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Cursillo #212 – December 4 - 8, 2003

Theme: "Let Prayer Change Your Life"

Rectora: Barbara Peasel

Dear Cursillo Family,

I feel very honored and humble to have been chosen as Rectora for Cursillo 212, but maybe like Moses may have felt – "Who am I Oh God that you would send me." Then I'm reminded that God uses ordinary people to do extra ordinary things.

Our theme is "Let Prayer Change Your Life", our scripture is **Psalm 46:10 Be still and know that I am God** and we have two theme songs, "We Come To Pray" and "Here I Am Lord."

Jesus helped me gather a beautiful team of ladies who love our Lord and have grown into a caring and sharing community to welcome the candidates He will be sending us.

We thank you for your prayers and palanca that you are doing for us, and ask you to keep up the good and faithful work. Please join us for our Buddy Mass on Nov. 30 at 2:00 PM at St. Alphonsus Church, Millwood, (near Silex, MO) A carry in will follow in the KC Hall across the road

Spiritual Director: Fr. John Stack, S. Clinton, IA (Sacraments 10:00 a.m. Sat. and Obstacles to Grace, 4:15 p.m. Sat.); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Sr. Joanie Miller, Springfield, IL (Grace, Fri. 11:15 a.m.); Deacon Tony Trautman, O'Fallon, MO (Holy Spirit Divine Aid, Fri. 3:30 p.m.); and Sr. Jane Wand, Quincy, IL (Christian Life, Sun. 10:00 a.m.)

Rectora: Barbara Peasel, Silex, MO (Group Reunion and Ultreya), Sun. 12:25 p.m.) **Assistant Rectoras:** Joan Broyles (Action, Sat. 3:00 p.m.) and Marcella Pollman, (CCIA, Sun. 11:30 a.m.) Troy, MO, and Joan Varadin, (Laywoman in the Church, Fri. 1:30 p.m.) Hannibal, MO.

Rollistas: Mary Koch, Mt. Sterling, IL (Environment, Sun. 9:00 a.m.), Shirley Rothermich, Old Monroe, MO, (Ideals, Fri. 10:00 a.m.); Alice Schuckenbrock, Bowling Green, MO,

(Leaders, Sat. 7:00 p.m.); Theresa Murphy, Troy, MO (Sat. 9:00 a.m.) Christine Lewis, O'Fallon, MO (Piety, Fri. 7:00 p.m.)

Auxiliaries: Kristen Goings, Maywood, MO, Eva Gille, Quincy, IL, Patti Harke and Kathy Himmel, Moscow Mills, MO; Nancy Moulton and Kellie Steele, WhiteHall, IL; Debbie Mueller, St. Paul, MO; Teri Peasel, Troy, MO; Carolyn White, Jacksonville, IL

Sacristan: Joan Brown, Moscow Mills, MO; **Musician:** Judy Meats, Versailles, IL; **Observing Rectora:** Cathleen Koch, Mt. Sterling, IL; **Board Rep:** Jana Casper, LaGrange, MO

Service Team: Wendy Casagrande, Foley, MO; Mary Ann Freise, Moscow Mills, MO; Pam Kelch, Bowling Green, MO; Virgie Keller, Monroe City, MO; Patty Marshall, Dallas City, IL.

Food Service: Jane Runkles, 636-528-2702 and Charlene Twellman, 636-528-7516, Troy, MO. Please feel free to call Jane or Charlene to sign up for serving meals and helping with food service.

You are a very special family and we appreciate all you're doing for us, as you are a part of our weekend too. Please help us fill up the Palanca Chart by the Buddy Mass.

May God bless you abundantly for all you are doing and continue to do for all of us.

In Christ's Love,
Barbara Peasel, Rectora
and the Team of #212

SERVE MEALS

To volunteer to serve meals for Cursillo #212 please call Jane Runkles 636-528-2702 or Charlene Twellman 636-528-7516

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #212
November 30th, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.
St. Alphonsus Church, Millwood, MO
(Hwy E. SW of Silex)
Carry in dinner to follow

Men's Cursillo #213
January 4th, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.
St. Mary's Church
119 S. 7th St. Quincy, IL
Carry in dinner to follow

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #212

December 4th (Thursday)
7:00 p.m. Registration
8:30 p.m. Sponsors Hour

December 6th (Saturday)
8:00 p.m.
Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

December 7th (Sunday)
5:00 p.m. Closing

ULTREYAS

Wednesday, January 7th
7:00 p.m.
Hannibal/Palmyra/Quincy Area
St. Joseph Parish,
Palmyra, MO

Saturday, January 17th
Pike & Lincoln County Ultreya
Sacred Heart Parish
Troy, MO
Ultreya follows 5 p.m. Saturday Mass

CANDIDATES ARE NEEDED FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY WEEKENDS

Applications are available online at:
www.quincycursillo.com

THANK YOU FROM CURSILLO 210

Dear Cursillo Family,

The words "Thank You" just don't seem to be adequate to express our appreciation to each of you for all you did for the team and new Cursillistas of Cursillo 210. We truly do thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the prayers, the palanca, for the Clowns, for the Holy Fools, for those who re-enacted the Stations of the Cross, for those who served meals, for the special meals brought in for those on the team and candidates that had special dietary needs, for the beautiful flowers and plants that made the Chapel so beautiful, for all remembrance gifts, for those beautiful palanca letters, and for all the help we had in getting everything into and out of the North Campus.

