



Cursillo # 280: July 14 – 17, 2011

Rectora: Judy Oberman

“Come to Me...I Have Loved You with an Everlasting Love”

Dear Cursillo Family,

This has been and continues to be an awesome, humbling experience to be called by God to be the Rectora of Cursillo #280. He has chosen a wonderful team to be there for the candidates, to show them the love, faith, hope, and joy that Jesus gives us. He has also chosen all of you, as He always does, to pray for us and to offer palanca, and we thank you for those things, and more that I know you will continue to do for us now and as the weekend progresses. What a beautiful example of Christian Community in Action all of you have been and continue to be for all of God's people!

The theme for this weekend is “Come to Me...I Have Loved You with an Everlasting Love”. Our scriptures are Matthew 11:28-29, “Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves.” And from Jeremiah 31: 3, “With age-old (everlasting) love I have loved you; so I have kept my mercy toward you”. And from Psalm 27:8, “Come”, says my heart, “seek God's face, your face, Lord, do I seek”. Our theme songs are “I Have Loved You” and “Here We Are”. I feel that God is always calling us to come to Him because He loves us so much. We may first go to Him out of weariness, or need, but then we begin to understand that He calls us for a much greater purpose. We need and want to know what that is, as we seek Him. When we answer His call, life becomes more joyful, and we feel and understand that abundant, extravagant, love that He constantly offers us.

I am honored to introduce Cursillo Team #280. **Spiritual Director:** Father John Beveridge, Sts Peter and Paul Parish, Collinsville, IL (Sacraments, Sat. 10:00 am); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Mgrs. Mike Kuse, Blessed Sacrament, Quincy (Grace, Fri. 11:15 am); Deacon Bob Leake, Holy Family (Hannibal), Palmyra, MO (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Fri. 3:30 pm); Deacon Mark Dobelmann, St. Joseph and Mary Queen of Peace, Louisiana, MO (Obstacles to Grace, Sat. 4:15 pm); Sr. Mary Fran Flynn, St. Patrick Parish, Rolla, MO (Christian Life, Sun. 10:00 am).

Assistant Rectors: Karen Biggs, Bowling Green, MO (Action, Sat. 3:00 pm); Janey Menne, Troy, MO (Piety, Fri. 6:45 pm); Marcia Becker VanCleave, Laddonia, MO (Laity, Fri. 1:30 pm).

Rollistas: Sharon Cain, LaBelle, MO (Leaders, Sat. 7:00 pm); Shari Goetten, Fiel-don, IL (CCIA, Sun. 11:30 am); Paula Gough, Shelbina, MO (Ideals, Fri. 10:00 am); Jolinn Neisen, Fowler, IL (Environment, Sun. 9:00 am); Doris Reid, Greenfield, IL (Study, Sat. 9:00 am).

Auxiliaries: Nora Bishop, Bartonville, IL; Nancy Cobb, Montgomery City, MO; Karen Dames, Palmyra, MO; Jenny Erickson, Hannibal, MO; Leisha Kent, Bowling Green, MO; Janet Langhammer, Clarence, MO; Karen McCrory, Clarksville, MO; Pat Troesser, Laddonia, MO; Julia Young, Columbia, MO.

Service Team: Donna Campbell, Lewistown, MO; Delores Davis, Bowling Green, MO; Therese Long, Monroe City, MO; Sharon Welschmeyer, Martinsburg, MO. **Food Service:** Peggy Bibb, Bowling Green, MO; Rosemary Gilmore, Roodhouse, IL.

Musicians: Mary Jane Davis, St. Joseph, MO; Brenda Wessel, Frederick, IL. **Sac-ristan:** Marcia Steinkamp, Quincy. **Board Rep:** MaryPeterson, Alexander, IL. **Observing Rectora:** Cheryl Wagner, Davenport, IA. **Rectora:** Judy Oberman, Bowling Green, MO (Group Reunion/Ultreya, Sunday 12:25 pm).

