



## Cursillo #302: April 24-27, 2014

**Rectora: Marie Korte**

**Theme: "Walk by Faith, Not by Sight"**

Dear Cursillo Family,

What a journey this has been for our team!! It is so amazing to observe the Holy Spirit at work in the formation of a team. Those that said yes to that initial phone call are now reaping the benefits of your prayers and palanca as we all feel ourselves growing stronger spiritually at each meeting.

The focus of our team meetings and the weekend has been guided by our theme "Walk by faith, not by sight" from II Cor. 5:7. Our scripture from Jeremiah 29:11 follows along that same thought "For I know well the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, plans to give you a future full of hope." Our theme song is "On Eagle's Wings". This song reminds us that God promises He will "hold you in the palm of His hand" no matter what we face on our spiritual journey.

God has chosen a unique group of women and men for the team for this particular weekend. Please continue to pray for all of us, and the candidates that God will send to us for the weekend.

**Spiritual Director:** Fr. Lou Dorn, Louisiana, Mo. (Sacraments, Saturday 10 a.m.); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Deacon Wayne Korte, Montgomery City, Mo. (Grace, Friday 11:15 a.m.); Sr. Mary Fran Flynn, St. Louis (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday 3:30 p.m.); Deacon Bob Leake, Hannibal (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4:15 p.m.); Sr. Carol Kopff, St. Louis (Christian Life, Sunday 10 a.m.).

**Assistant Rectoras:** Nelva Owens, Bowling Green, Mo. (Piety, Friday 6:45 p.m.); Sharon Brunts, St. Louis (Leaders, Saturday 7 p.m.); Brenda Berry, Monroe City, Mo. (Environment, Sunday 9 a.m.).

**Rollistas:** Barb Dietrich, Quincy (Ideal, Friday 10 a.m.); Brenda Bland, Palmyra, Mo. (Laity, Friday 1:30 p.m.); Teri Fessler, Quincy (Study, Saturday 9 a.m.); Marie Baker, Palmyra, Mo. (Action, Saturday 3 p.m.); Tina Schmeling, Martinsburg, Mo. (CCIA, Sunday 11:30 a.m.).

**Auxillaries:** Nancy Blaue, Wellsville, Mo.; Addie Gramelspacher, Greenfield, Ill.; Rita Heneghan, Jerseyville, Ill.; Susan Kallash-Bailey, Troy, Mo.; Melissa Millan, Hannibal, Mo.; Carolyn Mullins, Marshall, Mo.; Maureen Perry, Bowling Green, Mo.; Jane Tracy, St. Louis; Julia Young, Columbia, Mo.

**Service Team:** Karen Biggs, Bowling Green, Mo.; Maria Carmody, Hardin, Ill.; Judy Cobb, Montgomery City, Mo.; Paula Haley, Jacksonville, Ill.; Nancy Weede, Quincy.

**Food Service:** Kathy Rucker, Eolia, Mo.; Beth Shade, Jacksonville, Ill.; Karen McCrory, Clarksville, Mo.

**Sacristan:** Joan Broyles, Troy, Mo.; **Musicians:** Connie Vermeire and Sally Kroner, both of Quincy; **Board Rep:** Sue Holbrook, Quincy; **Observing Rectora:** Pat Holbrook, Quincy; **Rectora:** Marie Korte, Bowling Green, Mo. (Group Reunion/Ultreya, Sunday, 12:25 p.m.).

Everyone is welcome to join us at our Buddy Mass, which will be held at 2:30 p.m. at St. Clement Parish, 21509 Hwy 161, Bowling Green, Mo. A carry-in dinner will be held at the KC Hall following Mass.

Men, if you are eligible to help serve meals and help in the kitchen, please let the Food Service Team know when you can help by calling Kathy Rucker, 573-795-1885; Beth Shade, 217-473-8908; or Karen McCrory, 573-754-2630, or sign up at the Buddy Mass.

