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Cursillo #195 - March 7-10, 2002

Rector: Jerry Eberhardt

Theme Song: "Shout To The Lord"

Dear Cursillo Family,

We have taken our first steps to Cursillo 195. We have had three meetings and things are looking great. Cursillo 195 has been blessed with a great group of men to serve each other and God. Our Scripture that we are focusing on is Romans 5:8, "But God has shown us how much He loves us; it was while we were still sinners that Christ died for us!" Our song is "Shout To The Lord."

Please pray for each of the team who will spend March 7 - 10th on Cursillo 195. They are:

Rector: Jerry Eberhardt, Quincy, IL (Group Reunion & Ultreyas, 12:25 p.m. Sun.)

Spiritual Director: Fr. Chuck Edwards, Liberty, IL (Holy Spirit-Divine Aid, 3:30 p.m. Fri. and Christian Life, 10 a.m. Sun.)

Assistant Spiritual Directors: Fr. Austin Albers, Teutopolis, IL (Grace, 11:30 a.m. Fri.); Fr. Don Knuffman, Quincy, IL (Sacraments, 10 a.m. Sat.); Fr. James Wheeler, Quincy, IL (Obstacles to Grace, 4:15 p.m. Sat.).

Assistant Rectors: Mike Grant (Piety, 7 p.m. Fri.) and Ed Holthaus (Study, 9 a.m. Sat.) Quincy, IL; Matt Harmon, White Hall, IL (Christian Community in Action, 11:30 a.m. Sun.).

Rollistas: Bill Blankenship, Hannibal, MO (Environment, 9 a.m. Sun.); Dennis Boudreau, (Ideals, 10:15 a.m. Fri.) and Dave Waterkotte (Action, 3 p.m. Sat.) Quincy, IL; Scott Fischer, Gillespie, IL (Leaders, 7 p.m. Sat); Fred Rauch, St. Louis, MO (Laitry in the Church, 1:55 p.m. Fri.); Anita Eberhardt, Quincy, IL (A Woman Speaks Her Mind).

Auxiliaries: Lynn Gallagher, Ray Genenbacher, Tom Holck, Joe Haubrich, David Hummel, Gerald Rolves, Quincy, IL; Gregg Golemo, Hamilton, IL; George Metcalf, Jacksonville, IL; and Ronald Portwood, Chapin, IL.

Sacristan: Steve Cole, Quincy, IL;
Musician: Ray Wheeler, Quincy, IL;
Board Representative: Jim Nevins, Jacksonville, IL; **Observing Rector:** Jim Erickson, Bowling Green, MO.

Food Service: Lawson Faler and Karl Holtmeyer, Quincy, IL; Mike Long, Monroe City, MO. **Service Team:** Joe Hedley, Florissant, MO; Jim Deters, George Klingele, Stan Schwartz, and Jeff Steinkamp, Quincy, IL.

Our whole Cursillo family is part of Cursillo 195 and we want you to know we would not want to try it without you and your support. Thank you for loving us and God enough to give your time, love and prayers to lift Cursillo 195 to its highest. May God bless us with the humility it takes to do His work.

Peace and joy in Jesus,
Jerry Eberhardt

SERVE MEALS

To volunteer to serve meals for **Cursillo #195** please call Lawson Falor 217-223-7823 or Mike Long 573-735-2803

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Men's Cursillo #195

March 3, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.
St. Bridget Catholic Church
Liberty, IL
Carry-in to follow

Women's Cursillo #196

April 14, 2002 at 1:00 p.m.
Holy Family Church
Hannibal, MO
Carry-in to follow in Church cafeteria

MEN'S CURSILLO #195

March 7 (Thursday)
7:00 p.m. Registration
8:30 p.m. Sponsors Hour

March 9 (Saturday)
8:00 p.m.
Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

March 10 (Sunday)
5:00 p.m. Closing

ULTREYAS

March 2

St. Francis Church
Quincy, IL
Ultreya after 5:15 Saturday Service
Call 573-221-5404 Syl Riney for info

March 16

Lincoln County Ultreya
Sacred Heart Church
Troy, MO
Ultreya after 5:00 Saturday Service
Call 636-462-5550 Stan Pollman for info

Thank you from Cursillo #193

Thanks to all of you from the team and new cursillistas of Cursillo #193. So many of you were there for us, to server us and pray for us, throughout the weekend and especially Saturday night. Because of the prayer and palance of this awesome Christian Community, we were able to live in the light of the Lord for three days. We felt your love and your prayers, and we felt **His** love, because of you.

