



Cursillo #310: April 23-26, 2015

Rectora: Karen Meehan

Theme: Nothing Jesus Touches Ever Stays the Same

Dear Cursillo Family:

We have begun our Journey towards the prize as we gather together to form the Community of Team #310. God has called together a faith-filled team of ladies and gentlemen to do his work. We hope to let our lives be filled with God's fingerprints while He molds us and shapes us according to His will.

Theme songs for the weekend are: "Abba Father" and "Come & Journey with Me." Our scripture comes from Philippians 4:6-7: "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything, tell God your needs and don't forget to thank him for his answers. If you do this you will experience God's peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand. His peace will keep your thoughts and your hearts quiet and at rest as you trust in Christ Jesus." It is our hope and desire that God will hold us and mold us and give us His peace as we journey together and become molded together as one during our time of formation and as we minister to the candidates of #310.

I am proud and pleased to introduce you to the Team of Cursillo #310:

Spiritual Directors: Fr. Chuck Edwards, Highland, IL (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday 3:30 p.m.); Fr. Chris Comerford, Granite City, IL (Grace, Friday 11:15 a.m.); Fr. John Doctor, Quincy, (Christian Life, Sunday 10 a.m.); Deacon Troy Egbert, Hannibal, MO (Sacraments Saturday 10 a.m.); Deacon Bob Leake, Hannibal, MO (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4:15 p.m.).

Assistant Rectors: Cris Berry, Carrollton, IL (Environment, Sunday 9 a.m.); Cindy Sievers, Brussels, IL (Action, Saturday 3 p.m.); Chris Wiemelt, Quincy (Laity, Friday 1:30 p.m.).

Rollistas: Beth Burrus, Roodhouse, IL (Study, Saturday 9 a.m.); Marcie Kramer, Payson, IL (Ideal, Friday 10 a.m.); Carrie Alexander, Carrollton, IL (Leaders, Saturday 7 p.m.); Mary Jo Seiz, Springfield, IL (Piety, Friday 6:45 p.m.); Holly Vanderbol, Quincy, (CCIA, Sunday 11 a.m.).

Auxiliaries: Kristen Bell, Roodhouse, IL; Katie Brannan, Carrollton, IL; Katie Forrester, Jerseyville, IL; Christie Joehl, Greenfield, IL; Molly Meehan Kershaw, Williamsville, IL; Patti Pranger, Edwardsville, IL; Kiki Seger, Highland, IL; Karen Splaingard, Collinsville, IL; Terry Vacca, Kampsville, IL.

Service Team: Maria Carmody, Hardin, IL; Lisa Leake, Hannibal, MO; Michelle May, Jacksonville, IL; Jill Mason and Teresa Robinson, both Quincy, IL.

Food Service Team: Elaine Bugos, Roodhouse, IL; Paula Haley, Jacksonville, IL, and Heidi Morrison, Quincy, IL.

Musician: Connie Vermeire, Quincy; **Sacristan:** Karen Crabtree, Roodhouse, IL; **Board Rep:** Sue Holbrook, Quincy; **Observing Rectora:** Naomi Egbert, Hannibal, MO; **Rectora:** Karen Meehan, Roodhouse, IL (Group Reunion & Ultreya, Sunday 12 p.m.)

Please join us for the Buddy Mass at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 19, 2015, at All Saints Catholic Church, 125 S. Main, White Hall, IL. A carry-in dinner will be held at Seton Hall following Mass, next door to the church. Please bring a covered dish or two. Meat will be provided.

Gentlemen: meal servers are needed for our wonderful candidates! Please come out and show them CCIA! To serve, please contact: Elaine Bugos, 217-589-5331; Paula Haley, 217-248-2317 or Heidi Morrison, 217-223-3920.

We look forward to sharing a part of this weekend with you as you offer prayer, time in the palanca chapel, serving meals, attending candlelight, or any of the Masses. Thank you from all of us on Cursillo #310! May you be blessed as you bless us!

DeColores!

Karen Meehan

Rectora for Cursillo #310

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #310

Sun. April 19, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.
All Saints Church, White Hall, Ill.
Carry-in dinner following Mass

Men's Cursillo #311

Sun. June 14, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.
Blessed Sacrament Church, Quincy, Ill.
Carry-in dinner following Mass

ULTREYAS

Tri-State Area Ultreya

Friday, May 1, 2015
Quincy University Chapel, Quincy
Begins with Special Mass at 6:30 pm

Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, May 2, 2015
Our Saviour Parish Admin Bldg.
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, May 2, 2015
Sts Peter and Paul Parish Morris Hall
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

Martinsburg/Montgomery Co. Ultreya

Saturday, May 2, 2015
St. Joseph Parish, Martinsburg, Mo.
Follows 5:30 pm Mass

Lincoln County Ultreya

Saturday, May 2, 2015
Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, Mo.
Follows 5 pm Mass