Please join our team and their families at our Buddy Mass at St. Clement Church on Highway 161, Bowling Green, MO on Sunday, July 10, at 2:00 p.m. The carry-in dinner will follow at the K of C Hall.

Call Mike or Sue Holbrook at 217-223-6676 or send an email to holbrook6@gmail.com to sign up to spend an hour in the Palanca Chapel. To serve meals, call Peggy Bibb at 573 324-2955 or Rosemary Gilmore at 217 473-5265.

I want to speak for my team members as well as myself, as we thank you again for all of your support, love, prayers, and palanca. How privileged we are to be a member of the Cursillo family!

Love and God Bless,

Judy Oberman, Rectora, Cursillo #280

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #280

Sun. July 10, 2011 at 2:00 pm
St. Clement Parish, Bowling Green, Mo.
Carry-in dinner at KC Hall following Mass

Men's Cursillo #281

Sun. Sept. 18, 2011 at 2:00 pm
Church of Our Saviour
453 East State Street, Jacksonville, IL
Carry-in dinner at KC Hall
320 East State Street

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #280

July 14 (Thursday)

7:30 pm Registration

8:30 pm Sponsors Hour

July 16 (Saturday)

8:00 pm Liturgy and Apostolic Hour

July 17 (Sunday)

5:00 pm Closing and Liturgy

ULTREYAS

Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, July 23, 2011
Our Saviour Parish Admin Bldg.
Follows the 5:30 pm Mass

Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, July 23, 2011
Sts Peter and Paul Parish Morris Hall
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

CURSILLO DATES

Sept. 22-25, 2011 - Steve Hembrough, Rector
Nov. 3-6, 2011 - Cheryl Wagner, Rectora
Jan. 26-29, 2012 - Mike Fessler, Rector
Feb. 23-26, 2012 - Shelly Nacke, Rectora
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

TEC DATES

#274 - July 23-25, 2011

#275 - October 1-3, 2011

For details, see TEC website:

www.greatrivertec.org

WALK TO EMMAUS DATES

July 7-10, 2011-Jim Lascelles, Director
July 28-31, 2011-Paula Crookshanks, Director

Lay Director's Message

Father's Day weekend two of my sons came home with their wives and kids. It is always great to have them home and eventful. Eventful is an interesting word and it brings with it a feeling of caution which with any young family, when they go to mom and dad's house they anticipate the kids will do something out of the normal. That's just a part of being a kid. And that's just part of the excitement grandparents get to look forward to and part of their role is to be ready for it. Young kids need to expand their horizons and push the limits. Matt brought home a 50cc four wheeler for his son Tristen to ride and of course everyone had the opportunity to ride. Three years old and letting him ride by himself, one might think, is that being responsible? His abilities are quite impressive for his age as he would maneuver around vehicles and spin out around corners. I even saw one wheel come off the ground as he went up a steep incline. What really caught my attention was the determination and strong focus on what he was doing. At first one could see that "is everyone watching me?" type of actions but then it went to that tunnel vision perspective. One time climbing a hill and because the throttle is turned down it wouldn't make it up the incline. He got off and helped push it, to continue on. This is definitely skill beyond his age. The problem that developed is that he enjoyed going through the water that was in a grassed drainage ditch and in one low area of yard. It wouldn't be so bad if we didn't have all the rain that's been falling every other day. Creating ruts and killing the grass was not a good thing. As he would zoom by, we would yell to stop but it was as though his focus would not let his mind engage into any other thought. Finally grandpa had to be the bad guy and physically

stop the machine. There was no temper tantrum. He rode the machine to the garage and shut it off and was fine with it.

