# The FOURTH DAY



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**Rectora: Carolyn White** 

Theme: "Change Our Hearts, O God"

Dear Cursillo Family,

What a journey we have been on since our meetings have started! And what better way to change our lives towards Christ than to have a change of Heart. And we believe that the change happens because of God's most Amazing Grace.

Our scripture for this weekend is Romans 12:2 "Do not conform to the patterns of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is....His good, pleasing and perfect will." Isn't it amazing that it's that simple? Just follow His lead and change your thinking and your actions and your heart will follow, and you will be changed. Our theme songs are "Amazing Grace" and "Servant Song."

It has been beyond an honor to be the Rectora of this God-called and God-led team. We have said all along that God is driving this crazy bus filled with His faithful servants! It is my joy to present to you this bus full of faithful servants for Cursillo 322:

Spiritual Director: Fr. Chuck Edwards, Ashland (Sacraments, Saturday 10 am).

Assistant Spiritual Directors: Deacon Jim Ghiglione., Collinsville, IL (Grace, Friday 11:15 am); Fr Tom Meyer, Jacksonville, IL (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday 3:30 pm); Deacon Bob Leake, Hannibal (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4:15 pm); Sr. Concepta Joerger O.P., Springfield (Christian Life, Sunday 10 am).

Assistant Rectoras: Monica Huffman, Jacksonville IL (Piety, Friday 6:45 pm); Michelle May, Jacksonville IL (Leaders, Saturday 7:00 pm) and Kelly Koetters, Quincy (Christian Community in Action, Sunday 11:00 am).

Rollistas: Melody Clark, Chatham IL (Ideal, Friday 10 am); Karen Splaingard, Collinsville IL (Laity, Friday 1:30 pm); Debbie Platt, Hull, IL (Study, Saturday 9 am); Holly VanderBol, Quincy (Action, Saturday 3:00 pm); Katie Forrester, Jerseyville, IL (Environment, Sunday 9:00 am).

Auxiliaries: Joan Ryan, Jacksonville IL; Jennie McDermott, Quincy; Linda Manley and Karen Whaley, both of Highland IL; Nora Bishop, Peoria; Patty Kallal, Jerseyville IL; Tina Hagan, Hannibal MO; Rebecca Boyce, Collinsville IL; Emily Alexander, Carrollton, IL.

**Service Team:** Mary Peterson, Alexander, IL; Nancy Goetten, Jerseyville IL; Cindy Johnson, Waverly, IL; Marcie Kramer, Payson IL; Rhonda Cors, Woodson, IL.

Food Service Team: Sharon Sitton, Roodhouse IL; Barb Leaf, Springfield IL; Sarah Cors, Jacksonville, IL.

**Sacristan:** Mary Koch, Mt. Sterling, IL; **Musician:** Vicky Mitchell, Quincy; **Observing Rectora:** Karen Crabtree, Roodhouse IL; **Board Rep:** Nancy Weede, Quincy.

**Rectora:** Carolyn White, Jacksonville, IL (Group Reunion & Ultreya, Sunday 12 pm). We have felt all your prayers and know that your palanca has been ongoing. The cards and words of encouragement have been very well-timed and a God-send, as you well know. Please keep our candidates in your prayers and the team as well. The team has been an absolute joy and is so anxious to serve our Lord.

Please remember to sign up for time in the Palanca Chapel. We will all be very grateful for your prayers as you spend time, sitting with Jesus and lifting all of us to Him. Call Bob Gough at 217-577-8044 or email bobgough1966@yahoo.com for open time slots.

We invite you to our Buddy Mass on Sunday, October 30, 2:00 pm at the Church of Our Saviour, 453 East State Street Jacksonville IL. A carry-in dinner will follow at the KC Hall at 320 East State Street. Meat, drinks and tableware will be provided; please bring a covered dish to share.

We need gentlemen meal servers during the weekend if you do not have a candidate, spouse or significant other on the weekend. We welcome your service with a smile! Please call Sharon Sitton at 217-589-5092 or Barb Leaf at 217-899-6924 to sign up. You may also sign up at the Buddy Mass.