Thanks for allowing God to use you, and may He bless you all for what you've done for us.

We especially want to recognize all those who work so hard on the committees that prepre for every Cursillo and clean up after the weekend is over. All this would not be possible without you.

De Colores
Cursillo #193
Bob Rucker, Rector

Post Cursillo Notes

Apostolic Hour

The Apostolic hour on Saturday night begins with Mass at 8:00 p.m. After Mass, anyone who has not made a Cursillo or Walk to Emmaus is asked to leave.

It is important that you leave the Chapel and building on Saturday evening as quietly and quickly as possible so as not to disturb this special time for the Candidates.

Cursillo Closing

The Cursillo closing begins at 5:00 p.m.on Sunday. After the Candidates and Team leave the Chapel, the remaining Cursillo family is asked to take a seat while directions for clean-up are given. Chairs need to be taken to the alcoves for storage. The song books are to be carried out and put in the book racks. All items on the alter also need to be removed and put in storage. Assistance with these housekeeping duties is a part of our service and palanca for the weekend.

Note: Weekend activities are for adults only.

Cursillo #194



Row one, left to right: Mary Markert, Sheryl Geisler, Kathy Vessell, Amy Koch, Terri May, Mary Jane Davis, Fr. Tom Henseler, Sr. Jane Boos, SSND, Bill Gray, Jan Faler, Kendall Bowen, Mary Peterson. **Row two:** Arlene Veit, Krysh Henke, Mary Myers, Nan Grawe, Delana Becker, Ginny Andrews, Genny Huls, Lisa Klopfer, Chris Endebrock, Julie Gunn, Sandy Quinn, Sandy Vicari, Amy Knight, Rosie Camille, Marlyn Schmidt, Becky Hill. **Row three:** Nancy Long, Sue Hall, Brenda Wessel, Katie Scholl, Kristen Fischer, Gay Gunn, Angie Broyles, Mary Cucar, Becky Goodwin, Rita Carper, Leslie Whitfield, Panny Nauert, Naomi Egbert, Elaine Bugos, Christine Schaller. **Row four:** Pam Kelch, Shelley Nacke, Janey Menne, Karen Crabtree, Debra Rice, Reta Tillitt, Joan Broyles, Rose Marie Beeley, Rose Mary Howell, Judy Jones, Loretta Musholt, Patti Harke, Kollette Shade, Marie Little, Emy Hilgenbrinck. **Row five:** Julie Barber, JoAnn Hausmann, Nell Edinger, Teresa Bennett, Marlene Suttles, Amy Jones, Krista Ridder, Cheryl Elliott, Christine McCormich, Gobi Welper, Deb Oberbroeckling, Linda Bush, Camilla Golemo, Claudia Coggeshall, Kathy Mixer.

Meet the Assistant Lay Director



My name is Paul Soebbing. I made Cursillo #19 and was Rector of Cursillo #61. I have been a member of St. Dominic Parish in Quincy for the past 21 years. My ministries in the parish include RCIA team member, Eucharistic Minister for the sick and the shut-ins, and music ministry at the 8 a.m. Sunday Mass.

My wife, Cindi, and I have been married for 30 years. We have four children: Rome 26, James 24, Carrie 19, and Aaron 18. We have one grandchild, Gaven, age 1.

I have worked for the State of Illinois for the past 31 years (18 years at Illinois Veterans Home and 13 years at Western Illinois Correctional Center). On March 29, 2002 I will retire from the State. I have also been involved with the Boy Scouts for the last 20 years. My present title is Assistant District Commissioner for Fox District.

I am looking forward to working with Jay and the Cursillo Board. I know the spirit will be with all of us.

DeColores
Paul

Mary Jane's Journal

December 29th 2001 5:10am

I've a dear friend, Helen, with whom I correspond regularly. How I cherish her writings that deeply encourage me, much like the letters of the Apostles must have, written to the people of Galatia, Philippi and Corinth. It occurred to me as I read Helen's last letter, that the Lord continues to speak to us through one another. With the Word written in our hearts, we are all walking Letters.

This morning's reading from Luke 2:22-35 is a favorite. It tells of Simeon whose faith listened closely to the Spirit who took him to the temple the day Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to be presented to God. Scripture tells us that daily, Simeon lived and walked a close life with his Lord. It was through this consistent encounter that he could hear the whisper of the Holy Spirit telling him that here was the long awaited Messiah. Simeon must have presented *himself* to the Lord each morning in order to have such a close relationship. Sounds so simple. Could it really be?