We all need to step back from time to time and take the long view. It is time to refocus and see where we are and where we are to be. We cannot afford to be maneuvering in and around obstacles without a knowledge of our goal and how that goal affects other's lives. We cannot destroy the landscape that gives us the beauty of where we are just to say we achieved a goal. The end of December 2011 will be the end of a three year term for me as lay director for Quincy Cursillo. Cindy Stephens will be taking over at that time. She will be starting to become familiar with the operation of the board, the committees and weekend activities, and will be putting together an understanding of what the role of lay director entails. I ask you to please welcome her and encourage her. She will be an asset to the family as lay director.

Please remember to send in votes for the new board members. It is important to have people who are willing to work for the family and who are good at voicing your concerns. There is a Cursillo Blitz coming up in August to promote Cursillo in our parishes by means of pulpit talks, bulletin announcements, and diocesan newspapers. Please be supportive. To help improve our data base system, please keep your contact information updated by using the new change of information form which can be found on the Cursillo website. Have a great summer! Thank you for the gift that you are and in your willingness to share that gift.

John Runge
Lay Director

CURSILLO #279



Front row, left to right: Sheldon Robinson, Greg Andrews, Greg Wittland, Jared Holbrook, Steve Bunch. **Second row:** Gary Mast, Deacon Wayne Zimmerman, Paddy Keller, Bill Casper, Todd Hubbert, Don Tooley, Fr. Tom Henseler, Deacon Mike Ellerman, Deacon John Esselman, Andrew Veile, Pat Beckman, Chuch Stephens. **Third row:** Geoff Lanham, Bob Gough, Scott Wick, Brad Korte, Dana Thomas, Darrel Newman, Joe Sullivan, Terry Hendrickson, Karl Groesch, George Vinyard, Jim Erickson, Paul Kallal, Dave Ferrill, Douglas Baker, Steve Hembrough. **Fourth row:** Richard Newman, Mike Preston, Gregory Dittmer, Joe Koch, Jimmy Baucom, Derek Wilkey, Jim Citro, Marvin Meservey, Gary Scott, Kelvin Roberts, Kevin Terwelp, Rod Almos, Clifton Cox, Mike Holbrook. **Fifth row:** Ray DePauw, Christopher Seals, Randy Frese, Tim Conrod, Jason Wilkey, Ryan Gerding, Jim Aschemann, Rick Lierold, Don Arnold, Butch Sorrells, Kirk Carter, Chuck Pietscher.

Summer Social - Mass & Picnic August 6, 2011

Everyone is invited to attend our Quincy Cursillo Summer Social to include a Mass, picnic, games and a time to visit and share the gift of friendship. This is open to your families. We will have games for adults and children. Feel free to bring your own yard games to share.

When: Saturday, August 6
Where: Moorman Park, Upper Shelter House; Quincy accessible from 36th Street or 39th Street
Time: Begins with Mass at 4 pm followed by carry-in picnic. Chicken and Tableware are provided
Committee Chair is Donna Vogel. Any questions, call her at 217-224-5079.

Change of Information Form

We are nearing completion of an electronic database of our team applications. To help us keep the database up-to-date, a "change of information" form is now available on the Quincy Cursillo website - www.quincycursillo.com - that we are encouraging all Cursillistas to use 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.

Discovering and Celebrating

"Well, Toto, we are still in Kansas!" was our quote for the day as David and I traveled with our granddaughter, Madeline, out to Colorado for a family reunion this June. Although Kansas is known for its endless, flat, open spaces, the rolling hills of Missouri did not stop at the state line and the eastern quarter of Colorado had the look of Kansas plains before we hit the awesome mountain view. Whoever drew up the state lines did not do it by landscape characteristics. Each state seems to have a variety of topography and people to enchant and inspire us.

Colorado is no exception. In Colorado Springs the Cliff Dwelling Museum gave us the opportunity to visit a small community of dwellings nestled under a cliff, built by the Ancestral Puebloans in 1100 -1300 A.D. We saw where they ate, slept, raised children, celebrated, and gathered as a people.