Blessings and God's Amazing Love to all of you from all of us! Carolyn White, Rectora

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **BUDDY MASS**

#### Women's Cursillo #322

Sunday, October 30, 2016 at 2 pm Our Saviour Church, Jacksonville, Ill. Carry-in dinner following Mass

## **ULTREYAS**

# Tri-State Area Ultreya

Friday, Nov. 11, 2016 Quincy University Chapel, Quincy Begins with Special Mass at 6:30 pm

#### Calhoun/Greene/Jersey County Ultreya

Friday, Nov. 11, 2016; Mass at 6 pm St. Francis Xavier Church, Jerseyville, Ill. Followed by a pot-luck dinner in gym

## Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016 Our Saviour Parish Admin Bldg. Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

#### Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016 Sts Peter and Paul Parish Morris Hall Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

#### Martinsburg/Montgomery Co. Ultreva

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016 St. Joseph Parish, Martinsburg, Mo. Follows 5:30 pm Mass

#### Hannibal Area Ultreva

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016 Lower level of Holy Family Church Follows 5:30 pm Mass

#### Lincoln County Area Ultreya

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016 Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, Mo. Follows 5 pm Mass

#### **Fourth Day Renewal**

December 2-3, 2016 Rosemary Gilmore, Director

# **Upcoming Cursillo Dates**

Jan. 19-22, 2017 - Eric Schultz, Rector Feb. 23-26, 2017 - Karen Crabtree, Rectora Mar. 30-Apr. 2, 2017 - Ron Clark, Rector Apr. 20-23, 2017 - Donna Campbell, Rectora June 22-25, 2017 - George Schultz, Rector July 13-16, 2017 - Maria Carmody, Rectora Sept. 21-24, 2017 - Mark Wiewel, Rector Nov. 2-5, 2017 - Mary Zerrer, Rectora

# **Fourth Day Renewal**

When: Dec. 2-3, 2016

Time: 7 pm Fri. to 7 pm Sat. Where: Retreat Center-Quincy

Cost: \$45

Director: Rosemary Gilmore

Fourth Day Renewal is a 24-hour experience of personal growth for those who have previously made a Cursillo weekend and are wanting to renew and develop their spirituality. It's also a way to meet new friends in our Cursillo community

This relaxed, co-ed environment is ideal for both singles and for couples. It picks right up where Sunday evening of the Cursillo weekend left off.

Download an application to mail or register online at

www.quincycursillo.com/apps.html

If you have questions about the Fourth Day Renewal, call the Steering Committee Vernon Korte 573-470-3611 or Marie Korte 573-324-8300.

# **Celebrating Fr. James Wheeler**

Fr. James Wheeler, OFM, is celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving for his 50 years of priestly ordination on Sunday, November 13, 2016. The Mass will begin at 11 am at St. Francis Church, 17th and College St. in Quincy, IL.

A reception will follow at McGivney Hall on the K. of C. grounds, 700 South 36th St. in Quincy from 12:30-3:30 pm.

Fr. James invites you to this celebration. Please let him know by November 1st if you plan to attend the reception. Please e-mail or call Fr. James with your name and how many are coming:

E-mail: relee4849@yahoo.com Cell: 660-341-5213

# "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.

# **Chalice Blessing**

The family of deceased Cursillista Fr. Ken Venvertloh, #273, wish to donate his chalice to Quincy Cursillo. On November 5, during the Saturday night Mass, Fr. Chuck Edwards will accept the chalice on behalf of Quincy Cursillo and have a blessing of the chalice.

We would like to thank the Venvertloh family for this very special gift to the Cursillo community.

# 3rd Annual Franciscan Liturgy and Dinner Event

Tickets are available for the 3rd Annual Franciscan Liturgy & Dinner Event that will be held on Saturday, October 29, 2016. This year's festivities will honor Fr. John Doctor, OFM and Fr. Joe Zimmerman, OFM.

Mass will be held at 4 pm at St. Boniface Church, followed by Fellowship Hour at the Quality Inn & Suites, 201 S. 3rd St. in Quincy. A dessert and silent auction will be held at that time.

Buffet dinner will be served at 6 pm with program to follow. Tickets are \$65 each. Reservations must be received by Thursday, Oct. 20.

