



Cursillo #284 – February 23 - 26, 2012

Rectora: Shelley Nacke

Theme: "I Will Choose Love"

The team of Cursillo #284 is endeavoring to "Choose Love" as we share our love for Jesus in the world. One of my favorite writers, Max Lucado, wrote a wonderful essay about the fact that the choice is ours. We may 'feel what we feel' but we can always choose to act with love. With that in mind, we have chosen as our scripture John 13:34-35 "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another", and 'We Are Called' as our song.

I am very much aware of the Holy Spirit working in our weekend, and thank you from the bottom of my heart for your prayer and palanca. Please continue and remember that we need people to serve meals, to pray in the Palanca Chapel and to write letters. The candidates of Cursillo #284 will, undoubtedly, be touched by the love that you show for them by performing these acts.

Spiritual Director for the weekend is Fr. George Kramer, Bonnots Mill, MO (Sacraments, Saturday 10:00 am). **Assistant Spiritual Directors** are: Fr. Bill Peckman, Bowling Green, MO (Grace, Friday 11:15 am); Fr. Lou Dorn, Louisiana, MO (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday 3:30 pm); Katie Korte, Bowling Green, MO (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4:15 pm); and Deacon Terry Ellerman, Quincy (Christian Life, Sunday 10:00 am).

Assistant Rectoras are Susan Heaton, Mt. Sterling, IL (Christian Community in Action, Sunday 10:00 am); Connie Hoyt, Quincy (Leaders, Saturday 7:00 pm); and Diane Powers, Fort Madison, IA (Laity, Friday 1:30 pm).

Rollistas are Carrie Alexander of Carrolton, IL (Study, Saturday 9:00 am); Dianne Deters, Quincy (Piety, Friday 7:00 pm); Michelle May, Jacksonville, IL (Environment, Sunday 9:00 am); Deb Meservey, Mt. Sterling, IL (Action, Saturday 3:00 pm); and Debbie Mueller, St. Paul, MO (Ideals, Friday 10:00 am).

Auxiliaries are Sue Bowe, Jane Haas, Renea Henning, Kristen Liesen and Linda Schrecke, all of Quincy; Lori Catalpa, Hannibal, MO; Mary Przada, Springfield, IL and DeAnne Wickens, New London, MO.

The **Service Team** consists of Ginny Andrews, Louisiana, MO; Cris Brannan, Carrollton, IL; Linda Holthaus and Sue Ostermiller both of Quincy and Lisa Leake, Palmyra, MO. **Food Service** members are Darlene Boland of Troy, MO (636-528-6352) and Genny Gramke of Quincy, IL (217-224-2603).

Musicians are Renae Jansen, Quincy and Patty Gramke, St. Louis, MO; **Sacristan** is Jane Deters, Quincy.

Our **Observing Rectora** is Rose Marie Beeley, Jacksonville, IL and our **Board Representative** is Donna Vogel, Quincy. **Rectora** is Shelley Nacke, Bowling Green, MO (Group Reunion/Ultreya, Sunday 12:25 pm).

We invite you to celebrate with us at our Buddy Mass, which will be held on February 19th at St. Clement Church, Hwy 161, Bowling Green, MO, with a carry-in dinner following at the St. Clement Knights of Columbus Hall. The team will be providing the meat, and we ask that the rest of you bring other dishes to fill in the menu.

Shelly Nacke

Rectora #284

Meal Servers for Cursillo #284

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 Darlene Boland 636-528-6352 or Genny Gramke 217-224-2603

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.

Also, please be aware that new Food Service guidelines have been developed, so please follow the guidance and directions given by the Food Service Team.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #284

Sun. February 19, 2012 at 2:00 pm
St. Clement Church,
Bowling Green, MO
Carry-in dinner at KC Hall

Men's Cursillo #285

Sun. March 18, 2012 at 2:00 pm
St. Peter Church, Quincy, IL
Carry-in dinner following Mass

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #284

Feb. 23 (Thursday)

7:30 pm Registration

8:30 pm Sponsors Hour

Feb. 25 (Saturday)

8:00 pm Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

Feb. 26 (Sunday)

5:00 pm Closing and Liturgy

ULTREYAS

Lincoln County Ultreya

Saturday, March 3, 2012
Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, Mo.
Following 5 pm Sat. Mass

Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 3, 2012
Our Saviour Parish Admin Bldg.
Follows the 5:30 pm Mass

Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 3, 2012
Sts Peter and Paul Parish Morris Hall
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

