
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
QUINCY, IL
62301
PERMIT NO. 5