

# The FOURTH DAY



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## Cursillo #238: July 6 - 9, 2006

Theme: "In This Place"

Rectora: Donna Thompson

Dearest Cursillo Family,

What can I say? I am truly honored and humbled to be called to serve as Rectora on Cursillo #238. Our theme and theme Song for our weekend is "In This Place." Our scripture verses are: **1)** Jeremiah 29: 11-13 "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to give you hope and a future. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart." **2)** 2 Corinthians 12: 9 "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

There is a common thread in the song, theme and scripture verses. God is telling us how much He loves us and wants only the best for us. God also recognizes we are sinful and weak, but He gives us the love and grace if we but trust in Him. God has woven a beautiful fabric of a team, each with her/his own color scheme and texture and each contributing to the exquisite masterpiece for the robe of Christ.

The team that God chose for Cursillo #238 has proven to be a group of humbled servants. Our team meetings have been evident of the power of prayer and of the Holy Spirit. As in Micah 6:8, "This is what the Lord asks of you: only this, to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with your God."

God has an awesome surprise and a blessing waiting for those candidates who will be journeying with us to see & experience Jesus "IN THIS PLACE."

These gracious team members who said "yes" to Jesus also said "yes" to become one body in Christ, bringing their her/his unique gifts to the table of the Lord.

Those serving our Lord and Cursillo #238 are: **Spiritual Director:** Fr. John Stack, Clinton, IA (Holy Spirit-Divine Aid, Friday - 3:30 p.m. and Obstacles to Grace - Saturday, 4:15 p.m.).

**Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Fr. Don Knuffman, Petersburg, IL (Sacraments, Saturday - 10:00 a.m.); Fr. Kurt Hartrich, Quincy, IL (Christian Life, Sunday - 10:00 a.m.); and Sr. Mary Fran Flynn, St. Louis, MO (Grace, Friday - 11:15 a.m.).

**Assistant Rectoras:** Teresa Robinson, Quincy, IL (Leaders, Saturday - 7:00 p.m.); Therese Long, Monroe City, MO (Laywoman in the Church, Friday - 1:30 p.m.); and Karen Meehan, Roodhouse, IL (Action, Saturday - 3:00 p.m.).

**Rollistas:** Tracy Hays, Monroe City, MO (Environment, Sunday - 9:00 a.m.); Sheli Martin Kendrick, (Ideals, Friday - 10:00 a.m.); Pam Eftink (Piety, Friday - 7:00 p.m.); Judy Junkerman (CCIA, Sunday - 11:30 a.m.); and Jill Mason (Study, Saturday - 9:00 a.m.) all of Quincy, IL.

**Auxilliaris:** Megan Thompson, Jefferson City, MO; Donna Mitchell and Audrey Gough, Shelbina, MO; Paulina Tramel, Canton, MO; Angie Troesser, Fulton, MO; Teresa Hays, Palmyra, MO; Shelia Gafford, New Baden, IL; Jane Vollrath & Sheryl Underhill, Monroe City, MO.

**Sacristan:** Karen Crabtree, Murrayville, IL; **Musician:** Vicky Mitchell, Quincy, IL; **Assistant Musician:** Cheryl Wagner, Davenport, IA; **Service Team:** Pat Troesser, Laddonia, MO; Tracy Waterkotte and Patti Bunch, Quincy, IL & Amy Koch, Mt. Sterling, IL; **Food Service Team:** Rose Hanke, Camp Point, IL; and Delores Davis, Bowling Green, MO.

**Observing Rectora:** Claudia Davis, Quincy, IL; **Board Rep:** Renae Jansen, Quincy, IL; **Rectora:** Donna Thompson, Monroe City, MO (Group Reunion and Ultreya, Sunday - 12:25 p.m.).

God bless each and every one of you for your prayers and Palanca. I ask that you continue as we still are on this journey. I also **encourage** you to sign up for the Palanca Chapel. For it is in the prayers that we are sustained.

Please join our Buddy Mass celebration, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. at St. Francis Church in Quincy, IL. A carry-in dinner will follow.

Thanks so much for your love, sacrifice and prayers for the Lord, team and candidates of Cursillo #238. Jesus is most assuredly "IN THIS PLACE" Love ya,  
Donna Thompson, Rectora  
Cursillo #238

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### BUDDY MASS

**Women's Cursillo #238**  
June 25, 2006 at 3 p.m..  
St. Francis Church, Quincy, IL  
Carry-in dinner to follow

**Men's Cursillo #239**  
August 20, 2006 at 2 p.m.  
Holy Rosary Church  
405 S. Main St., Monroe City, MO  
Carry-in dinner to follow

### WOMEN'S CURSILLO #238

**July 6th (Thursday)**  
7:30 p.m. Registration  
8:30 p.m. Sponsors Hour

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

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

### ULTREYAS

**Saturday, July 15**  
Jacksonville Area Ultreya  
Follows the 5:30 p.m. Mass  
Our Saviour Covenant Church  
Jacksonville, IL  
Upper Room of Parish Admin Bldg.

