



Cursillo #252: February 21- 24, 2008

Rectora: Theresa Edwards

Theme: "Thy Will Be Done"

Dear Family in Christ,

Thank you all for saying yes to God for being on this weekend with us. God has asked each of you to do His will by praying at home and by filling up the palanca chapel hours, making sacrifices, doing palanca, sending us candidates, serving the meals, being there Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday nights to encourage, support, and allow us to be filled up to do his will for the candidates. Each of you know what God has asked you to do for the weekend to make it a prayerful and powerful weekend.

Thirty-six of us have trusted God and believe "His will, Not ours will be done" on this weekend. We are trusting in His power for the miracles, healings, and in the awareness of how He trusts us to do His will.

Our scripture for our weekend is Matthew 26:39 "He went forward a little, and fell face downward on the ground, and prayed, My Father! If it is possible, let this cup be taken away from me. But I want your will, not mine." The theme is from wanting to do God's will in my life. Some times we want the suffering and pain to be taken away from us but if we continue on with God's will for us then our life will be won by His victory. Our song is This Alone. "The only thing I want is to dwell in the house of the Lord all my days." If we are in God's presence and our focus is on Him then we are in His dwelling.

The team God chose is: **Spiritual Director:** Fr. George Kramer, Bonnots Mill, Mo (Sacraments, Sat. 10:00 am). **Asst. Spiritual Directors:** Rosie Liesen, Quincy (Grace, Friday 11:15 am); Fr. Kurt Hartrich, Quincy (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday 3:00 pm); Sue Bays, Quincy (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4:15 pm); Fr. James Wheeler, Quincy (Christian Life, Sunday 10:00 am).

Asst. Rectoras: Nancy Weede, Quincy (C.C.I.A. Sun. 11:30 am); Carol Blentlinger, Mt. Sterling, IL (Leaders, Sat. 7:00 pm); Joan Broyles, Troy, MO (Laity, Fri. 1:30 pm).

Rollistas: Cheri Greving, Quincy (Ideals, Fri. 10:00 am); Sue Sculley, New London, MO (Piety, Fri. 6:45 pm); Wendy McDonald, Quincy (Study, Sat. 9:00 am); Debi Barlow, Kirksville, MO (Action, Sat. 3:00 pm); Kathy Himmel, Moscow Mills, MO (Environment, Sun. 9:00 am).

Auxiliaries: Susan Maggart, Teri Fessler, and Holly Vanderbol of Quincy, Sarah Genenbacher, Fowler, IL; Debra Meservey, Mt. Sterling, IL; Mary Prazada, Springfield, IL; Tori Greving, Palmyra, Mo; Pat Cook, Hannibal, MO; and Nancy Blaue, Wellsville, MO.

Service Team: Heather Friday, Cobi Welper, Maggie Dixon, and Kathy Citro all of Quincy; and Denise Sangoi, Olathe, KS.

Food Service: Cindy Soebbing and Mary Brahler, Quincy. **Sacristian:** Emy Hilgenbrinck, Quincy. **Musicians:** Donna Vogel, and Sharon Zehnle of Quincy, and Sally Kroner of Payson, IL.

Board Rep: Renae Jansen, Quincy; **Observing Rectora:** Elaine Gray, Hamilton, IL. **Rectora:** Theresa Edwards, Quincy (Group Reunion/Ultreya, Sunday 12:30 pm).

Please join us at St. Francis Church, 1721 College, Quincy IL, Sunday, February 17, 2008 at 2:00 pm for our Buddy Mass and carry-in dinner to follow in the school across the street. Help us celebrate what God has and will do. To do God's will by serving meals please call: Cindy Soebbing (217) 223-9505 or Mary Brahler (217) 223-2177

In Christ' Love and Will,
Theresa Edwards, Rectora #252

Meal Servers for Cursillo #252

Men - if you would like to help serve meals for the February Women's Cursillo, please call the Food Service Team to sign up.

Call Cindy Soebbing 217-223-9595 or Mary Brahler 217-223-2177

Please remember that sponsors, spouses, siblings, parents, and children of candidates and team are asked NOT to serve. We all want participants to process the weekend without being reminded of "outside" concerns.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #252

Sunday, February 17, 2008 at 2:00 pm
St. Francis Church, Quincy, IL
Carry-in dinner to follow Mass

Men's Cursillo #253

Sunday, March 16, 2008 at 2:00 pm
Holy Family Church, Hannibal, MO
Carry-in dinner to follow Mass

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #252

Feb. 21st (Thursday)

7:30 p.m. Registration

8:30 p.m. Sponsors Hour

Feb. 23rd (Saturday)

8:00 p.m. Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

Feb. 24th (Sunday)

5:00 p.m. Closing and Liturgy

ULTREYAS

Saturday, March 1st

Lincoln County Ultreya
Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, MO
Ultreya follows the 5 p.m. Mass