Montgomery County Ultreya

Friday, March 9, 2012 at 7 pm
Church of the Resurrection, Wellsville, Mo

Hannibal/Palmyra Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 10, 2012 at 6:30 pm
Farachon Hall, Palmyra, Mo
(across from church)

Upcoming Cursillo Dates

March 22-25, 2012 - Stan Schwartz, Rector
April 26-29, 2012 - Rose Marie Beeley, Rectora
June 28 - July 1, 2012 - Dick Mitchell, Rector
July 26-29, 2012 - Therese Long, Rectora

Fourth Day Renewal

February 17-18, 2012
Jill Mason, Director

4th Day Renewal

When: February 17-18, 2012 from 7 pm Fri. to 7 pm Sat.
Where: Retreat Center-Quincy
Cost: \$45 (includes \$10 deposit sent with application)
Director: Jill Mason

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 singles and for couples that would like to experience a little bit of Cursillo as a couple. Couples will be roomed together but will not be at the same tables.

For an application refer to: www.quincycursillo.com or use the application on the back page of this newsletter.

Mail the completed application and \$10 deposit to:
Dennis & Pat Holbrook, Reservation Coordinators
4025 Holiday, Quincy, IL
Have questions? Call either Dennis & Pat Holbrook at 217-224-3898 or Vernon & Katie Korte at 573-324-3611.

REC Volunteers Needed

Western Illinois Correctional Center in Mt. Sterling, Illinois is in need of volunteers to be part of their Residents Encounter Christ (REC) community. If interested, call Marvin or Deb Meservey at 217-773-3294.

Notes for Sponsors

This is the first in a series of articles we will be including in this newsletter to review the responsibilities of sponsors.

First and foremost, before talking to someone about attending a Cursillo, talk to God about the individual. Remember what you leaned on your Cursillo weekend, "Make a friend, Be a friend, and bring that friend to Christ."

Meet with your candidate and try to answer his or her questions about all the weekend that you are free to discuss. Don't be totally secretive, tell the potential candidate as much as you can without revealing any of the surprises. Reassure him or her, telling the candidate how you felt as you began your Cursillo weekend.

Make sure the candidate understands that Cursillo is a Catholic experience.

Make sure you know what health issues this individual may have. Some of these issues involve medications, mobility, sleep disorders, food issues, mental comprehension. You, as a sponsor, may need to be responsible to help meet their health needs and if you are a friend, you will want to be a part of this. Be sure to explain the health issue clearly on the application. The application committee will then review the issue with the Cursillo Board. The Cursillo Board, and the team, need to know they are ready to deal with whatever issues they may have before the candidate can be accepted to make a weekend.

Once your candidate is accepted, if your candidate is unable to attend the weekend for which he or she has been accepted, you must notify the Applications Committee. This should be done as soon as possible so that another candidate can be notified to fill that space. *To be continued next month.....*

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Front row, left to right: Don Hilgenbrinck, Rob Edwards Sr., Dennis Greving, Ed Holthaus, Jeff Liesen, Mike Fessler, Stan Schwartz, Rob Edwards Jr., Gary Hodgson, Joe Vermeire. Second row: Harold Turner, Don Kelly, Bob Rucker, Gary Reis, Marvin Schreacke, Ken Zielinski, Mark Stump, Bishop Thomas John Paprocki, Jesus Rumirez, OFM, Robert Lundberg, Deacon Wayne Zimmerman, John Venegoni, Buzz McLaughlin. Third row: Francis Hunn, Bob Vance, Tim Brecht, Gene Rupnik, Benedict Ayodi, Ray Hereford, Sergio Alvarado Perez, Fr. James Wheeler, OFM, Ron Clark, Jim Burns, Will Mersinger, Deacon John Esselman, Fr. Daren Zehnle. Fourth row: Francis Robben, Joe Kohlrus, Henry Gartner, Bob Mazzola, Nathan Teague, Bill Burns, Frederick Alexander, Kevin Patton, Mike Compton, David Hanke, Fr. Alex Ekka, Bill Reichert, Rodney Willingham, Mike McCrory, Russ Siebers. Fifth row: Craig Liesen, Dominic Greving, John Johnston, Shane McDermott, Don Welbourne, Don Despain, Chris Ornellas, Richard Johnson, Keith Patton, Jeff Fraley, Brad Smith, Wes Friday, Dean Schulte, George Henderson, Joe Wiskirchen. Sixth Row: Greg Shankland, Hal Klaus, Tom Colclasure, Ted Haugh, Regan Joehl, Chad Liesen, Steve Winters, Kent Buckman, Mark Neisen, Ralph Benz, Joe Fessler, Mark Frericks, Craig Frydrych, Lowell Wellen. Not pictured: Fr. John Doctor and Fr. Tom Hensler.

