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Cursillo #203 - January 9-12, 2003

Theme: "Here I Am Lord"

Rector: Pat Tracy

Dear Cursillo Family,

I am so amazed at the strength of prayer! Our God and Father is an Awesome God! I am so pleased with the team He has given me. I truly am grateful to all of them for saying, "Yes, Lord, I can do this." He has blessed us in many ways. I ask for your continued prayers, not only for this awesome team, but prayers for the candidates to come and be open to the love and understanding Jesus has for them. Our meetings are coming along great! We continue to grow together and bond as we prepare for the January weekend.

Our theme for the weekend is "Here I am Lord!!!" and the Scripture is Matthew 25:35: When I was hungry, you gave me something to eat, when I was thirsty..... Our song is "Be Not Afraid."

This is His team for Cursillo #203. Please continue your prayers for us. **Spiritual Director:** Fr. Tom Henseler, Mt. Sterling, IL (Sacraments, Sat. 10 a.m.).

Assistant Spiritual Directors: Fr. Chuck Edwards, Springfield, IL (Holy Spirit - Divine Aid, Friday 3:30 p.m.); Deacon Bill Gray, Hamilton, IL (Christian Life, Sunday 10 a.m.); Fr. George Kramer (Obstacles to a Life of Grace, Saturday 4:15 p.m.); and Fr. Don Knuffman, Quincy, IL (Grace, Friday 11:15 a.m.).

Assistant Lay Directors: Carl Varadin, Hannibal, MO (Action, Saturday 3 p.m.); Bill Couch, Stoutsville, MO (Leaders, Saturday 7 p.m.); and Mike Sheehan, Jacksonville, IL (Ideals, Friday 10 a.m.).

Sacristan: Joe Geisler, Mt. Sterling, IL. **Board Representative:** Rob Rucker, Eolia, MO.

Rollistas: Don Beeley, Jacksonville, IL (Piety, Friday 7 p.m.); Jeff Kassing, Versailles, IL (Layman/Laywoman in the Church, 1:30 p.m. Friday); Roger Busen, Timewell, IL (Christian Community in Action, Sunday 11:30 a.m.); Steve Bunch,

Quincy, IL (Study, Saturday 9 a.m.); Matt Lorton, Harding, IL (Environment, Sunday 9 a.m.); and Kathleen Koch, Mt. Sterling, IL (A Woman Speaks Her Mind, Sunday 3:00 PM).

Auxillaries: Jack Freiburg II, Greg Wittland, Chris Wegs, and Bill Metzinger, Quincy, IL; Ramon Hernandez, Rushville, IL; Greg Voreis, Mt. Sterling, IL; Jerry Gunn, Camp Point, IL, Craig Hiatt, Timewell, IL; and Tom Benz, Kane, IL.

Musician: Jim Heaton, Mt. Sterling, IL. **Service Team:** Glen Koch, Ronnie Koch, Ed Goett, and Chuck Lajoski, Mt. Sterling, IL. **Food Service Team:** John Baumgartner, Plainville, IL; and Jay Grawe, Quincy, IL. **Observer:** Tom Deters, Quincy, IL. **Rector:** Pat Tracy, Mt. Sterling, IL (Group Reunion & Ultreya Sunday 12:25 p.m.).

Our Buddy Mass will be on Sunday, January 5th at 2:00 PM at Holy Family Church in Mt. Sterling, IL. A carry in meal will follow at the K of C Hall with drinks and table service provided. Please join us!

We look forward to serving our God and Father and would like to thank each and every one of you for the prayers, palanca, and support you have given us this far. Thank you and God bless you all!

Your Brother in Christ,
Pat Tracy & Team #203

SERVE MEALS

To volunteer to serve meals for Cursillo #203 please call John Baumgartner 217-656-4532 or Jay Grawe 217-224-3529

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Men's Cursillo #203
January 5, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.
Holy Family Church
Mt. Sterling, IL
Carry-in dinner to follow at KC Hall

Women's Cursillo #204
Feb. 2, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.
St. Bridid Church, Liberty, IL
(Hwy 104 12 mi. E. of Quincy)
Carry-in to follow in hall behind church

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #203

Jan. 9th (Thursday)
7:00 p.m. Registration
8:30 p.m. Sponsors Hour

Jan. 11th (Saturday)
8:00 p.m.
Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

Jan. 12th (Sunday)
5:00 p.m. Closing

ULTREYAS

January 3
7:00 p.m. St. Brigid, Liberty, IL
Call 217-593-7132
Brent & Jenni Obert for info

Wed. January 8
Hannibal/Palmyra Area
7:00 p.m.
Mass and planning meeting for 2003
St. Joseph Church, Palmyra, MO