Saturday, March 1st

Jacksonville Area Ultreya
Our Saviour Church, Admin Bldg.
Follows the 5:30 p.m. Mass

Saturday, March 1st

Collinsville Community Ultreya
Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Morris Hall
Follows the 4:30 p.m. Mass

Friday, March 14th

Montgomery County Area Ultreya
Resurrection Church, Wellsville, MO
Mass at 7 pm followed by Ultreya

FOURTH DAY RENEWAL

February 15 - 16, 2008

Jim Cramsey, Director

CURSILLO DATES

Feb. 21-24, 2008 - Theresa Edwards, Rectora

Mar. 27-30, 2008 - John Boland, Rector

April 24-27, 2008 - Elaine Gray, Rectora

June 26-29, 2008 - Brent Frericks, Rector

July 24-27, 2008 - Jo Beavers, Rectora

Sept. 18-21, 2008 - Rector TBA

Nov. 6-9, 2008 - Rectora TBA

4th Day Renewal

When: Feb. 15-16, 2008 from 7 pm Friday to 7 pm Saturday
Where: Retreat Center-Quincy
Cost: \$45 (includes \$10 deposit with application)
Director: Jim Cramsey

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 couples that would like to experience a little bit of Cursillo as a couple.

For an application refer to: www.quincycursillo.com or refer to the application in the January Fourth Day Newsletter.

Mail the completed application and \$10 deposit to the Reservation Coordinators:

Dennis & Pat Holbrook
4025 Holiday
Quincy, IL 62301

If you would like general information about 4th Day Renewal, call either Dennis or Pat at 217-224-3898 or Vernon & Katie Korte at 573-324-3611.

Need to Rejuvenate Your Spirit?

What a pleasant surprise it was to see so many friends, both old and new, experiencing the Fourth Day Renewal weekend with Susie and I last November. We had a total of 41 Cursillistas share this 24-hour renewal experience. We shared, laughed and cried a little as the Holy Spirit led us. One of the comments I received was how relaxing and informal the weekend was. For many of us it was the perfect way to "quiet our soul" after the hectic Thanksgiving Day holiday.

A special thanks to my team for lending me their time and their talents to give the talks, be table leaders and serve meals. Many hands make light work. And a BIG thanks to Deacon Bill Neuser, our spiritual director for the weekend who put in many hours of preparation and prayer for us.

I would like to encourage any Cursillista who hasn't attended a Fourth Day Renewal to do so. It's a great way for anyone who has made a Cursillo to rejuvenate their spirit and help them live their Fourth Day to its fullest. So come on! What are you waiting for?

De Colores,
Mike and Sue Holbrook
Directors of 4th Day Renewal #16

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Front row, left to right: Roger Foster, John Boland, Damian McDonald, Fr. Don Antweiler, Bill Couch, John Little, John Kendrick, Vernon Korte. **Second row:** Jerry Keely, Bill Casper, Joe Buttitta, Tom Cisne, Marty Morano, Terry Andrick, Jim Brink, Gabriel Vanderbol, Gary Welcher, Pat Beckman. **Third row:** Troy Michaels, Andy Thomeczek, Josh Breitbach, Todd Platt, Dan Meade, Jody Oppenheimer, Bob Catalpa, John Farwell, Dennis Schumacher, Bob Street. **Fourth row:** Mark Gough, Dennis Allen, Tony Akin, Daryl Cobb, Chris Broughton, Phil Thompson, John Dowland, Ted Brink, Ed Torbeck, Alan Metternich. **Fifth row:** Joe Geisler, Kirk Rueb, Mike Carter, John Lacy, John Kallash, Tom Becker, Jerry Dreier, Dan Frese, Gary Hoette, Ron Deimeke, Dan Brink.

PIETY – STUDY - ACTION

Remember that message from your last Cursillo... the one that tells us how to sustain a stable relationship with God by nurturing the three foundations of Piety, Study and Action. It seemed that this is a good format to suggest a few practical ways to engage in those three vital elements to our spirituality.

There are many opportunities for Piety. Remember how critical our Palanca is to leverage Cursillo weekends. Do you get Sheli Martin's email requests for prayer needs? "... let your petitions be known to God." – Philippians 4:6. Have you visited the website of Mary Jane Davis... there will soon be a link from the Quincy Cursillo website. How about daily or weekday Mass, rosaries or just "being" with the Lord in meditative quietness?

One area that we often overlook is Study. The obvious modes are reading, Group Reunion discussions and Bible studies. Have you thought about classes at the Spirituality Center, Father George Kramer's classes or workshops in your area? Recently, many Cursillistas experienced a thoroughly enjoyable and informative retreat with Fr. Bill Burton on the Book of Revelations. Check him out on www.biblicist.net since we hope to have Fr. Bill back.

Finally, there is Action. Jane and I found that the Fourth Day Renewal gave us an occasion to hear about the ministries of others, to network with them and to be inspired to carry on the Mission of Jesus. The next Fourth Day Renewal is a great way to start your Lenten season. Sign up soon!