Spending an hour in the Palanca Chapel is both rewarding for you and will benefit the team and candidates. To find out about open time slots, contact Bob Gough 217-617-7785 or email: bgough@quincyjourn.com.

Thank you again, on behalf of the team of Cursillo #302, for all of your prayers and palanca.

Marie Korte, Rectora #302

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### BUDDY MASS

##### Women's Cursillo #302

Sun. April 13, 2014 at 2:30 p.m.  
St. Clement Parish, Bowling Green, Mo.  
Carry-in dinner at KC Hall following Mass

##### Men's Cursillo #303

Sun. June 22, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.  
St. Francis Church, Quincy, Ill.  
Carry-in dinner in cafeteria following Mass

### WOMEN'S CURSILLO #302

#### April 24 (Thursday)

7:30 pm Registration

8:30 pm Sponsors Hour

#### April 26 (Saturday)

8:00 pm Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

#### April 27 (Sunday)

5:00 pm Closing and Liturgy

### ULTREYAS

#### Tri-State Area Ultreya

Friday, May 2, 2014  
Quincy University Chapel, Quincy  
Begins with Special Mass at 6:30 pm

#### Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, May 3, 2014  
Our Saviour Parish Admin Bldg.  
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

#### Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, May 3, 2014  
Sts Peter and Paul Parish Morris Hall  
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

#### Lincoln County Ultreya

Saturday, May 3 2014  
Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, Mo.  
Following 5 pm Mass

#### Shelby County Ultreya

Saturday, May 10, 2014  
Fr. Buhman Center in Shelbina  
Following 5 pm Mass

### Upcoming Cursillo Dates

June 26-29, 2014 - Randy Lovell, Rector  
July 17-20, 2014 - Pat Holbrook, Rectora  
Sept. 25-28, 2014 - Jim Reid, Rector  
Nov. 6-9, 2014 - Linda Holthaus, Rectora

## Thank you from Cursillo #300

We continue to celebrate Jesus in our hearts, as we experienced the wonderful, spirit-filled weekend of Cursillo #300 and in our fourth days. On behalf of all, thank you to our family of faith-filled, loving friends. We know the many prayers and all the palanca and generous service, the work of the Board, and other ministries involved in a weekend, attributed to the graces poured forth. Forty-four joined our family, we are truly blessed.

May our good Lord continue His good work of evangelization through the gift of the Cursillo Movement...so grateful to be counted worthy. In team preparation, I shared once with my brother, Neal, that I think others look at me and think that I send the message that Cursillo is the only ticket to Jesus....my brother's response...."it's not the only ticket, Joan, but it's a really good ticket". Join in knowing, "My Redeemer Lives."

I am sincerely, yours in Christ,  
Joan Brown, Rectora, #300

## A Note from Abby Brown and her family

We are not the least bit Irish but St. Pat's Day this year had us doing an Irish Jig, for Abby's scan showed "all clear".

Funny, Abby's favorite color is green; and we've been wearin' Abby green T-shirts for the last few months. We should have known; we were celebrating her remarkable recovery from the start. Our hearts are so grateful to all of you; we know you have been praying for her. Thru the gift of Cursillo, you are the awesome, living proof that "Christ lives" in our hearts,

Eternally grateful in Christ,  
Vic and Joan Brown (Abby's Grandpa and Grandma)

## Change in Name Tag Procedure

- Name tags should **not** be ordered until the candidate actually makes the weekend.
- Name tags must be paid for when ordered.
- The name tag committee will only have their table set up on Saturday night; Sunday availability will be discontinued.

## Volunteer needed

We still need a volunteer to receive, by email, the Palanca Letters sent through the website, print them, and bring them to the Retreat Center. An email address is already set up and will be forwarded to your email account. Contact Dennis Steinkamp if you are interested at 217-224-5665 or email: dmsteinkamp@sbcglobal.net

## Quincy Cursillo 40th year/300th Cursillo

On Saturday Sept. 27, 2014, Bishop Paprocki will celebrate at our Candlelight Mass as part of Quincy Cursillo's 40th year/300th Cursillo. More details will follow on our celebrations.