In Crested Butte nestled in a valley surrounded by mountains we visited our daughter, Becca. It's very hard not to be impressed by the snow capped peaks and the pioneers that traveled to this isolated town to work in the mine or set up shop. My husband struck up a conversation with a lady whose grandparents were buried in the town cemetery and whose small house was a historical landmark. These people built dwellings, raised families, and gathered together to eat and celebrate their lives.

Black Canyon of the Gunnison Nat. Park was another impressive sight with its steep canyon walls - the deepest spot was twice the height of the Empire State Bldg. Can you imagine rolling along in your covered wagon and coming upon that canyon?! Over and over I tried to picture myself as a pioneer encountering these sights and obstacles for the first time - brave and adventurous as well as in good shape comes to mind, especially in the high altitudes. We were out of breath climbing the stairs at the hotel we stayed at!

Our final destination was Boulder where we visited my husband's brother and family and joined my siblings and their families for our every two year reunion. Besides doing some hiking, touring the Celestial Seasonings Tea Factory, immensely enjoying the Leaning Tree Western Art Museum, we visited, ate together, admired the babies, traded stories and celebrated our common bond as family.

We returned to Quincy full of memories and experiences of the country we had traveled, in awe of the scenery, respectful of the people who lived here before us, inspired by our forefathers, and so grateful for the connection with our family. On our long trek through Kansas we didn't seem to mind as much because we knew it was leading us home - where we would eat and sleep, where we raised our children and now helped with our grandchildren, where with our church family we would celebrate our lives in Christ and gather as people of God.

Lovin' to travel but always glad to be back home,
Terri May

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July 21, 2011 at 7 p.m.
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REC Volunteers Needed

"HERE I AM LORD". What a beautiful song we have sung many times! Have you taken those words seriously as you've sung it? Here I am Lord, is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.

Western Illinois Correctional Center (WICC) is an Illinois Department of Corrections facility located in Mount Sterling, IL. The Residents Encounter Christ (REC) community needs your help. We are in desperate need of new volunteers to be part of our REC community. We are allowed to have the third Saturday each month from 12:30 - 2:30 pm for a fellowship meeting for offenders who have attended a REC weekend. There are three, 3-day weekends per year at Western (also held on the third weekend, in the months of March, June, and October. The Facility allows us to have an "inside team" (offenders) of 20 men and 20 new candidates on each REC weekend. In addition to the "insiders", a team of "outsiders" also serves each weekend.

There are over 2000 inmates at WICC. Is God calling you to be part of this special ministry? The blessings you receive are truly phenomenal. Has anyone ever asked you to be in REC? We are asking you now! Have you ever had that thought or urging, that gentle nudge? We need your help!

Volunteer applications must be submitted to each Illinois prison in which you wish to minister. These applications are available from Billie Huebottor (217-430-4406), Tony and Sharon Cain, or Marvin Meservey (217-773-3294). We realize that prison ministry is not for everyone, but it is for many. Please pray about joining this special mission. Ponder this opportunity to be Jesus and bring others to him. If you feel that nudge, say "Yes, Lord! Here I am! Send me, send me. I will do your will."

Reminder of Board Election

Please send in your ballot's for the Cursillo Board Election. The ballot and brief bios of the candidates can be found in the June newsletter. Ballots will also be available during the July weekend activities. All ballots must be received by July 17th.

Thank You From Cursillo #278

Dear Cursillo family,

The team and candidates of Cursillo #278 thank you for all the prayers, palanca, and support that was offered for our weekend. We were truly blessed by the presence of the Lord during the weekend and able to "Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord" in many ways during the hours spent at the Retreat Center. My prayer for everyone to feel the love Jesus has for us was answered.

A very special thank you to the Cursillo Board for entrusting me with leading Cursillo #278. The experience was very humbling and rewarding in many ways.

A special thanks to the gentleman who gave me his handkerchief during candlelight. I was not prepared for the overwhelming experience of seeing the lighted candles before me. What an amazing once in a lifetime moment with Jesus and my Cursillo family! We had #1 weekend!

Blessings to all,
Sue Holbrook, Rectora #278