



## Cursillo #309, March 26 – 29, 2015

**Rector: Joe Buttitta**

**Theme: “Building a Solid Foundation”**

Dear Cursillo Family,

De Colores from the team of Cursillo #309! We are truly blessed to have such a great team of men and women. Although the weather has affected our meeting schedule somewhat, it has been a pleasure to get to know each member of this team. Our theme is, “Building a Solid Foundation”. The theme song is “City of God” and our Scripture verse is Matthew 7:24, “Anyone who hears my words and puts them into practice is like the wise man who built his house on rock.”

We all know that our Christianity doesn’t insulate us from the trials and calamities of life. However, a solid foundation in Christianity will enable us to endure and “rebuild” when the most tragic events of our lives come crashing down upon us. May the candidates and team of Cursillo #309 have the opportunity to rebuild, repair or otherwise shore up our Christian foundation with the love of Christ!

The team is as follows:

**Spiritual Director:** Fr. John Doctor, Quincy (Sacraments, Saturday, 10 am); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Fr. Don Antweiler, Loose Creek, MO (Grace, Friday, 11:15 am); Fr. Chris Comerford, Granite City, IL (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday, 3:30 pm); Deacon Jim Hill, Collinsville, IL (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday, 4:15 pm); Sr. Loyola Miller, Springfield, IL (Christian Life, Sunday, 10 am).

**Assistant Rectors:** Don Arnold, Barry, IL (Study, Saturday, 9 am); Scott Splaingard, Collinsville, IL (Action, Saturday, 3 pm); Mike May, Jacksonville, IL (Ideals, Friday, 10 am).

**Rollistas:** Ken Feldman, Mt. Pleasant, IA (Laity, Friday 1:30 pm); Dan Kramer, Liberty, IL (Piety, Friday 6:45 pm); Gary Mast, Fowler, IL (Leaders, Saturday 7 pm); Dan Leonatti, Mexico, MO (Environment, Sunday 9 am); Randy Goben, Roodhouse, IL (CCIA, Sunday 11 am).

**Auxiliaries:** Tom Goetten, Jerseyville, IL; John Grey, Winchester, IL; Tyler May, Macon, MO; Chuck Mellon, Liberty, IL; Wayne Alexander, Carrollton, IL; Caleb Briscoe, Roodhouse, IL; Richard Schafer, Martinsburg, MO; William Twyford and Bradley Boeing, Quincy.

**Service Team:** Dave Ferrill, Mt. Sterling, IL; Norb Dixon and Ramon Wheeler, Quincy; George Schultz, Jacksonville, IL; and Tim Carmody, Hardin, IL.

**Food Service Team:** Dan Eilerman, Carrollton, IL; Phil Thompson, Monroe City, MO; Gabe Vanderbol, Quincy, IL.

**Musician:** Dennis Ippensen, Liberty, IL; **Sacristan:** Tom Meehan, Roodhouse, IL; **Board Representative:** Don Beeley, Jacksonville, IL; **Observing Rector:** Joe Haubrich, Quincy; **Rector:** Joe Buttitta, Roodhouse, IL (Group Reunion & Ultreya, Sunday 12 p.m.) and Karen Crabtree, Roodhouse, IL (A Woman Speaks Her Mind, Sun. 1 pm).

We invite you to the Buddy Mass at 2:00 pm on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at All Saints Church in White Hall, IL with a carry-in dinner to follow at Seton Hall. Please bring a covered dish to share. The team will provide the meat.

Ladies, if you would like to serve meals, please call Dan Eilerman at 217-248-9077, Phil Thompson at 573-735-4830 or Gabe Vanderbol at 217-779-1325.