**Saturday, July 22**  
Collinsville Community Ultreya  
Follows 4:30 p.m. Mass  
Morris Hall, Sts. Peter & Paul Parish  
Carry-in and program to follow

### SERVE MEALS

To volunteer to serve meals for  
Cursillo #238 please call:  
Rose Hanke 217-593-7439  
or Delores Davis 573-324-0052

## Annual Golf Outing and Annual Mass

Typically about this time of year, we are announcing plans for the Annual Golf Outing and Annual Picnic Mass. Fear not, golfing enthusiasts, these events will be held but a specific date has not yet been set.

You can go ahead and start putting your 4-person scrambles together or considering corporate hole signs.

Watch next month's Fourth Day Newsletter for the details.

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## Walk To Emmaus

Central Illinois Walk to Emmaus will again hold Walks this year at the Retreat Center. A men's weekend will be held August 24-27 and a women's weekend will be September 21-24. Members of the Cursillo community are welcome to participate. Pilgrims arrive at 7 p.m. on Thursday with sponsor's hour at 8 p.m. Apostolic Hour is on Saturday night at 8:30 p.m. with Closing on Sunday at 5 p.m.

For more information, contact Brenda Wessel at 217-323-2553 or e-mail [grammab@motion.net](mailto:grammab@motion.net).

## Volunteers On-Call

Discussions with University representatives are moving forward regarding relocation of all retreat programs to the North Side of the facility. A meeting was held at the end of May to determine how the space will be utilized by the various movements.

There will be a need for volunteers this summer to help with painting and removal of some walls, and much more yet to be determined. Please consider volunteering your time as calls are sent out requesting help. Any and all help will be welcome.

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## Homes Needed For Overnight Guests

Would you be willing to open your homes to other Cursillistas who are traveling from great distances during Cursillo weekends? If you live in Quincy and would be willing to provide overnight accommodations, please contact Nancy Weede at 217-222-0922 or email: [nweede@adams.net](mailto:nweede@adams.net). Considering the increase in gas prices, this has become a more urgent need.

## CURSILLO #237



**Front row, left to right:** Jeff Steinkamp, David Waterkotte, Jared Holbrook, Harold Hall, Tom Holck, Howard Pieper, Doug Many, Sheldon Robinson, Gary Hodgson, Dwight Seeley, Bill Gilmore, Art Shirey. **Row two:** Bill Huber, Warren Woodward, Chris Wegs, Bob Nytes, Jack Powers, Gabriel VanderBol, Tom Maher, Jeff Freeman, Tim Siemer, Eric Meyer, Bill Brandt, Jay Grawe, Vernon Korte. **Row three:** Toby Daniels, David Lunt, David Adam, Mark Foley, Robin Coggeshall, Larry Dowell, Darrel Mueller, Nick Steinkamp, Jack Hunter, Marty Fox, Brad Ritterbusch. **Row four:** Bob Sheffield, Scott Douglas, Joe Haubrich, Jay Douglas, Bob See, Christopher Bieniek, Mike Rothermich, Chris Bunch, Greg Wittland. **Row five:** Fr. Mike Kuse, Russ Rohrer, Steve Dohrn, Mark Lawrence, Andrew Mayfield, Chris Weiss, Rick Casagrande, Pat Greenwell, Chris Patterson, Mike Gafford, Stephen Vogt.

## From the Lay Director's Notebook

### And Now, A word from Our Sponsors

At the May Cursillo Board meeting we had several of our Cursillistas invited to express their views and feelings on topics dealing with Cursillo.

Each of the invited speakers either presented their opinions verbally or a letter they had written was read for them by a Board member if they were unable to attend. Other unscheduled speakers also presented their views to the Board. No answers were given to the speakers as it was not the intent of the Board to try and answer the questions without giving them due consideration, nor was their any rebuttal of anyone's views.

Some of the topics brought up were;

- The policy requiring the husband to make a Cursillo before the wife.
- The issue of having to sign up to serve meals.
- There not being any entertainment allowed at the meal on Sunday.
- The no touching rule at the Sunday meal (no back rubs etc.).
- The 20% limit on non-Catholic Christians on weekends should be eliminated.
- The price of a weekend is too high.
- A wife or girl friend of a male must go on the next weekend.
- Assistant Rectors and Rectoras should attend the training session for Rectors & Rectoras.
- There should be scholarship funds for candidates who cannot afford the full cost.

Several non-Board members spoke to answer some of these points.

- The 20% percent rule was set by the Bishop not by the Board.
- It has always been policy to try to get a wife or girl friend on the women's Cursillo directly after the men's weekend.
- One woman spoke of being touched inappropriately at dinner on her first weekend.

The Board will look at all of these points over a period of time and give them all careful consideration before responding in any way.

Thanks for all you do in His name.