A committee is being formed to organize a dedicated 40th year/300th Cursillo event similar to what we did for the 100th and 200th. If you would like to serve on this committee, contact Dennis Steinkamp 217-224-5665 or email: dmsteinkamp@sbcglobal.net

## Cursillo #301



**Front row, left to right:** Ed Holthaus, Ray Eickelschulte, Greg Andrews, Randy Lovell, Scott Douglas, Dennis Boudreau, Pat Greenwell, Bob Hoff, Mike Baker, Jerry Dreier. **Second row:** Bob Gough, Randy McFarland, Deacon Bob Lundberg, Fr. John Doctor, OFM., Lawson Faler, Chad Argabright, Fr. Leo Enlow, Jim Erickson, Jim Cramsey, John Little, Jack Freiburg, Don Beeley, Paul Soebbing. **Third row:** Steven Galvan, Richie Fogle, Dick Rupp, Mark Quinn, Larry Allen, Matt Dunlap, Bill Mays, Chris Gutzler, Ted Hea, Adas Jacyna, David Young, Aaron Neff, Glen Ebbing, Michael Grant. **Fourth row:** Tyler May, Matt Boudreau, Dennie Hull, Tom Howard, Jerry Lauber, John Neyens, Marc Barneier, Marcelo Beroiza, Mike Moyers, Ron Kelly, Joe Horstmann, Jerry Duesterhaus, Patrick Pranger. **Fifth row:** Michael Wolfmeyer, David McAdams, Tom Pollihan, Joseph Zagorski, Mike Gillum, Lynn Anderson, Keith Poss, Rick Ringwald, David Boster, Robert Gervasi, Mike Bickhaus, Dwight Seeley, Joe Kohlrus, Bill Siebers, Christopher Bichkaus. **Sixth row:** Ted Genenbacher, Paul Finkes, Courtney Hageman, Steve Corcoran, Tom Strieker, Bob Mueller, Jim Fell, Dan Gillam, Brandon McGartland, Dan Cook, Carl Erd, Gavin Reed, Tim Weis, Adam Tignor, Bill Paxton, Chris Wisslead

## Lay Director's Message

If your home is anything like ours you receive a number of spiritual meditations through e-mail every day. I do not read all of them, but I do skim over them to see if anything catches my attention. I do not remember what caught my eye, but one morning I read one to the end. A Lutheran pastor, Vince Gerardy, posed this question to his congregation: "are you a thermometer or a thermostat?" He went on to explain that a thermometer reflects its environment. It shows what the temperature is; if it's hot outside - it says it's hot; if it's cold, it tells us how cold it is. It exerts no influence on what's around it. The thermometer just reflects what is going on around it. It is designed to be influenced by the weather and doesn't have any effect on what the day is actually like.

On the other hand, a thermostat has power; it sets the temperature, it changes things. The thermostat changes a cold room into one that is toasty warm, or a humid, hot room into one that is cool and comfortable. In the Gospel of Matthew it says, "You are the light of the world... People don't light a lamp and put it under a basket. Instead they put it on a stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house." So, are we thermometers or thermostats? When we see one who is hurting and alone and sad or feeling offended or betrayed or depressed do we just pass them by or do we do something to help? It is a lot easier being a thermometer, all we have to do is keep going our own way. Being a thermostat is more difficult. An effort has to be made we might have to go outside our comfort zone maybe face ridicule or negative comments. But isn't that what Jesus is calling us to be; the light of the world for all to see? Let us strive to be the Light of the World for all to see. If the whole world was thermostats we wouldn't care what the temperature was.