We know that it was your prayers and palanca that made our weekend so memorable. Jesus was definitely with us on Cursillo 210 and His love and peace were visible to us all weekend. One of our theme songs was "Open Our Eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus" and we could see Him all around us each time we looked at each other or one of you! God chose us to be on Cursillo 210, and He chose you to show us His love and you did! May God bless you for all you did to make our weekend so wonderful.

We would also like to thank the St. Joseph parish for allowing us the use of their beautiful church for our Buddy Mass and to the Palmyra Group reunion for taking care of the dinner that followed.

It was a humbling honor and privilege to serve as Rectora and I want to thank the Board for giving me this opportunity. God has truly blessed the Quincy Cursillo and with each of us continuing to do His will and constantly praying and lifting each other up, I am sure that those blessings will continue. I have been searching for just the "right words" to express what the weekend was for me, and I just can't come up with it. Awesome, Magnificent, Spirit-filled, Peaceful, it was all that and more. To borrow our dear Jay's word "WAHOO" is as close as I can get.

Thanks again for all you did and please continue to pray for the upcoming weekends. The time we spend in the palanca chapel and serving meals is always time well spent.

We love you,
Billie Huebotter, Rectora,
the Team, and
38 new Cursillistas of Cursillo 210

CURSILLO #211



Front row, left to right: Bob Carney, Scott Fischer, Jonathan McClelland, Joe Pacino, John Danner, Jerry Epperson, Fr. Don Schramm, Bill Gilmore. **Second row:** George Tepen, Bill Casper, Art Shirey, John Peterson, Keith Brinkman, Tim Carmody, Ron Haarmann, Les Kelch, Nick Pacino, Kevin Byerley, Bill Casagrande, Tony Trautman. **Third row:** Blaise McDonald, Paul Laffey, Gary Viar, Dennis Gould, Larry Parent, Steve Smith, Mike Wigand, Marty Slama, Jim Powell, Bill Sinak, Aaron Clark, Thurman Munger. **Fourth row:** Ron Fritts, Kirby Ballard, John Adams, Scott Kattelman, Chuck Amburg, Tracy Devlin, John Einspanien, Joe Cernich, Mark Novak, Bobby Leebold, David Penn, Frank Teasley, Nathan Munger. **Fifth row:** Gene Rosche, Rich Tampon, Kenny Boswell, Steve Williams, Bill Middleton, Larry Bork, Dennis Sommer, Denny Lavery, Roger Hoenes, Kent Turnbull, Chuck McNett, Jeremy Pritchett, Marty Fox, Dennis Holbrook.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR LAY DIRECTOR

Dear Cursillo Family -

It was so good to hear your comments regarding the topic of "Reverence in the Chapel" that was presented to you on a recent weekend. I am very happy that some of you took the time to reflect on this issue and then to let me know how you feel. It was interesting, but not surprising, to find that many Cursillistas, anticipate with much enthusiasm, meeting old and new friends in the chapel to "catch up" and renew the friendship they share with Jesus. That is good stuff! However, there are some who would like a more quiet atmosphere in the chapel and feel a more social area should be relocated to another area. So how do we reach a happy medium? As a result of comments I have thus far received, let me throw out what we will try to do to please the majority.

There will no longer be any sanctified hosts left in the main chapel. Instead they will be stored in the main palanca chapel to be distributed as needed during any Mass. Therefore, please feel comfortable visiting with your friends, but only until the announcements begin. Once they are completed, it would seem fitting that we begin a more quiet time to prepare our minds and hearts for the Mass.

I'm asking for your cooperation in the large palanca chapel by observing a quiet atmosphere in the room at all times. This is the **room designated specifically for prayer** and I feel we need to honor the purpose for which it was designed. Keep in mind, that this is also the new storage area for the sanctified hosts. If you feel a need to visit, you are welcome to step outside to the hall or even go into one of the smaller chapels. Let's all try to give our utmost respect to one another in the palanca chapel.

And now, let's address the "kiss of peace" during Mass. Nothing feels better than a warm hug from someone you love. But, if that "someone you love" is across the room and you have to push through and ignore fellow Cursillistas, without even acknowledging their presence, then the true meaning and sincerity of that hug has perhaps been lost along the way. Could I please suggest that we hug those in our immediate area and eliminate squeezing through the aisles to get from one end to another. That person sitting right next to you might need your hug more than you could ever imagine. That person sitting next to you should be as much of a reflection of Jesus as anyone else could be. I encourage you to spread your love to those in your immediate vicinity, and "throw kisses" to those farther away.

