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Rectora: Mary Jane Davis

Theme: "Give It All To Jesus"

Dear Cursillo Family,

As I write, the Christmas flurry is past and once again I turn my focus on Cursillo 194. It's time to write my talk! How grateful I am to be enfolded in the "warm blanket" of our Cursillo family! God has touched my family through our 17 year involvement in Cursillo with many gifts. I am very thankful.

Last February Jesus gave me the scripture for Cursillo 194; Matt. 22:36-40 **"Love the Lord with all your heart, mind and soul. Love your neighbor as yourself."** Shortly there after, he dropped a song into my heart and I wrote "Give it all to Jesus", our theme song.

This past summer, everywhere I turned, I ran into the 23rd Psalm. It became the team formation scripture as I prepared to call together God's **Little Flock**. It's been a joyous adventure to this point. The Lord brought into the fold a wildly beautiful group whom I love and cherish.

The Little Flock - Spiritual Director: Father Tom Henseler, Mt. Sterling, IL (*Sacraments*); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Father Chris Commerford, Jacksonville, IL (*Grace*); Sister Jane Boos, New Berlin, IL (*Holy Spirit Divine Aid*); Father George Kramer, Bonnots Mill, MO (*Obstacles*); Deacon Bill Gray, Hamilton, IL (*Christian Life*).

Rectora: Mary Jane Davis, Frederick, IL (Group Reunion/Ultreya) **Assistant Rectoras:** Terri May, Quincy, IL (*Ideals*); Amy Koch, Mt. Sterling, IL (*Leaders*); Mary Peterson, Alexander, IL (*CCIA*).

Speakers: Emy Hilgenbrinck, Quincy, IL (*Laywoman in the Church*); Rose Marie Beeley, Jacksonville, IL (*Piety*); Naomi Egbert, Hannibal, MO (*Study*); Joan Broyles, Troy, MO (*Action*); Shelly Nacke, Bowling Green, MO (*Environment*).

Auxiliaries: Janey Menne and Nell Edinger, Troy, MO; Brenda Wessel, Frederick, IL; Patti Harke, Moscow Mills, MO; Linda Bush and Milly Golemo, Hamilton, IL; Teresa Bennett, Pleasant Plains, IL; Lisa Klopfer, Ashland, IL; Karen Crabtree, Roodhouse, IL.

Board Rep: Arlene Veit, Palmyra, MO. **Observing Rectora:** Kathy Vessell, Hannibal, MO. **Musicians:** Jan Faler and Kendell Bowen, Quincy, IL. **Sacristan:** Sheryl Geisler, Mt. Sterling, IL. **Service Team:** Ginny Andrews, Louisiana, MO; Nan Grawe, Quincy, IL; Pam Kelch, Bowling Green, MO; Mary Myers, Palmyra, MO; Nancy Long, Vandalia, MO.

Food Service: Becky Hill, Mt. Sterling, IL. (217-773-2957) Mary Markert, Macomb, IL. (309-837-1900) Please feel free to call Becky and Mary to sign up for volunteering your services in Food Service.

Hey! Did you know that each one of you is part of this team too? It is through your love, prayer and Palanca that you are very much a part of us. We humbly accept these gifts you bear us and are deeply grateful for your support.

We invite you to join us for worship and anointing at our Buddy Mass, February 3rd 2002 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Mt. Sterling IL, 2:00 in the afternoon. A carry in dinner will follow at the KC Hall.

We of the **Little Flock** encounter Jesus through one another each time we gather. We look forward with joy to Cursillo 194. Stay close to us in your love, prayer and Palanca as we continue to prepare. Christ is counting on *all* of us!

Hugs and Kisses,
Mary Jane and the Little Flock

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #194
February 3, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.
Holy Family Catholic Church
Mt. Sterling, IL
Carry-in to follow at KC Hall

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 #194

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

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

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

ULTREYAS

February 2
Holy Family Church
Hannibal, MO
Ultreya after 5:30 Saturday Service
Call 573-221-5404 Syl Riney for info

February 16
Lincoln County Ultreya
St. Alphonsus - Millwood/Silex, MO
Ultreya after 6:00 Saturday Service
Call 636-462-5550 Stan Pollman for info

SERVE MEALS

To volunteer to serve meals for
Cursillo #194 please call
Becky Hill 217-773-2957
or Mary Markert 309-837-1900

MESSAGE FROM YOUR LAY DIRECTOR

Cursillo Newsletter Online

Dear Cursillo Family,

Welcome to the year 2002!! It promises to hold many opportunities for us to show our true love for Jesus and the challenges He presents to us. Keep in mind that Jesus will never ask us to do more than we are capable of doing and that He will be with us every step of our journey. IN my office I have a sign that reads "Business Partner's Name Is Jesus". We need to apply that sign in every aspect of our lives.

I am happy to announce that **Paul Soebbing** has accepted the position of Assistant Lay Director of the Quincy Cursillo. I know we will all be blessed with his experience and knowledge of Cursillo, his willingness to serve and his love of Jesus. I could not have asked for a better choice and I thank God for leading me to Paul.