Joe Buttitta  
Rector #309

### Candidate Applications

**Notice to Sponsors:** Due to possible postal mail delays, if you are submitting a candidate application within three weeks of the Cursillo weekend to which they are applying, please email the application and sponsor form (scan it or take photo of it) to quincycursillonfp@gmail.com or fax to 217-224-6145. Then mail the original signed candidate application, sponsor form and deposit as indicated on the application. The cut-off to submit applications is the Sunday prior to the weekend.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### BUDDY MASS

##### Men’s Cursillo #309

Sun. March 22, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.  
All Saints Church, White Hall, Ill.  
Carry-in dinner following Mass

##### Women’s Cursillo #310

Sun. April 19, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.  
All Saints Church, White Hall, Ill.  
Carry-in dinner following Mass

#### ULTREYAS

##### Tri-State Area Ultreya

Friday, March 6, 2015  
Quincy University Chapel, Quincy  
Begins with Special Mass at 6:30 pm

##### Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 7, 2015  
Our Saviour Parish Admin Bldg.  
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

##### Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 7, 2015  
Sts Peter and Paul Parish Morris Hall  
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

##### Martinsburg/Montgomery Co. Ultreya

Saturday, March 7, 2015  
Immaculate Conception, Montgomery City  
Follows 5 pm Mass

##### Lincoln County Ultreya

Saturday, March 7, 2015  
Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, Mo.  
Follows 5 pm Mass

##### Shelby County Ultreya

Saturday, March 7, 2015  
Fr. Buhman Center in Shelbina  
Follows 5 pm Mass

##### Highland Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 14, 2015  
St. Paul Parish Center  
Follows the 5 pm Mass

##### Hannibal Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 21, 2015  
Holy Family Parish, Hannibal  
St. Michael Hall following 5:30 pm Mass

### Upcoming Cursillo Dates

Apr. 23-26, 2015 - Karen Meehan, Rectora  
June 25-28, 2015 - Joe Haubrich, Rector  
July 16-19, 2015 - Naomi Egbert, Rectora  
Sept. 24-27, 2015 - Tom Holck, Rector  
Nov. 5-8, 2015 - Joan Broyles, Rectora

## 4th Day Renewal

When: March 13-14 2015 from 7 pm Fri. to 7 pm Sat.  
Where: Retreat Center-Quincy  
Cost: \$45  
Directors: David and Mary Dodd

4th Day Renewal is a 24-hour experience of personal growth designed for those who have previously made a Cursillo weekend and are wanting to renew and develop their spirituality.

This relaxed, co-ed environment is ideal for singles and for couples that would like to experience a little bit of Cursillo as a couple. Couples will be roomed together but will not be at the same tables.

Download an application or register online at [www.quincycursillo.com](http://www.quincycursillo.com)

Mailed applications can be mailed to:

Dave & Terri May, Reservation Coordinators  
3922 Harbor Lane, Quincy, IL

If you have questions about the 4th Day Renewal, call either Dave & Terri May at 217-224-7027 or Vernon Korte at 573-324-3611.

## Overnight Accomodations Available in Quincy

There are Cursillistas in the Quincy area that open their homes to travelers from a distance to stay overnight during Cursillo weekends. For reservations, call Committee Chair Nancy Weede at 217-223-9610 or email: [sjkt13579@yahoo.com](mailto:sjkt13579@yahoo.com)

## Thank you from Cursillo #307

De Colores Cursillo Family,

What an awesome weekend that was experienced by the men of Cursillo #307. The peace of Christ that was given to all of the men was evident as we witnessed the "Amazing Grace" of everyone's prayer and palanca. The outpouring of your love was appreciated by the men as they witnessed you being a community of love through all of the ministries that you shared. Thanks to the power of the Holy Spirit that was allowed to work through the team of #307, 47 wonderful men have been added to our Cursillo family. May God bless each and every one of you for sharing your faith.

Greg Wittland, Rector

## New Women's Group Reunion

A women's Group Reunion recently started in Quincy that is an open group - meaning you can join at any time. All are welcome - any age, any denomination, any city or town.

The group reunion meets weekly at 7:30 pm at Holy Cross Friary, 724 North 20th Street, Quincy - in the basement meeting room. Barb Dietrich is the contact person if you have any questions, call her at 217-257-8129.