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #310

April 23 (Thursday)

7:30 pm Registration
8:30 pm Sponsors Hour

April 25 (Saturday)

8:00 pm Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

April 26 (Sunday)

4:00 pm Closing and Liturgy

Upcoming Cursillo Dates

June 25-28, 2015 - Joe Haubrich, Rector
July 16-19, 2015 - Naomi Egbert, Rectora
Sept. 24-27, 2015 - Tom Holck, Rector
Nov. 5-8, 2015 - Joan Broyles, Rectora
Jan. 21-24, 2016 - TBA
Feb. 25-28, 2016 - TBA

Cursillo Policy Reminders

1. Cursillo is for "Adults Only." Children are not to attend any of the Cursillo weekend functions. They are, however, welcome at the Buddy Mass.

2. No pictures or video are allowed at any time during a Cursillo weekend.

3. Serving meals - please contact the Food Service Team prior to the weekend to sign up for serving meals. Spouses, sponsors and immediate family of anyone on the weekend may not serve that weekend. Avoid mingling with the team and candidates as this is time for them to have fellowship with each other. Any entertainment at meals is to be done by the team only.

4. Palanca chapel - Sponsors and prayer buddies should spend an hour in the palanca chapel. Please sign the palanca chart and write palanca letters to let your candidate or team member know you are supporting them in prayer.

Cursillo Prayer Line

The Quincy Cursillo community has a prayer line, sent out by email, for prayer requests. If you would like to either submit a prayer request or be added to the prayer line email distribution, please contact Deb Meservey at: dlmlm6@casscomm.com

Please keep in mind that our community covers a very large geographic area so if known, please include the city/town of the person who needs prayers.

Thank you from Cursillo #308

Dear Cursillo Family,

De Colores and thank you from the Cursillistas and Team of Cursillo #308! Our February/March weekend may have been wintry on the outside, but our hearts were warmly blessed by your prayers, service and palanca.

Our theme, "Here I Am, Lord!" continues to call each of us wherever we are on our faith journey. From our beautiful new 34 Cursillistas to those of our Cursillo Family who have served for years, may we continue to "bloom and grow" in God's love.

Thank you for saying, "Here I Am, Lord."
God Bless!

Evelyn Uppinghouse
Rectora, Cursillo #308

Women's Open Group Reunion

A women's Group Reunion recently started in Quincy that is an open group - meaning you can join at any time. All are welcome - any age, any denomination, any city or town.

The group reunion meets weekly on Thursday at 7:30 pm at Holy Cross Friary, 724 North 20th Street, Quincy - in the basement meeting room. If you have any questions, contact Barb Dietrich at 217-257-8129.

Group reunions are extremely important to continue the spirit of fellowship found on the Cursillo weekend, giving one another spiritual support and apostolic encouragement. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to meet new friends to enrich your faith.

Cursillo #309



Front row, left to right: Tom Meehan, Joe Buttitta, Scott Splaingard, Don Arnold. **Second row:** Dave Ferrill, Ray Wheeler, Tim Carmody, Joe Haubrich, Sr. M. Loyola Miller, Phil Thompson, Fr. John Doctor, OFM, Dennis Ippensen, Don Beeley. **Third row:** Shannon Maag, Caleb Briscoe, Aaron Hopfinger, Khai Ngo, Bradley Boeing, Gabriel Vanderbol, George Shultz, Norb Dixon, Dan Eilerman, Dominic Giovando, Deacon Jim Hill. **Fourth row:** Mike May, Randy Goeben, Ryan Dimmitt, Aaron Benson, Chuck Mellon, Randy Dodd, Chris Schoonover, Dan Kramer, Chris House, Mark Vojas, Tom Goetten. **Fifth row:** Tyler May, Rodney Tucker, Mark Friedel, Tom Suter, Robert Carmody, Ted Jackson, Jeff Barton, Richard Schafer, Rob Mellon, Mark Rosen, Dominic Casey, Ken Feldman. **Sixth row:** Dustin Dotson, Justin Mewes, Daniel Leonatti, Kristopher Mast, Austin Chewning, Gary Mast, Martin Griffiths, Rob Hawk, Lindell Hatley, Wayne Alexander, William Twyford, Jim Lowe.

Lay Director's Message

We are now in the season of Easter. Our time of Lenten sacrifices to prepare for this great Paschal Mystery is past. We've given up our favorite foods and drinks or have made positive changes to give aid to someone less fortunate. What have we learned? What progress have we made in our everyday lives? Have we kept it simple or have we complicated it with a lot of impossible tasks we never meet?

