



Cursillo #325: March 30 - April 2, 2017

Rector: Ron Clark

Theme: "Knock and The Door Shall Be Opened"

Dear Cursillo Family,

I have stated from the beginning that I was feeling very "inadequate." While that feeling still lingers, I am reminded that God does not call the qualified, He qualifies the called. I am quite sure that I am not qualified, so I'm putting this on His doorstep. I am listening to His 'Knock', and I have 'Opened the Door' to what He has placed before me. We have held 3 meetings and His team is bonding already. I have enjoyed the mix I have seen in this team and I am certain we will have an awesome weekend. Please pray for us as we continue this journey, and pray that the candidates will be plenty.

With humility and respect, I present to you the Team for Cursillo #325: **Spiritual Director:** Msgr. Mike Kuse, Quincy (Sacraments, Saturday 10 am); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Fr. John Stack, Mt. Pleasant, IA (Grace, Friday 11:15 am); Fr. Chuck Edwards, Ashland, IL (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday 3:30 pm); Deacon John Esselman, Liberty (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4:15 pm); and Deacon Jeff Wolf, Quincy (Christian Life, Sunday 10 am).

Assistant Rectors: Russ Rohrer, Quincy (Laity, Friday 1:30 pm); Dale Gervais, Palmyra, MO (Study, Saturday 9 am); Gary Mast, Fowler, IL (Action, Saturday 3 pm).

Rollistas: Chris Ornellas, Greenfield, IL (Ideal, Friday 10 am); Tom Ernst, Quincy (Piety, Friday 6:45 pm); Ralph Fairchild, Quincy (Leaders, Saturday 7 pm); David Hanke, Camp Point, IL (Environment, Sunday 9 am); Kevin Terwelp, Payson (CCIA, Sunday 11 am).

Auxiliaries: Russ Doellman, David Farkas, Mark Neisen, and Dean Schulte all of Quincy; Bill Twyford and Tom Gutzler of Highland, IL; Jim Lageman, Pittsfield, IL; Mark Dowil, New London, MO; and Beaux Cole, Jacksonville, IL.

Service Team: Jerry Liechty, Mt. Pleasant, IA; Kent Anderson and David Hummel of Quincy; Jim Leaf, Springfield, IL; and Mike May, Jacksonville, IL.

Food Service: Tim Oitker, Quincy; Don Arnold, Barry, IL; and Mike Wolfmeyer, Palmyra, MO.

Sacristan: Jeff Liesen, Quincy; **Musicians:** Tom Becker, Laddonia, MO and Adam Blaue, Wellsville, MO.

Observing Rector: George Schultz, Jacksonville, IL; **Board Rep:** Mike Grant, Quincy. Rector: Ron Clark, Chatham, IL (Group Reunion & Ultreya, Sunday 12 pm) and Melody Clark, Chatham (A Woman's Perspective, Sunday 1 pm). I am blessed to have these men and my wonderful wife with me on this journey.

Our Buddy Mass will be March 26th, 2017 at 2:00 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church in Quincy. A carry-in dinner will follow in the parish center. Meat, drinks, paper plates, plastic ware and napkins will be provided. Please bring a side dish and/or dessert to complete the meal. We truly appreciate all of your prayers, support and palanca and look forward to seeing you at the Buddy Mass.

To sign up to serve meals on the weekend, please contact Tim Oitker 217-257-6951, Don Arnold 217-779-4330, or Mike Wolfmeyer 573-629-9480.

God Bless you all in advance for all of your prayers and palanca.

Ron Clark and the Team of #325

Candidate Applications

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 #325

Sunday, March 26, 2017 at 2 pm
Blessed Sacrament, Quincy, Ill.
Carry-in dinner following Mass

Women's Cursillo #326

Sunday, April 9, 2017 at 2 pm
St. Thomas Parish, Camp Point, Ill.
Carry in dinner following Mass

ULTREYAS

Tri-State Area Ultreya

Friday, March 3, 2017
Quincy University Chapel, Quincy
Begins with Special Mass at 6:30 pm

Shelby County Ultreya

Saturday, March 4, 2017
Fr. Buhman Center, Shelbina, Mo.
Follows 5 pm Mass

Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 4, 2017
Our Saviour Parish Admin Bldg.
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 4, 2017
Sts Peter and Paul Parish Morris Hall
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

Lincoln County Ultreya

Saturday, March 4, 2017
Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, Mo.
Follows 5 pm Mass

Hannibal Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 4, 2017
Holy Family Church, Hannibal, Mo.
Follows 5:30 pm Mass

Montgomery Co./Martinsburg Ultreya

Saturday, March 4, 2017
Immaculate Conception, Montgomery City
Follows 5 pm Mass

Upcoming Cursillo Dates

Apr. 20-23, 2017 - Donna Campbell, Rectora
June 22-25, 2017 - George Schultz, Rector
July 13-16, 2017 - Maria Carmody, Rectora
Sept. 21-24, 2017 - Mark Wiewel, Rector
Nov. 2-5, 2017 - Mary Zerrer, Rectora

Newsletter Costs

Nine times a year we print and send out over 1700 copies of this newsletter through the mail. Our annual cost for printing and mailing runs close to \$5,000 annually.