Group reunions are extremely important to continue the spirit of fellowship found on the Cursillo weekend, giving one another spiritual support and apostolic encouragement. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to meet new friends to enrich your faith.

## Cursillo #308



**Front row, left to right:** Judy Meats, Deb Druffel, Fr. James Wheeler, OFM, Evelyn Uppinghouse, Sister Jane Wand, SSND, Kathy Cramsey, Judy Oberman. **Second row:** Judy Taylor, Martha Talleur, Margo Buehne, Maggie Reis, Amanda Martin, Heather Crane, Eva Giovando, JoAnn Wilcox, Michelle Welbourne, Karen Meehan. **Third row:** LeNora Swan, Alice Schwartz, Carlyn Meats, Shelley Nacke, Valerie Gibbs, Carol Wieduwilt, KerryAnn Hughes, Susan Peasel, Meg Earsley, Sharon Zehnle, Laurie Assell. **Fourth row:** Kathy Williams, Marla Reid, Ann Gage, Kathy Rossmiller, Jeanette Greving, Mary Lenane, Esther Urban, Mary Marchal, Mary Glosier, Heather Riney, Bonnie Ahrens, Rosemary Gilmore. **Fifth row:** Rhonda Cors, Callie Bushmeyer, Rhonda Kestler, Connie Bealor, Carol Haistings, Sarah Genenbacher, Amy Fleck, Laura Steinman, Mary Jo Reed, Kathi Moore, Brenda McKinley, Angela Lipcamon, Monica Huffman. **Sixth row:** Janet Summy, Carolyn White, Jane Runkles, Mary Rosenthal, Karen Wolf, Debbie Zobrist, Molly Mosinski, Lisa Welch, Donna Campbell, Amy Johnson, Marcella Pollman, Krista Davis, Cathy Ell.

## Meet New Assistant Lay Director

As was mentioned in last month's newsletter, Mike Baker is our new Assistant Lay Director, replacing Ed Holthaus. To help you get to know Mike, following is a brief bio.

I made my original Cursillo in Kansas City - #91 in Sept. of 1971. My first team was in Quincy #65 and was Rector of #108 in Sept of 1990. I am married to Giny and we have 5 children with 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. We are members of St. Anthony Parish in Quincy where I serve as Lector, Eucharist Minister and Minister to the Sick.

I have served one full term as Cursillo Board Representative and recently served out another Board Reps. term. We volunteer for meals on Wheels once a week. I also volunteer with Blessing Palliative Care and Hospice by visiting and sitting up with those in need. I am also newly retired just this past December.

Mike Baker



## Message From Our Lay Director

We are now in the season of Lent. I don't know about you, but it seems like we just finished Christmas! Lent is the time we need to prepare for the celebration of Easter. The remembrance of Jesus sacrifice of Himself in the Paschal Mystery. When I think of Lent, the thought comes of giving up something that we would normally enjoy. Not eating candy or drinking soda or coffee come to mind. My personal favorite is not eating Brussel Sprouts. But that is missing the spirit of Lent in that I don't like them anyway.

Do we sometimes miss the spirit or meaning of Lent? Are we more concerned with what we should give up than what we should give to? Are we thinking more about what we are not doing when we should be thinking about what we should be doing? Commonly the three duties of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

"But I already do those things!" you may say. Lent then is to be a renewal of our efforts of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Besides Mass on Sunday maybe attend a Mass during the week. Increase our prayer time in the morning, or make a better effort to be aware of our prayer meditation and not be distracted by things around. Maybe turn that TV off! Determine to pray with our spouse, or before bed at night reflect on our day with a short examen to see how we did.

Fasting and almsgiving can sometimes be more difficult. Doing without those snacks in the middle of the day during all of Lent is a good start. Spending less time watching TV or some other activities that are really not necessary. There are a number of ways to help those in need of food or clothing. Many groups can use help with providing food baskets or clothing drives. Many communities have opportunities such as Salvation Army, Ladies of Charities and some parishes have St Vincent de Paul Societies and food pantries.