I am reminded of 6-year-old grandson Seth who will persistently work to gain my attention when he wants it. I can become so busy with "things" that I just half listen to this inquisitive and opinionated boy whom I can learn from and has much to tell me.

I think these examples are a key to learning to listen to the Spirit. We need to "present" ourselves to Jesus everyday, making ourselves available. The wisdom and knowledge of God are so often enfolded in things, encrypted in the everyday sighing and whisperings of our lives. It is not a secret code, just one that needs our attention and awareness that indeed, this loving God who came to be one of us *does* want to communicate with us intimately. Rather amazing, but I believe, so very true.

Through God, all of his people are connected! The sharing is so important; the communicating to others what God is doing for us or teaching us, whether through painful experiences or blessings. Cursillo helps us do this in the form of Group Reunion. Being involved with one another in such a way can help us each be "walking letters".

I shall close for today. It will be a busy day. God help me to slow down in my heart so I can walk with him and not run circles around him!

Hugs and Kisses
Mary Jane Davis

CURSILLO DATES

#195 March 7-10, 2002

Jerry Eberhardt

#195 April 18-21, 2002

Kathy Vessel

#196 June 13-16, 2002

Jim Erickson

#197 July 11-14, 2002

Alice Shirey

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FOURTH DAY RENEWAL

September TBA, 2002

For information call:
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TEC #208 March 2-4, 2002

Joe & Sheryl Geisler

TEC #209 April 13-15, 2002

Bert Shackleton

TEC #210 June 22-24, 2002

TEC #211 July 27-29, 2002

For information call
Doug Many 217-224-8416

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#18 February 22-23, 2002

#19 April 26-27, 2002

For information call
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217-224-5615

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For information call: 1-888-889-9963

DISCOVERING AND CELEBRATING

I was just reading the paper, minding my own business, sitting in the lobby of the YMCA waiting for my son while he worked out in the weight room. The door swooshed open and close, little snippets of conversation buzzed in the background, phrases surfaced occasionally as I scanned the newspaper. Now and then I'd glance up and see a familiar face, most not looking my way. I was content being an observer as life streamed by.

Then there was a lull in the noise level and a quiet descended like a soft blanket. I noticed a threesome in a huddle, off to the side, out of the line of traffic. I resumed my reading figuring they were discussing the volleyball game, or exercise program before going their separate ways. I heard the rhythm of talking. And then it registered that it was the rhythm of "praying" that I was hearing.

Soon they finished. I looked up and caught the eye of one the women as she hugged one of her companions. To be honest I really wanted to get up and hug them too, but it was their moment. Still I wanted to recognize the specialness of seeing them grouped together in prayer, so I just smiled and quietly said, "Amen."

In a few moments I had been transformed from an observer to a participant when my heart had been touched by these women. Touched by their faith, taking whatever their need was to God, caring for each other, being church in sweats and sneakers, right where life was happening. I will never know what the "story" was. Even being a voracious lover of stories, this does not bother me, because I have found that the real satisfaction for me was not knowing the need but seeing the response to it.

I read a wonderful little book by Philip Gulley called *Home to Harmony*. In it the pastor, Sam Gardner, relates the time the women of the church made a beautiful quilt to auction off and hung it in the meeting house for all to see. One morning the sun streamed in through the window lighting up the quilt and someone saw the face of Jesus there. When word got out, people from all over lined up to see the quilt. Eventually, one of the ladies confessed to the pastor that she had accidentally spilled coffee on it and apparently didn't get it all out. It wasn't Jesus; it was Maxwell House!

The pastor admits a small part of him really wished it had been Him, but then he goes on to say, "But in my more thoughtful moments, I'm glad it wasn't Jesus. It troubled me that folks would drive three hundred miles to see Christ in a quilt, but wouldn't walk next door to see Him in their neighbor. I don't think we ought to look for Christ in a quilt. I think we ought to look for Christ in the poor, in the common, in the lady who rings up our groceries, in the man who mops the grocery floor, in the kid who delivers our pizza."

I saw Jesus that day at the YMCA in a circle of sweatshirt clad women, being there for each other. And I know He is there in many parts of my life - some I see and some I am blind to. If I become a participant and let Him touch my heart, making it sensitive to His spirit, He will appear to me in many forms, in many ways, at any time. It makes life exciting, never knowing where He will manifest Himself, keeping me on my toes and alert to His grace and blessings in my day.

Lots of Love,
Terri May

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Prayer written by Fr. Mychal OFM

9/11/01

NYFD chaplain who died at the
World Trade Towers

Lord, take me where you want me to go;
Let me meet who you want me to meet;
Tell me what you want me to say,
And keep me out of your way.



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