Thank you to **Stephanie and Jonathon McClelland** for taking over the candidate applications for Connie and John Kendrick. Also, thank you to **Connie and Denny Hoyt** for accepting the Team application file from Nan and I. You will all do a super job!!!

I continue to ask the family for candidates for the upcoming weekends. We are still in need of Catholics for all the future dates. We are in good shape for February but woefully short for the others. Keep on fishing for Jesus!!!

Please know that each of you are in my prayers on a daily basis. You make my job much easier knowing that you are there with your love, support, and prayers, too. Jesus is counting on you!!!

Decolores,
Happy 4th Day and Wahoo!!!
Jay Grawe

The Fourth Day Newsletter is available on the Internet at www.quincycursillo.com. If you would like to help Cursillo reduce mailing costs and read the monthly newsletter online, please contact Lisa McDonald. Ask her to remove your name from the postal mailing and provide her with your e-mail address.

You will be notified by e-mail when the new issue is posted to the web page. Lisa can be reached by e-mail at: mcdonald@ksni.net or call 217-223-1787.

Cursillo 193



Front row: left to right: Richard Grote, Jim Rothermich, Vernon Korte, Mike Holbrook, Rob Casagrande, Bob Rucker, Fr. John Stack, Mike Sheehan, Les Kelch, Jerry Eberhardt, Gerald Smith, Bill Casagrande. **Second row:** Shawn Twyman, Tony Herdrich, Joe Jones, Richard Scherder, Vernon Knight, Larry Kozlowski, Tony Moore, Damian McDonald, Bill Elliott, Terry Schmidt, Dwayne Goodwin, Tom Bugos, Tony Trautman. **Third row:** Harley Hirner, Jim Harke, Mark Robey, Steve Suttles, Tony Hilgenbrinck, Art Monroe, Dan Musholt, Larry Jones, Bob Hoff, Jeff Haley, Kevin Endebrock, David Little, John Everett, Ted Mountz, Jerry Epperson. **Fourth row:** Randal Johnson, John Underwood, Greg Wyble, Merle Howard, Jerry Gunn, Paul Harris, Warren Naber, Mike McCrory, Steve Carr, Terry Hausmann, Chuck Chambers, Mark Shade, Bill Whitfield. **Fifth row:** Rev. Louis Tosto, Brian McKinney, Paddy Keller, Glen Barber, BJ Menne, Tom Becker, Mike Lonergan, Eric Williford, Melvin Heffington, David Henke, Robert Howell, Ed Bergschneider, Alan Karcher.

Bill Gilmore - New Board Member



A big hello to the Cursillo Community from the confines of Northern Greene Co., Ill. My name is Bill Gilmore and I am deeply honored to have been selected to complete Jay Grawe's term on the Cursillo Board. I have been married to my dear friend, Rosemary, for thirty years and am the father of four grown children, and three precious grandchildren. We live on a family farm, which I manage and operate, as well as providing management services to absentee landlords in the area.

My first Cursillo was #106 in February of 1990 and I had the privilege of being the rector for #179

in September of 2000. I am a member of The Church of Our Saviour in Jacksonville, IL where I have served on the Finance Council; two years as chairman, taught Jr. High CCD for three years, and currently am helping Rosemary prepare to take a group of Juniors and Seniors from Routt Catholic High School to Washington, D.C. to participate in the March for Life Rally the latter part of January.

My favorite things to do are spending time with the grandchildren and working on the family genealogy.

God has been good to my family and myself. He has blessed me with many Christian friends, especially those of the Cursillo family, and I pray that I may adequately serve Him and the Cursillo community as board member.

DeColores
Bill Gilmore

Give It All To Jesus

Give it all to Jesus
When the hurt is hard to bear.
Give it all to Jesus
When it seems there's no one there.
It is only an illusion
Of the emptiness around.
Fill that space with Jesus
And let His love abound.

Give it all to Jesus
When you cannot find the prayer.
Give it all to Jesus
When there's no one else to care.
It is only an illusion
Of the dryness that you feel.
Drink from the cup of Jesus.
Your thirsting He will heal.
Give it all to Jesus
When your worries burden you.
Give it all to Jesus
When there's nothing else to do.
It is only an illusion
Of such sadness on your part.
Kneel at the feet of Jesus
And let Him heal your heart.

A poem written for Cursillo 194
February 16, 2001
From Doris Madison, with love.

SINGLES SPIRITUAL GROUP

God has called me to call upon fellow single Cursillistas of all ages to join together in fellowship and praise in a Group form outside Cursillo events. An adult version of a youth group/prayer group with us joining together in prayer/bible study and/or fun activities. A group I would like to refer to as a SINGLES SPIRITUAL GROUP.