If you are currently receiving this newsletter through the mail, please consider receiving your newsletter via e-mail instead. Doing so will help us hold down the cost of this major expense.

If this works for you, all you have to do is send an e-mail to: updateaddress@quincycursillo.com.

Include your current mailing address and tell us you want to change to e-mail. We'll take it from there.

We really appreciate your willingness to help us save these printing and mailing costs.

Lost and Found

Items often get left behind during a Cursillo weekend. We have a lost and found in our Letter Writing Room, just off the front lobby. We are accumulating a lot of items. Please check there if you are missing something or want to drop off something you have found.

Raymond Sievers Benefit

Cursillista Raymond Sievers, of Hardin, Illinois, is battling cancer and is getting ready for a bone marrow transplant. He has multiple myeloma (was diagnosed this past fall). The transplant will take place at St. Louis University. He and his wife Cindy will be staying in or near the hospital for 30 days once cells are put back in his body as his immunity will be compromised. He won't be able to work for approximately 3 months. Raymond is a diversified grain and livestock farmer and family members have been stepping up since the pain started last year to help on the farm where they can.

A benefit to help defray costs that are not covered by insurance will be held on:

Date: Saturday, April 8, 2017

Location: Hardin KC Hall

Time: Doors open 5 pm; Dinner 6 pm;

Menu: Pulled pork, mostaccioli, mashed potatoes, green beans, slaw, dessert

Other: Silent and live auction; Raffle; 50/50; Cash bar

Donations: If you are not able to attend but would like to make a donation, please mail to Maria Carmody at RR 2, Box 88A, Hardin, IL 62047

Donating to Quincy Cursillo

Quincy Cursillo relies on the generosity of the Cursillo Community to help finance needed repairs, pay for updates to the Franciscan Retreat Center and generally enhance the Cursillo experience for the candidates.

The fees collected from the team and candidates for each weekend goes toward room/board, meals and miscellaneous supplies. Any other expenses that Quincy Cursillo incurs has to be paid for through donations.

If you are not able to attend the Cursillo events and miss the opportunity to contribute, you can still donate by sending payment to:

Quincy Cursillo

P.O. Box 3153

Quincy, IL 62305-3153.

Donations are also accepted through our website: quincycursillo.com through PayPal.

Quincy Cursillo is a registered 501c3 so any contributions are tax-deductible. We are grateful for the support received from you, the Quincy Cursillo Community, as you continue to live out the words printed on the back of your Cursillo cross: "Christ is Counting on You!"

Cursillo #324



Front row, left to right: Carrie Alexander, Linda Keller, Cris Berry, Karen Crabtree, Mary Jo Seiz, Janey Menne, Mary Jane Davis, Mary Dodd. **Second row:** Elaine Bugos, Connie Vermeire, Karen Meehan, Naomi Egbert, Teresa Robinson, Joan Brown, Fr. Chuck Edwards. **Third row:** Emily Wellman, Susie Mensman, Valerie Delaney, Mary Jo Luitjohan, Donna Duncan, Mary Ann Freise, Jade Kallal, Cindy Lonati, Michele Wasser, Sandy Warner-Jenkins, Agnes Mowen, Vonnie Goben, Siobhan Wilkinson, Delaney Dodson. **Fourth row:** Lynda Tite, Barbara Rakers, Mary Jo Varel, Lexi Brown, Gina Niebrugge, Rita Vogelpohl, Brenda Siebers, Mallori Edwards, Gail Grawe, Luann Ham, Brittany Dever, Betty Brannan, Dawn Autry, Susan Fohey, Morgan Weller. **Fifth row:** Jenni Keeven, Cindy Wellman, Denise Trickey, Sella Roman, Barb Dugger, Christie Joehl, Anne Peterson, Denice Edwards, Chris Schumacher, Bridget Hanieger, Jody Fisher, Becky Bruewer, Ruth Droste, Beth Burrus, Ciara Robinson, Davette Cheney, Becky Hutchinson, Janet Davenport. **Sixth row:** Teresa Bennett, Janet Marquette, Brenda Sue Miles, Donna Campbell, Paula Rehkemper, Tera Pohlman, Traci Hillen, Katie Brannan, Julie Davenport, Sara Venvertloh, Kylie Crabtree, Maria Cox, Laurie Frank, Nikki Keller, Bonnie Hakenewerth, Gayla Reynolds, Brenda McKinley, Susan Beauchamp.

Lay Director's Message

1 Thessalonians 5:11 "Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, as indeed you do."

I see you living this scripture, thank you. So many do so much each Cursillo weekend. Praying, Palanca, Service. You know what you do and God knows too. May He Bless all that you do!

I am asking for you to pray with me for all the Cursillistas who are ill. Also for those that God is calling to be Rectors and Rectoras for 2018.