In summation, the essence of Christian life is our ability to follow Jesus' example of Piety, Study and Action. What does that mean in your life? What ideas are you sharing in your Group Reunions?

De Colores and God Bless,
Tom Deters

Lay Director, Quincy Cursillo

Request for Apostolic Action

To All Our Family & Friends,

We are writing this letter to ask for help for our son, Tim. He is in need of another kidney transplant.

In September Tim had to have his transplanted kidney removed because of rejection and the IgA Nephropathy returning. IgA Nephropathy is an autoimmune disease where Tim's body recognizes its proteins as being foreign. Tim is currently on dialysis; with the new medical advancements he is able to do hemo-dialysis at home. It takes about 4 hours from start to finish, 6 days a week. This option is much better for his overall health, taking him off all his blood pressure medications within the first month of starting. Training for that lasted 4 weeks and now Susan, Tim's wife, is beginning to look for a job and Tim will hopefully be returning to work soon, light duty.

We are asking for your help in the following ways: become an organ donor, pray and/or fast for Tim. If you have signed the back of your drivers' license, consider giving life now. To be a donor you need to be healthy, be of healthy weight, between the ages of 18-60, and have no high blood pressure, diabetes, or cancer. "O+" is Tim's blood type, but any type will work if you would consider being part of the organ swap program (there is a diagram at the bottom of this letter explaining how it works). Please pray and ask God to show you how you are suppose to help and ask your church to pray and/or fast for Tim.

Should you feel that you would like to donate, call Barnes Hospital Transplant office at 1-800-633-9906. Follow the prompts and they can answer your questions. They will send you a packet to fill out with your medical history and a couple of blood pressure readings. You are not responsible for any of the costs; those are covered by Tim's insurance. The time for recovery would be approximately 4-6 weeks depending on your line of work.

Feel free to drop Tim a note of encouragement. We have included his address at the bottom of the letter. A website has been set up for Tim and you can follow his progress there. That address is: <http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/timbaumgartner>. They update it when there is any new information.

Thank you so much for your help. It is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

John & Marie Baumgartner

Tim's Address:
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Retreat Center Conference Room

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scheduled at Quincy University
Our Lady of Angels Spirituality
Center.
Brochures are available in the
lobby.

Discovering and Celebrating

I couldn't help smiling. Down the pew from me at Sunday Mass a wee child was joyfully singing "Alleluia" very, very loudly as the priest raised the Word of God for all to acknowledge. Then it struck me, I should be "smiling" and singing as joyfully as this child during Mass. This is a time to praise and worship with glad hearts before the Lord. I knew this and have done this but sometimes sameness creeps in and routine dulls the awareness of what I am doing. So this little reminder was most appreciated.

The other day while on my treadmill, I revisited a devotional, "Hope for Each Day" by Billy Graham. The days reading spoke of a boy flying a kite. A man asked the boy how he knew the kite was there when it was hidden from sight by the clouds. The boy replied that every so often he felt a tug on the string and then he knew it was there for sure.

The author went on to say that God is like that. We know he is there from the little tugs we get on our heartstrings. Sunday morning the little girl was that "tug" for me - a reminder that He is loving me in my blindness, in my distraction, in my disregard and will continue to tug at my heartstrings to let me know he is always there to pull me back to Him.

Flying high with Him,
Terri May

Update Contact Information on Team Applications

Have you had a change in your telephone number since the last time you were on a team? Our rectors and rectoras are finding a lot of team applications that have telephone numbers that are no longer in service. If you would like to get a call to be on a team, you will need to keep your team application contact information up-to-date.

Dennis and Connie Hoyt are our Team Application Coordinators. Contact them at 217-224-2322 or ddhoyt@insightbb.com and provide them with your new contact information.

Hawaiian Island Cruise

Interested in a Hawaiian Island Cruise with others from the Tri-state Area? Anyone who has made a Cursillo, TEC or Walk to Emmaus, as well as their family and friends, are invited to join Bishop George Lucas of the Springfield, Illinois diocese and Fr. Tom Henseler of Quincy on a 4-Island Hawaiian Cruise. The cruise will sail January 17-24, 2009 - NOTE that's 2009.



Don't delay - reservations must be booked by June 1, 2008. For more information, contact Mike & Giny Baker at 217-223-2324 or John & Margaret Little at 217-243-4938.

Remember the "Gift of Cursillo"

A "Gift of Cursillo" can provide an option for candidates that otherwise may not be able to attend Cursillo. A candidate or sponsor can request this "gift" of \$50 by writing on the application that they need financial assistance. There are a limited number of "gifts" available and are made available on a first-come first serve basis.

If you would like to contribute, please send a check made out to Quincy Cursillo to Marcia Steinkamp, 2250 College, Quincy, IL 62301.