I wish to take this time to thank each of you for giving this idea a chance and consideration to grow and become an opportunity for worship and praise in a loving atmosphere. Why not take advantage of the friendships that we have all acquired through Cursillo and let it continue to grow in God's love!! 1 Thessalonians 5:18 reads, "No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." We should always maintain a spirit of constant gratitude. What better way to show gratitude to the Lord than in a group setting such as this!!

Please respond with comments, concerns, or ideas to me at any of the following numbers: work 217-222-0456; home 217-222-5299 or email: 4sheli@usa.net

Thank you, God Bless!!
Sheli Martin

CURSILLO DATES

- #194 February 7-10, 2002
Mary Jane Davis
- #195 March 7-10, 2002
Jerry Eberhardt
- #195 April 18-21, 2002
Kathy Vessel
- #196 June 13-16, 2002
Jim Erickson

Applications are available at:
www.quincycursillo.com

FOURTH DAY RENEWAL

January 25-26, 2002
Mike & Ginny Baker

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

Applications are available at:
www.quincycursillo.com

GREAT RIVER TEC

- TEC #208 March 2-4, 2002
Joe & Sheryl Geisler
- TEC #209 April 13-15, 2002
Bert Shackleton
- TEC #210 June 22-24, 2002

For information call
Doug Many 217-224-8416

Applications are available at:
www.greatrivertec.org

QUEST

- #18 February 22-23, 2002
- #19 April 26-27, 2002

For information call
Barb and Dwight Seeley
217-224-5615

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

For information call: 1-888-889-9963



MARY JANE'S JOURNAL

December 18th, 2001 5:45am Tuesday

When Jon left a while ago for work, I saw there was a heavy frost and cold air blew in the door as I hugged him goodbye. Winter feeling...it comes soon.

Earlier, Jon read the daily scripture from Jeremiah. "Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David." The Psalm response; "Justice shall flourish in his time and fullness of peace for ever." There's a promise we need to hear in our day. The gospel gave the account of the angel coming to assure St. Joseph and encourage him to trust and have no fear to take Mary as his wife.

When Jon read the daily meditation, he underlined some things we both wanted to think about today. It spoke of Jeremiah's vision reaching across the centuries to us. God's plan of salvation is as timeless as the moon and sun and we each have a part in it.

Here is a beautiful thing; that there is no other like me or like you. God's own special light comes through each person and no one can replace that light. I think of my friend John who now lives in a nursing home. His light is always shining for Jesus. People are drawn to him because he is always simply "himself" but always in the light of Christ.

My friend Helen recently moved to a tiny apartment at the Illinois Veteran's Home with her husband Tom. There they daily serve Jesus in many ways. Helen speaks of people who are "brightening" up after being closed for so long. They are coming to Helen and Tom's scripture studies and sing-alongs. Helen and Tom are simply being themselves in the light of Christ.

My friend Bob was getting his hair cut yesterday in my beauty shop and got misty eyed when he told me his finest hour was when he stood with his wife Guigi 50 years ago and they wed. He was a light to me as he shared that lovely thought. Over the years of friendship with these two individuals, Jesus has embraced me over and over.

I could go on and on... Just coming off a Cursillo as Observer and working in my own team meetings, preparing for Cursillo 194 in February, I have been touched by Jesus over and over. I saw his light in the room last Sunday at team meeting, in each pair of shining eyes.

Oh, it's a beautiful thing; knowing, loving and serving Jesus. It's an awesome knowledge that he invites each one of us to share in his plan of salvation and he wants to give us all we need to shine for him! You and I can further his plan, because he lives in us!

Every time we pray for others, perform an act of kindness, deny some selfish inclination or say 'no' to gossip, judging or any number of evils, we enlarge the borders of God's kingdom and defeat Satan. We shine our light on God's plan of salvation. It's as simple as that... The good news is that God is on our side.

I've been reading the talk outline for Group Reunion and Ultreya, preparing to write my talk for Cursillo 194. There it all comes together, the Cursillo method. Together, united we stand, never alone. It is in fellowship and close friendships rooted in Christ where we gather strength and our flame is constantly refueled to burn brightly. "Come Holy Spirit, enkindle us with the fire of your love!"

Yes, it is wintry outside but so warm in my heart today! Is your heart warm? If not, turn to a friend in Christ who will share their "blanket".

Hugs and Kisses,
Mary Jane Davis

REMINDER!!!

4th Day Renewal January 25 – 26, 2002

7:00 p.m. Fri. - 7:30 p.m. Sat.
at Q.U. Retreat Ctr.

\$35/\$10 Deposit

Payable to Quincy Cursillo
Send application and deposit to:
Dennis & Pat Holbrook,
Reservation Coordinators
4025 Holiday, Quincy, IL 62301
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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

CANDIDATE APPLICATIONS

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A MISSION STATEMENT FOR ALL OF US

"During the ordination,(of the deacons) the bishop entrusts to the deacon the book of the Gospels with the words, 'Receive the gospel of Jesus Christ, whose herald you now are. BELIEVE WHAT YOU READ;TEACH WHAT YOU BELIEVE, AND PRACTICE WHAT YOU TEACH.' "