If we are serious about Lent we can find many ways to make it a great renewal of our lives for Easter.

DeColores,  
Dennis Steinkamp

## Book of Remembrance

The Cursillo Community remembers those who have passed from this life to be with Christ with a "Book of Remembrance". This book includes the names of our deceased Cursillistas and is presented at each Cursillo weekend Mass so that they may benefit from our prayers of intercession.

If you would like to have a loved one's name placed in our Book of Remembrance, we need four pieces of information:

1. Name of the deceased;
2. Cursillo number (if known);
3. Date of death
4. City and State

Please e-mail this information to Mike Holbrook at: holbrook6@gmail.com or call Mike at 217-653-5555.

If your deceased family member was also involved with TEC, please provide their name to Jerry Eberhardt by e-mailing: jae12@comcast.net or call 217-222-5333.

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Retreat Center Conference Room

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## Discovering and Celebrating

by Terri May

In the book "The Be (Happy) Attitudes", Robert Schuller tells this story: There once was a mother skunk who took her baby skunks for a walk. As they walked along they passed by a glue factory. There was a terrible stench coming from the factory and one of the babies asked his mother, "What IS that smell, Mother?" The Mother informed him it was the glue and with that the little skunk piped up, "I want SOME of THAT!" Then Schuller goes on to say that we should be such joyful Christians that people who are around us will say, "I want Some of THAT!" What makes me a joyful person? Where do I find joy in life? What makes me smile? Quoting a verse from the musical "The Sound of Music" - "...here are a few of my favorite things!"

My almost 4 yr. old grandson, Grayson, saw a band-aid on my arm and very concerned, asked if I had an "Ouchy, boo-boo". And then went on to ask if I fell down outside or did someone kick me, which made me laugh out loud but also made me happy that a 4 year old cares for other people's "Ouchy, boo-boos". Then there is my 2 year old granddaughter, Sylvia Rose, who called a man she saw at the grocery store, "Paw-Paw" who had a white goatee and mustache just like her Grandpa. My daughter said they kept running into the gentleman as they went up and down the aisles and he laughed along with our daughter because Sylvia with her fair skin and hair and blue eyes apparently only saw the goatee and white hair and not the dark skin color of the man. Isn't that great?! Love the way God teaches us simple truths through children - like caring, relationships, and the healing power of laughter.

Sometimes I smile when God gives me a wink to let me know He is here. Like the time I was out walking to the beat of the I-pod

and I asked God where did He want me to go from here and the song that randomly popped up was "Turn Around Look At Me" by the Vogues. Some of the words to the song go like this; "There is someone walking behind you, Turn around, look at me. There is someone watching your footsteps.....There is someone who really needs you. Here's my heart in my hand.....Understand, understand. That there's someone who'll love and guide you. Turn around, look at me. I've waited, but I'll wait forever for you to come to me. Look at someone... Who really loves you ..Turn around, look at me." And to be honest, I DID turn around and look with a big smile on my face and in my heart!

Every so often I add a song to my repertoire to sing in the shower, in the car or whenever I feel like singing. My new favorite is "Accentuate the Positive" - "Accentuate the positive, eliminate the negative, latch on to the affirmative and don't mess with Mr. In-between. Spread joy to the maximum, bring gloom down to the minimum, have Faith or Pandemonium is liable to walk upon the scene." To illustrate my last remark - Jonah in the Whale and Noah in the Ark. What did they do when things began to look so dark? They said, "Man, you gotta accentuate the positive, eliminate the negative, latch on to the affirmative and don't mess with Mr. In between!" Singing puts joy into my heart so I can spread it around to others and also pull it out on a rainy day when I am down and need some of His Sonshine.

Lord, thank you for all the ways you speak to me of your love, be it through jokes, children, or songs. Help me to keep you alive in my heart but visible to others so they can be infected with your joy because they too -WANT SOME OF THAT.

Always yours, Terri May