January 18
Pike & Lincoln County Ultreya
Sacred Heart Church, Troy, MO
Ultreya after 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass
Call Stan Pollman 636-462-5550 for info

4th DAY RENEWAL

January 24-25, 2003
For information call 217-224-3898
Dennis and Pat Holbrook

#200 Celebration Thank You

Cursillo Family,

Just a short note of appreciation to all those members of the Cursillo Family that helped make the 200th Celebration such a success. A special thank you to Rev. Roy Bauer for the use of the St. Peter Parish facilities and to Fr. Tom, Fr. George, Fr. Jim, Fr. Adrian, Fr. Ray and Deacon Bill for their celebration of Mass. Thanks to Jay Grawe, Mayor Scholz and Bob Schepers for their words of encouragement.

And finally, a very blessed thank you to the 14 committee members that did such an outstanding job. May the good Lord bless you and keep you all the days of your lives.

God Bless,
Cindy and Jeff Steinkamp

4th Day Renewal Weekend January 24-25th

Another 4th Day Renewal weekend is coming up January 24-25th. This 24-hour experience is designed for those who have previously made a Cursillo weekend and are wanting to renew and develop their spirituality and their commitment to living the Christian life.

The 24-hour experience starts on Friday evening at 7 p.m. and ends Saturday evening at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$35.00 and is held at the Quincy University Retreat Center. A \$10.00 deposit should be sent in with the application.

An application is included on the back page of this newsletter. Applications are also available on the Quincy Cursillo website at www.quincycursillo.com

THANK YOU FROM CURSILLO 201

It's very difficult to put into words how thankful I am for the Love of the Cursillo Community that I feel at this time. The prayers and fasting that brought our Spiritual Director and 26 great men to our three days is living proof of God's Love for all of us, the Love of the Cursillo community, and the power of prayer. God chose a loving, hard working, and faith filled team to serve Him. Their love of Him was evident to the candidates, and His Spirit touched those men.

There are so many to thank, please know that all who played a part have a special place in my heart, as each of you were Jesus to all of us, and are the fuel that makes Cursillo work. It is truly humbling to watch and be a part of God's love being given to others. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Saviour later this month, we can all thank Him for our blessings.

As I thank God for my blessings this year, each of you are a part of those blessings.

De Colores,
John Bordenkircher, Rector #201

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Cursillo #202



Front row, left to right: Kathy Vanek, Mignon Chismarich, Patty Marshall, Judy Taylor, Katie Korte, Fr. George Kramer, Sheila Smith, Vicky Mitchell, Sr. Carol Kopff, Sr. Mary Fran Flynn. **Second row:** Faye Kuhlman, Nancy Boone, Jana Casper, Barb Mitchell, Debbie Beard, Carole Klima, Theresa Lott, Sharon Zehnle, Rosie Stiern, Laura Keeteman, Edna Church, Marilyn Miles. **Third row:** Mary Dodd, Peri Cole, Carol Johnson, Rebecca Fischer, Bonnie Sheppard, Tina Durcan, Nanna O'Donnell, Evelyn Tooley, Marie Baker, Joan Brown, Pat Finnell, Wendy Casagrande. **Fourth row:** Mary Lenane, Rose Hanke, Ellie Couch, Judy Munger, Jowana Campos, Diane Powers, Kathleen Citro, Kim McKenzie, Debby Craig, Charlotte Buckman, Mary J. Zener, Donna Gail. **Fifth row:** Shannon Flanagan, Mary Kempf, Doris Knuffman, Cris Brannan, Lynn Fedler, Colleen Koch, Kelly Doellman, Judy Gross, Debbie Stevens, Annalee Beckman, Lois Roth.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR LAY DIRECTOR

Dear Cursillo Family –

The 200th Celebration was an experience that words can hardly describe. The entire day was filled with so much of “Jesus” and when I stepped to the altar to say a few words, I have never felt the presence of Jesus so much in the eyes of all of you who were there as I did that afternoon. Knowing that we were there to give honor, and glory, and praise to Jesus and to pay tribute to all of the past 200 Cursillos and the people who made them possible was awesome. And what an honor to have Bob Schepers there to help in the celebration. Where would Cursillo be today had it not been for him and the willingness of the entire 1st Cursillo to share their love for Jesus right here in Quincy, IL. How many lives have been touched and wounded souls healed because of the difference Cursillo can make in ones life.

The celebration was a success because Jeff and Cindy Steinkamp cared enough to cover every detail, and then to double check and cover it again. They had a team of volunteer Cursillistas to handle everything imaginable. The crew did a fantastic job, and all of the hard work and dedication is more than appreciated. Thank you, thank you, thank you to each and every one of you. You all did a fantastic job for the Lord.