There seems to be some miscommunication going around about Sponsors Hour. ALL ARE WELCOME to come to Sponsors Hour and the gathering preceding it. We have a large group of people in the cafeteria before Sponsors Hour and we have eliminated some of the table to better accommodate the people. This gives us more space for people to move around to visit and introduce themselves to the candidates. The Board discussed several options but NEVER was it our intent to limit who comes to the gathering or the Sponsors Hour. We just wanted to better accommodate them. ALL ARE WELCOME.

The third-floor lounge has a new sink and cabinets, along with a refrigerator and microwave. We used Memorial money for the sink and cabinets and the refrigerator and microwave were donated. Thank you to ALL who made that possible.

We are now in Lent. What is Christ Counting on You to do this Lent? Encourage One Another. Build One Another Up.

I pray Gods Blessings on all our Cursillo Family.

Love and Prayers,

Billie Huebotter, Lay Director

Thank You Note From Cursillo #323

It is absolutely amazing how a group of ordinary men can individually and collectively perform in an extraordinary way. It just proves that when we humble ourselves before God, He sends the Holy Spirit for nurturance, guidance and assistance with the heavy lifting.

I can't truly express my gratitude and appreciation for the the team that came together under God's oversight. The dynamics that occurred during the weekend proved that the strength in Christian values is best expressed through flexibility and not rigidity. We experienced some unforeseen challenges during the weekend; however, no matter what happened or what demands were made, the team members stepped up and took care of things in a seamless manner.

Speaking for the team, we would like to thank the candidates for their trust in us and the Cursillo process. They truly opened their minds and hearts to the Cursillo experience. Also, we would like to thank the families of the team and candidates for their support, love and prayers allowing us to suspend our regular obligations in exchange for this spiritual journey. The sacrifice was yours and we are deeply appreciative.

Lastly, the team and the 46 new Cursillistas would like to thank everyone for their time, prayers, letters, service, palanca and phone calls. The team and candidates are just the tip of the iceberg; all the work, support and love occurs by the Cursillo community lifting us up.

New Cursillistas: you've had a sampling of God's love. Nurture it, grow it, and share it with others. You can't keep it unless you give it away.

Peace and all good,

Eric Schultz, Rector Cursillo #323

Canceled your landline or moved?

To help us keep our electronic database of team applications up-to-date, a "change of information" form is available on our website - quincycursillo.com. Use this form to let us know when you change phone numbers, mailing address, etc. When this form is submitted, the information will be updated in the team application database, as well as in the newsletter database.

If you want to be called to serve on a team or to continue receiving the newsletter, you need to keep your information up-to-date.

If you want to check to see if your information is correct on your team application, contact the application committee, Dennis & Connie Hoyt, at 217-224-2322 or email: choyt@comcast.net.

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Next Board Meeting
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Fourth Day Renewal

When: March 10-11, 2017
Time: 7 pm Fri. to 7 pm Sat.
Where: Retreat Center-Quincy
Cost: \$45
Director: Cindy Stephens

Fourth Day Renewal is a 24-hour experience of personal growth for those who have previously made a Cursillo weekend and are wanting to renew and develop their spirituality. It's also a way to meet new friends in our Cursillo community

This relaxed, co-ed environment is ideal for both singles and for couples. It picks right up where Sunday evening of the Cursillo weekend left off.

Download an application to mail or register online at quincycursillo.com under the Applications tab.

If you have questions about the Fourth Day Renewal, call the Steering Committee Marie Korte 573-324-8300 or Katie Korte 573-470-3612.

Registration cutoff is March 5th.

"Gift of Cursillo" Scholarship

The "Gift of Cursillo" is a scholarship fund that assists candidates and team to offset the fees of a Cursillo weekend. The "gift" amount is \$75 and is available to both candidates and team.

A candidate or sponsor can request this "gift" by writing on the application that they need financial assistance or email the application committee at quincycursillonfp@gmail.com. A team member requesting the scholarship should speak with the Board Rep for that weekend.

Group Reunions

It has been said that the reason one makes a Cursillo is to form Group Reunions. Group reunions are extremely important to continue the spirit of fellowship found on the Cursillo weekend. If you are not in a group reunion, take the initiative to ask at least one other person if they would like to meet. It only takes two to start and then add to your group. Invite new Cursillistas to join as they come home from their weekend. Start with the Group Reunion Service Sheet that was given to you on your weekend.

Cursillo Policy Reminders

1. **Cursillo is for "Adults Only." Children are not to attend any of the Cursillo weekend functions. They are welcome at the Buddy Mass.**
2. **No pictures or video are allowed at any time during a Cursillo weekend or at team meetings.**
3. Wear your crosses and/or name tags when coming to events during Cursillo weekends. With other people using the Retreat Center it helps to know the right people are in the right places.
4. Serving meals - contact the Food Service Team prior to the weekend to sign up for serving meals. Spouses, sponsors and immediate family of anyone on the weekend may not serve that weekend. Avoid mingling with the team and candidates as this is time for them to have fellowship with each other. Any entertainment at meals is to be done by the team only. Meal times are listed on the website.
5. Palanca chapel - Sponsors and prayer buddies should spend an hour in the palanca chapel. Please sign the palanca chart and write palanca letters to let your candidate or team member know you are supporting them in prayer.