Lay Director's Message

De Colores Dear Friends!

During this time of the year, the time after Epiphany, I ponder about Jesus as he was growing up. How many days old was he when he first smiled? Was he fussy with his first tooth? How old was he when he took his first step? What children's song did he sing? Did he stomp in puddles? Did he drop a hammer on Joseph's toe?

I have always had a special devotion and bond with St. Joseph, the Patron Saint of Families. Did you ever think about St. Joseph as Jesus' step-father? He was. Did Jesus ever tell Joseph that he wasn't his father? He did.

In Luke 2:41-50 Jesus stays behind in Jerusalem after the Feast of Passover. When Mary and Joseph realize he is not with their group of travelers they frantically returned to Jerusalem spending three days searching for him before they found him in the temple. Mary asked how could he treat them like this, she and Joseph had been anxiously searching for him. And what did Jesus say? "Did you not know I had to be about my Father's business?" Sounds like you are not my father to me. What did Joseph feel when he heard this?

When Chuck and I married I prayed that he would love me like Joseph loved Mary. And that he would love the three children that I brought into this marriage as Joseph loved Jesus. There were many scenes like when Jesus was about his Father's business. And when Chuck and I had our youngest, St. Joseph's quiet example of parenting continued to be a source of direction and comfort.

St. Joseph, just, prudent, strong, obedient, faithful, Head of the Holy Family, please guide me to always put your Son's sacrifice, and Our Father's glory as first bond that holds my family together. Amen.

With love & prayers,
Cindy Stephens

Change of Information Form

To help us keep our electronic database of team applications up-to-date, a "change of information" form is available on the Quincy Cursillo website - www.quincycursillo.com. Use this form to let us know when you change phone numbers, mailing address, etc. When a "change of information" form is submitted, the information will be updated in the team application database, as well as in the newsletter database.

Please keep in mind that if you want to be called to serve on a team or to continue receiving the newsletter, you need to keep your information up-to-date. If you want to check to see if your information is correct, contact the application committee at 217-224-2322.

Cursillo Valentine's Dinner Dance Gala

Come join us for an elegant evening of dinner and dancing at the 2nd annual, Quincy Cursillo Valentine's Dinner Dance Gala.

Where: Ambiance Banquet Center, 5225 Kochs Lane, Quincy

When: February 11, 2012

Time: Mass at 5:00 to be held on site

Social at 6:00 pm

Dinner at 6:30 pm; Dancing to follow

Cost: \$35 per person.

This year's music is provided by the HornDogs, a Quincy favorite! They play blues, jazz and older rock-n-roll.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets are available from all Area Reps, but if anyone would like to reserve tickets at the door, mail your check, made payable to Quincy Cursillo, to Quincy Cursillo Valentine's Gala, P.O. Box 3153, Quincy Illinois, 62301-3153. Please enclose name and phone number. With every ticket purchased, you have a chance at winning a netbook pc! Deadline to purchase tickets is Feb. 8.

In addition we are looking for donated raffle items and Table Sponsors. Table sponsorships are \$100.00. In return for the \$100.00 donation, the sponsor's business name will be displayed on the tables. If you have raffle items or want to be a Table Sponsor contact Mike Holbrook at 217-653-5555.

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February 16, 2012 at 7 p.m.
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**Fourth Day Renewal Weekend
Request for Reservation**

Application Date _____ Date of Fourth Day Renewal _____

Name _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Male: _____ Female: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: Month _____ Day: _____

Marital Status: Single _____ Married _____ Separated _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____ No. of Children _____

Church: _____ Denomonation: _____

Are you on a special diet? _____ If so, what? _____

Please check: Deaf _____ Hearing Impaired _____

Do you have a health problem or physical disability that might affect your attendance at the Fourth Day Renewal weekend? _____ If so, please specify: _____

Cursillo number made: _____ Are you in a Group Reunion? _____ Do you attend Ultreya's? _____

Are you willing to make a Fourth Day Renewal weekend on short notice due to a cancellation? _____

If yes, how much time would you need? _____

State briefly why you wish to make a Fourth Day Renewal weekend and what you expect to gain from it.