Jim Nevins

### Post-Cursillo Notes

*These Notes serve as a reminder to both long-time and new Cursillistas as a way to learn more about Cursillo and the opportunities to serve and grow in the Lord.*

#### Palanca

Palanca is one absolutely essential element of a Cursillo weekend. This is where the fuel for the Cursillo is generated. All of us have benefited from the wonderful self giving of others. Follow their example by making a whole-hearted commitment and follow through. Cursillistas are needed to fill the hours in the Palanca Chapel each weekend. If there is no one to cover the Palanca Chapel, then a Team Member must fill in which takes them away from other weekend duties. The Palanca Chart is available at Buddy Mass or you can call Mike Holbrook at 217-223-6676 to sign-up.

Palanca Letters need to be written to the Team and the Candidates. These are spiritually and psychologically important. Remember how you felt when you

found out how many people were praying for you? Please write letters to those you know as well as those you do not know. Make sure these letters are delivered on Thursday evening or Friday morning if at all possible. Letters are needed for Friday and Saturday. Unless all of the Candidates and Team have letters, none will be given out. Candidates and Team names are posted in the letter writing room.

Palanca includes prayer, fasting, sacrifices of any kind, and helping out behind the scenes. Remember that prayer and palanca are essential for the success of the weekend. Please do NOT bring gifts for the for the team or candidates, such as flowers, etc.

## Cursillo Board Members 2005-2006

Fr. Tom Henseler, Spiritual Director  
Jim Nevins, Lay Director  
Dennis Steinkamp, Assistant Lay Director

Mike Baker	Sheryl Geisler
Jane Deters	Renae Jansen
Tom Deters	Vernon Korte
Mary Dodd	John Peterson
Rob Edwards	Marcia Steinkamp

Next Board Meeting  
June 15, 2006 at 7 p.m.

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### CURSILLO DATES

September 7-10, 2006 - Harold Hall  
Sept. 28-Oct. 1, 2006- Claudia Davis  
November 2-5, 2006 - Jim Cramsey  
Nov. 30 - Dec. 3, 2006 - Darlene Boland  
January 4-7, 2007 - Dennis Cobb  
February 1-4, 2007 - Cindy Naber

Applications are available at:  
[www.quincycursillo.com](http://www.quincycursillo.com)

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### GREAT RIVER TEC

TEC #238 June 24-26, 2006  
Lay Directors, Dave & Lynn Hummel  
TEC #239 July 29-31, 2006  
Lay Directors, Harry & Cindy Cramer  
TEC #240 October 7-9, 2006  
Lay Director, John Baumgartner

For information call  
Bob and Bonnie Nytes 217-223-7372  
E-mail: [bon12\\_@hotmail.com](mailto:bon12_@hotmail.com)  
Applications are available at:  
[www.greatrivertec.org](http://www.greatrivertec.org)

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### QUEST

#35 June 16-17, 2006  
Directors, Bonnie & Bob Nytes

#36 August 4-5, 2006

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

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### WALK TO EMMAUS

Men's - August 24-27, 2006  
Women's - Sept. 21-24, 2006  
Apostolic Hour Sat. Evening 8:30 p.m.

For more information, contact  
Brenda Wessel 217-323-2553  
E-mail: [grammab@motion.net](mailto:grammab@motion.net)

## Cursillo in Christianity

2207 State Street  
Quincy, IL 62301

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**DID YOU VOTE??**  
**Board Member Election**  
Submit ballot by July 15th.  
See the May newsletter for ballot

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### In the Power of that Name

"Morning Medication" by Mary Jane Davis  
Luke 4:10 "Jesus Christ...in the power of that name..."

I work in Nutrition Service for our local school system as a substitute cafeteria worker; which means I'm a "lunch lady". This still amazes my grandson Seth. I get early morning calls with instructions to go to one of the 30 schools in our district.

Yesterday I was at a high school, an intensely busy environment. I noticed a student sobbing out in the hallway. A friend was consoling her. Moments later I saw one of my co-workers talking with the girl, comforting her. It really touched me. Though in the middle of a very busy work day, she took time. I've been to this school several days and have been the recipient of this co-worker's kindness when I really needed it. In small ways, I've seen Jesus in her. Small ways make big differences.

Giving comfort does not answer the world's questions nor solve people's problems. We have to work away at that for ourselves, don't we? However, receiving comfort often makes the difference of being able to pick up and continue the journey instead of feeling like you're alone and unloved.

In the name of Jesus, today let us be comforters. A pat on the shoulder, a hug, drying a tear, making a phone call, dropping a note, or extending a helping hand are ways of saying 'I care' and may be all one needs to carry on through with courage and perseverance.

We may need comfort one day and be the comforter the next. One thing to remember, through the power of that name, small ways make the difference. It just takes a minute, doesn't it Lord? To make a difference... Help me pay attention and know when to step up to the bat.

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#### CANDIDATE APPLICATIONS

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**Candidate and Team applications are available at: [www.quincycursillo.com](http://www.quincycursillo.com)**

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