Peace and all Good Things,  
Dennis Steinkamp  
Cursillo Lay Director

## "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.

If you would like to contribute to the Gift of Cursillo fund, please send a check made payable to Quincy Cursillo to P.O. Box 3153, Quincy, IL 62305-3153. Indicate on a note or on the check that you want to contribute to the Gift of Cursillo fund.

## "Our Fourth Day" Booklet available for purchase

Would you like to know more about the Cursillo movement, recapping the weekend, living your Fourth Day, the purpose and history? A 70-page booklet "Our Fourth Day", published by the National Ultreya Publications, is available for purchase through our local Cursillo Board. The cost is \$5.00 plus \$1.75 for postage if mailed totaling \$6.75. Please send a check along with a note of request to: Teri Fessler, 1352 E 1500th, Quincy, IL 62305

The booklet will also be available for purchase at the name tag table on Saturday evening of a Cursillo weekend. Or if you would like to make arrangements to pick up the booklet from Teri, contact her at 217-885-3200 or email: fesslert@gmail.com

## Group Reunions

It has been said that the reason one makes a Cursillo is to form Group Reunions. This "reunion of friends," who have made Cursillo, meet regularly to give one another spiritual support and apostolic encouragement.

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 but more importantly, find a format that works for your group.

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### Discovering and Celebrating

Transfigure us, Oh Lord  
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Break the chains that bind us  
Speak your healing word  
And where you lead, we'll follow  
Transfigure us, Oh Lord.

This is the chorus to a song by Bob Hurd I heard at the Mass on Ash Wednesday. It spoke to me of freedom from sin, from fear, from regrets. It spoke to me of the healing of spiritual, physical and emotional pain and illness. It spoke to me of the call to discipleship, the call to follow our Lord where He will lead us. And it most importantly calls me to change, to grow, to be transformed by my Lord.

But how can I be transformed? Obviously, not like those little cars that my grandson has that transform into robots with strange names like Bumble Bee! The weekend before Lent began my husband and I attended a 4th Day Renewal, at the Retreat Center in Quincy. It was a wonderful treat for us to have 24 hrs. to get away from the busyness and concentrate on Jesus with others who have been on Cursillo. Every time I have gone on one, I have been blessed in abundance and have learned something new.

A long time ago, someone asked me to help mail the 4th Day Newsletters. If I hadn't tried it I never would have thought to share these writings. I no longer mail the newsletter but through that experience I took a step of faith and God helped me become surer of myself, to take more risks. I began saying, yes, to other things like Bible Study or welcoming people to our parish - not big things, little steps, but they were life changing for me and encouraged me to continue to say "yes" to "timely gifts from God" that came my way.

For instance this year a friend asked my husband and I to join them in a study of the Mathew Kelly book, "The Four signs of a Dynamic Catholic", that has stretched our minds and hearts. Someone we know well uses an expression I love. He says, "If you want to run with the big dogs you have to get off the porch!" God is very patient with me but I think He wants me to get off the porch and continue to grow and mature spiritually. Another friend got us interested in a Henri Nouwen daily reading we receive every day on our e-mail which is a good reminder to me when I pop open my Inbox who I should be thinking of when I start my day. My Ladies Cursillo Group Reunion was asked by one of our members to join a 6 wk sessions for ladies called Café Chocolat where we have met new people, seen God's grace in a unique way and have tasted His sweetness! God does send us dear people in our lives to help us on the journey.

I heard somewhere that God doesn't expect perfection but he wants passion, he wants my heart. Everyone loves a love story and this Lent we hear again the Greatest Love Story of all time - the story of Jesus who gave His life for us, for you and me. It is so amazing, it is hard to comprehend, but He asks us to believe, to grow, to be transfigured by that love.

Blessings to you this Lent and Easter,  
Terri May

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### Parking at the Retreat Center

Just a reminder that when the parking lot on the North side is full, there is plenty of parking on the street and lot on the South and West side of the building. On Saturday evenings, the entrance doors to the Connie Nieman Center, on the South side of the building, are unlocked for easy access to the Chapel.