I was thinking about a mentor that I have who says "Find your SIMPLE". Sometimes I think I find it and then it eludes me so fast that I am not sure what happened. But Jesus, through His Passion, Death and Resurrection, has given us the example of what we are to do. And it is so simple, to love one another. God is Love. God loves me. I love God. God loves all. I am to love all. All are deserving of being loved. We need to remember this simple rule of life when we get angry with someone or say something about another that may or may not be true. We may not know the whole story and may have only heard one side of it. As my grandmother use to say, "If you can't say something nice about someone, don't say anything at all". There's a lot of truth and wisdom in that statement! Part of that simple is knowing when we need to say I'm sorry.

My prayer is that you all have a joyous Easter Season full of the Love of Jesus and shared with all our families and friends. This indeed is the great Feast of Christianity, and I encourage all of you to take part in the celebration of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday.

DeColores,
Dennis Steinkamp

Fourth Day Renewal Reflections

by Cele Gilbert

Have you ever had one of those moments where you sit back and say WOW? Well once again I have a story to tell and it's my WOW for the week!!!!

Passion for Christ!

No, I'm not talking about the movie...but my own connection to His Holy Spirit from my journey over the last 24-hours at last night's Fourth Day Renewal in Quincy. It's not my first, but is actually my second weekend to spend time renewing and growing in my faith. My first being last December. And honestly I didn't think that one could be topped!

Remember how you felt following your Cursillo weekend? On Fire with love for Christ...ready to take the world on and evangelize to each and every Catholic member that had never been, right? I've been there too!!!

You owe it to yourself, your family, your parish, your community and MOST importantly to YOUR GOD to have that feeling each and every day...

We get comfortable...a little laid back in our spiritual journey...life gets in the way. I ask you this...if you don't seek out the tools, guidance and the Holy Spirit on a continual basis, then how can you grow?

Oh I read faith-based stories, pray the Rosary, attend Mass and take Communion, go to my Group Reunions, Book Study and Ultreya just like all of you...but Fourth Day Renewal takes you a step further. It will bring you to the same place you were at Cursillo...ON FIRE!

I heard something this weekend, 'If we always do what we've always done, then we'll always get what we've always gotten!'

And another one, 'God refuses to leave us where we are. He wants us to be like Him. To change ourselves and others around us'.

God said, 'I have loved you with an everlasting love!' So with that said, ask yourself...How do I change my world?

Fourth Day Renewal's are two times a year, once in March and again in December. Between now and December pray to the Holy Spirit for Him to guide you toward another chance to come closer to Him

How do you want your story to end?

DeColores, my Cursillo Family!

Your friend in Christ, Cele

SAVE THE DATE - The next Fourth Day Renewal is December 4-5, 2015

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Next Board Meeting
April 16, 2015 at 7 p.m.
Retreat Center Conference Room

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Ultreya's - Have You Attended One Lately?

We have numerous opportunities for Ultreya's around our various areas.

The Ultreya is important for creating a larger environment for the benefit of the Christian Community. Here the Group Reunions can come together to share their commitment and growth and encourage each other in the evangelization of Jesus' love in their world. This can also foster the opportunity for the new Cursillista to find a Group Reunion to join by meeting and making new friends.

An Ultreya typically includes prayer, a short witness, sharing that witness in small groups, brief comments by a representative from each group, time for socializing with light snacks and drinks and ending with prayer.

As the Group Reunion aids the individual in their faith, so the Ultreya encourages the growth of Piety, Study, and Action and fosters unity with our brothers and sisters to be Church in the World.

We are not meant to walk this journey alone. Do you need "filling up"? If you haven't attended an Ultreya lately, isn't it about time?

Ultreya's are listed on page 1 of this newsletter and also on the Quincy Cursillo website - www.quincycursillo.com

Lost and Found

Items often get left behind during a Cursillo weekend. We have a lost and found in our Letter Writing Room, just off the front lobby. Please check there if you are missing some items or want to drop off something you have found.

Overnight Accomodations Available in Quincy

There are Cursillistas in the Quincy area that open their homes to travelers from a distance to stay overnight during Cursillo weekends. For reservations, call Committee Chair Nancy Weede at 217-223-9610 or email: sjkt13579@yahoo.com

Candidate Applications

Notice to Sponsors: Due to possible postal mail delays, if you are submitting a candidate application within three weeks of the Cursillo weekend to which they are applying, please email the application and sponsor form (scan it or take photo of it) to quincycursillonfp@gmail.com or fax to 217-224-6145. Then mail the original signed candidate application, sponsor form and deposit as indicated on the application. The cut-off to submit applications is the Sunday prior to the weekend.

Preliminary Candidate List

A preliminary list of candidates for each upcoming weekend is sent by email to the Area Representatives about 5-7 days before the weekend starts. If you would like to receive this list of candidates, please contact your Area Representative to let them know your email address.

A list of Area Representatives can be found on the Quincy Cursillo website under the Board Information tab or go to: www.quincycursillo.com/board/areareps.html

If you do not have an Area Representative for your town, contact the Rep. closest to where you live.