As the year is drawing near to the majic of Christmas and the birth of the Baby Jesus, I would like to take this opportunity to wish each of you a holy season of joy, thankfulness, and love. Take the time to spend time with those you love the most, take the time to slow down and reflect on how much you are loved, take the time to do all that you can to spread your love for Jesus by loving your neighbor.

This year’s end will complete my first year as your Lay Director. Thank you for the honor and privilege it has been for me. You have made this responsibility so much easier than I first imagined. Thank you for helping me to make what we do as a family a wonderful way for me to serve the Lord.

On behalf of both Nan and I, we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with happiness and love. We both wish you Jesus, because when we wish you Jesus – we’ve wished you everything!!
DeColores and WAHOO!
Jay Grawe

December 3rd, 2002 Morning Meditations

Our parish priest, Father Reynolds, is a teacher at heart. At the beginning of Mass, he likes to say things to make us perk up and help us listen closely to the readings. The first Sunday of Advent, he told us there was one word in the Gospel that would tell us what Jesus wants us to do this Advent. Mark 13:33-37 starts out, “Jesus said to his disciples, “Be watchful!” It goes on to say, “Watch, for you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming. Watch!”

I’ve been pondering what that means for me. I like to watch people, animals, nature and some TV. Is that what Jesus was talking about? What happens when we “watch”?

Yesterday at the funeral of my friend’s father, I “watched”. I saw a family letting go. I saw a family pulled together by the tie that binds. I saw healing. I saw great love.

Next I took a brightly wrapped Christmas present to the home of my friend Momma Helen. I watched her delight. She didn’t want to open it, but to look at it the rest of the time till Christmas, since it was so pretty with ribbons and angel paper. In her, I have watched many things and have learned many things. What I see is love in action. Watching helps me put those good things I see into my pocket to use in my life.

Those small incidents; what do they mean to me? They mean that I can see Jesus when I “watch”, see him in the people and circumstances of the day. Today, if we all watch, I think we’ll look into his eyes. He is everywhere. “The Lord of the house”, He is here!

Father Reynolds is my teacher, friend and priest. He’s like E.F. Hutton; we all sit up and listen when he speaks the Word. This Advent, the word is WATCH!

Hugs and Kisses...Mary Jane Davis

CURSILLO DATES

#203 January 9 - 12, 2003

Pat Tracy

#204 February 6 - 9, 2003

Mary Dodd

#205 March 6 - 9, 2003

Tom Deters

#206 April 3 - 7, 2003

Nan Grawe

Applications are available at:
www.quincycursillo.com

FOURTH DAY RENEWAL

January 24 - 25, 2003

Pat Beckman, Director

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

Applications are available at:
www.quincycursillo.com

GREAT RIVER TEC

TEC #214 January 18-20, 2003

David Cawthon

TEC #215 March 1-3, 2003

For information call
Doug Many 217-224-8416

Applications are available at:
www.greatrivertec.org

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#22 February 21-22, 2002

For information call
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217-224-5615

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For information call: 1-888-889-9963



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Fax applications to same number
Mail signed original

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Quincy, IL 62301
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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
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CURSILLO ACCOMMODATIONS

If you would like to stay overnight
in Quincy on Cursillo weekends
at no charge, please call:
Leanne Schell, 217-222-6690

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**4th Day Renewal
Jan. 24-25, 2003**

7:00 p.m. Fri. - 7:30 p.m. Sat.
at Q.U. Retreat Center
\$35/\$10 Deposit
Payable to Quincy Cursillo
Send application and deposit to:
Dennis & Pat Holbrook,
Reservation Coordinators
4025 Holiday, Quincy, IL 62301
217-224-3898
or call Vernon & Katie Korte
573-324-3611

**Fourth Day Renewal Weekend
Request for Reservation**

Application Date _____

Name _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Male: _____ Female: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: Month _____ Day: _____

Marital Status: Single _____ Married _____ Separated _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____ No. of Children _____

Church: _____ Denomination: _____

Are you on a special diet? _____ If so, what? _____

Please check: Deaf _____ Hearing Impaired _____

Do you have a health problem or physical disability that might affect your attendance at the Fourth Day Renewal weekend? _____ If so, please specify: _____

Cursillo number made: _____ Are you in a Group Reunion? _____ Do you attend Ultreya's? _____

Are you willing to make a Fourth Day Renewal weekend on short notice due to a cancellation? _____

If yes, how much time would you need? _____

State briefly why you wish to make a Fourth Day Renewal weekend and what you expect to gain from it.

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