I am proud to serve as your Lay Director and am honored to serve you in the best way I can. I want to serve Jesus in every way I can. I have found that sometimes Jesus calls me to make decisions that may not always be well received by everyone. Please don't ever hesitate to share your interests and/or concerns with any Board member or me. That is what we are here for – the good of all, and the opportunity for us to walk a closer walk with Jesus.

As I sign off this month I would like you to reflect upon: "As we walk with God, we take on His thoughts, His principles, His attitudes. We take on His heart. Walk with Him long enough and you will come to know His heart." And fellow Cursillistas, we were after all created to "know Him, to love Him, and to serve Him."

DeColores and WAHOO!

Jay Grawe

MEET THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Sheryl Geisler

I was introduced to Cursillo by my sponsors, Ronnie and Patty Koch, and Joe Geisler in Feb. 1980 #44. I wanted to go! I found Cursillo to be a healing weekend for myself as I was a young widow of 7 months. I knew Jesus personally, but after the death of my husband I felt numb to love, even Jesus's love.

I was touched deeply on my 1st weekend and I have been touched on each one since.

I was privileged to be Rectora on # 135 in 1995. I was blessed to serve on the Cursillo board in 1997-2000. I am married to Joe, (one of my sponsors!) now of 23 years. Our oldest son Philip Krupps, 25 years old, has made a Cursillo. Seth, age 21, loves hunting. Katie, 19 years old, is now a sophomore at Lincoln Christian College, playing volleyball and basketball.

I love Jesus, being a mom, singing, teaching CNA classes for JWCC partime. Thank-you for allowing me to serve you!

CURSILLO DATES

#213 January 8-11, 2004

Jerry Epperson

#214 February 5-8, 2004

Cathleen Koch

#215 March 11-14, 2004

Vernon Korte

#216 April 15-18, 2004

Jane Deters

#217 June 3-6, 2004

Matt Entrup

#218 July 8-11, 2004

Giny Baker

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GREAT RIVER TEC

TEC #221 January 17-19, 2004

Bonnie Nytes, Director

TEC #222 March 6-8, 2004

Jerry and Anita Eberhardt

TEC #223 April 24-26, 2004

Dwight and Barb Seeley

TEC #224 June 12-14, 2004

Genny Gramke

For information call
Barb and Dwight Seeley
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www.greatrivertec.org

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For information call
Donna Siebers 217-222-3627
Kathy Steinbrecher 217-228-1518

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD

with Fr. Bill Burton

Dates: Nov. 19; Dec. 3, 17

Time: Wednesday 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Where: Quincy University's North
Campus in the auditorium.

CURSILLO BENEFIT CONCERT

The Cursillo Family is starting a Scholarship Fund to assist candidates who cannot afford the fee to attend a Cursillo weekend. A Christian Music Concert is going to be held as the Kick-Off Event for the Cursillo Scholarship Fund.

Ralph Fairchild, singer/guitarist and Quincy Cursillista, will be presenting an evening of sharing the word of God through music. Ralph will share his witness about Cursillo and present the gospel through his music. He is asking for a free-will offering with 20% of the collection going towards the Cursillo Scholarship Fund.

When: Sunday, November 23rd
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Where: St. Francis Church, Quincy, IL

Hosts Needed for Overnight Accommodations

We are getting many requests for overnight accommodations in Quincy. There is a need for volunteers in the Quincy area to open their homes for out of town guests to stay on Cursillo weekends. Many Cursillistas drive for many hours so that they can take part in weekend activities at the Retreat Center. It's a long drive to return home each night and costs from a hotel stay may not be affordable.

If you have a spare bed and would like the opportunity to get to know Cursillistas that you may otherwise not meet, please contact Leanne Schell at 217-222-6690.

There are many ways to offer up palanca for a weekend. Opening your home is just one more opportunity for palanca.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please send your address changes to Lisa McDonald. The 4th Day Newsletter is not forwarded so if you know you are going to be moving or if you know of someone that is not receiving the newsletter, please contact Lisa at 217-223-1787, or e-mail: newsletter@quincycursillo.com.

If you are receiving the newsletter by e-mail and your email address has changed, please e-mail Don Hilgenbrinck at don@hilgenbrinck.net

The 4th Day Newsletter is also available online at the Quincy Cursillo website: www.quincycursillo.com.

Living one day at a time,
Enjoying one moment at a time,
Accepting hardship as the pathway to peace.
Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it.
Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His will
That I may be reasonably happy in this life,
And supremely happy with Him forever in the next. Amen

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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
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CURSILLO ACCOMMODATIONS

If you would like to stay overnight in Quincy on Cursillo weekends at no charge, please call:
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