Contact Mary Pat Vahlkamp at 217-222-1645 or bmpv5@yahoo.com. You may also pay online at: firemen63.blogspot.com

#### Cursillo #321



Front row, left to right: Denny Schumacher, Ryan Kent, Chris Lorton, Tim Pranger, Tim Carmody, Jeff Shade. Second row: Tony Moore, David Longmeyer, Wayne Alexander, Mike Fessler, Fr. Patrick Gibbons, Fr. Chuck Edwards, Bro. Paulinus Nwaka, OP, BJ Menne, Tom Goetten. Third row: Scott Splaingard, Matt Denby, Paul Sievers, Matt Wilkinson, Duane Holzinger, Doug Schell, Jacque Davis, Alfonso Sasieta, Peter Tucker, Wayne Horstmann, Kent Manning, Billy Lorton. Fourth row: Dan Kramer, James Maag, Jeff Antonacci, Joe Wetmore, Kevin Alward, Clint Pluester, Rodney Knackstedt, Pat Furfaro, Brian Hutchinson, Jerry Purcell, Matt Holmes, Jeff Toennies, Shanon Autry. Fifth row: Brian Forrester, Randy Goben, Eric Schultz, Dave Reeder, Derek Kloss, Don Turnbaugh, Caleb Goode, Joe Gierer, Chad Goetten, Matt Muckensturm, Timothy Sheely, Dustin Harweger, Gary Prough, Colten Steiner, Steve Welbourne, John Kapp, Luke Fraley, Tim Flinn. Sixth row: Richard Burns, Kyle McNett, David Redman, Steve Ribbing, Dan Eilerman, B.R. Schoenbein, Chuck McNett, Luke Altsman, Regan Joehl, John Spengler, Bob Douglas, Hayden Sievers, Ted Ballard, Brad Vacca, Fred Raleigh, Todd Burrus, Clark Maurer.

# Lay Director's Message

1 Thessalonians 5: 11, "Encourage one another, build one another up, as indeed you do."

This is what we do, now we live our lives, our Cursillo experience.

Sometimes we get out of our comfort zone to invite a candidate to a weekend. Being a sponsor is a big commitment. So big, in fact, that we have several pages of Sponsors Responsibilities listed with the application. By the time we get to Cursillo Closing and we can see and hear what an amazing work God has done on that weekend, it is all more than worth it.

This is true not only for sponsors but for all who have worked behind the scenes. God cannot be outdone!!! He always blesses us for all we do in His name. We give thanks to God time and time again for His many blessings.

We have so many in our Cursillo family that are ill and some facing major surgeries, or others that have loved ones ill. Please remember to keep them lifted in prayer. We ask God to take control of each situation and that He touch each of their lives with His healing. All Glory and Thanks Be to God!

It is always a blessing to see so many of our Cursillo family on Saturday night. I would like for you to prayerfully consider coming again on Sunday night to share the joy of our new Cursillistas. It would be so good for them to see the chapel full on Sunday evening.

Thanks to our Area Reps for all you do in getting new Cursillistas into Group Reunion and Ultreya. Be sure to check the newsletter for dates and times.

Just a policy remainder. No pictures or videos are allowed at any time during a Cursillo weekend or at any team meetings. I know that it is hard to remember since we are so used to taking pictures with our cell phones. But this is important. The only photograph that is allowed is the one group photo taken usually on Friday morning. Thank you for observing this policy.

In Mother Teresa's book, now St. Teresa, "The Joy in the Loving" she writes, "Be kind and merciful. Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be a living experience of Gods kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting. To children, to the poor, to all who suffer and are lonely, give always a happy smile. Give them not only your care, but also your heart." What great words for all of us.

Thanks to each and every one of you that work so hard to make Quincy Cursillo successful.

God Bless You. Christ Does Count On You!! Billie Huebotter, Lay Director

## **Meet Our New Board Members**

Cheryl Wagner



De Colores everyone! My name is Cheryl Wagner and I really appreciate your trust in me and I thank you for electing me to the Quincy Cursillo Board.

I am married to Deacon John Wagner and we have four children ranging in age from 36 to 19 - which means we still have one in college - and one wonderful daughter-in-law, plus two grand-

I am a teacher of nurses with a doctoral degree in nursing, as well as a master's degree in pastoral theology. I am employed at a nearby school of nursing and let me tell you, those students keep me on my toes! I made Cursilo #143 and was Rectora of Cursillo #282 in November 2011. I attend Our Lady of Victory Church and am involved in Lectoring, Eucharistic Ministering, Parish Nurs-

ing, Cantoring and Music Ministry, and Sacristan. I am so happy to be involved in serving you all in this role. God is good!!!

**BJ** Menne



My name is BJ Menne. I come from Troy, MO. I attend St Alphonsus Catholic Church in Millwood, Mo.

I first made Cursillo 118 in Feb 1992. I was rector of Cursillo 289. I have seen a lot in my Cursillo journey. I don't know the exact number of Cursillos that I have been on but it is close to 25.

I am always impressed how the team comes together to become "ONE" during the course of the meetings. Everyone putting their own desires and ego's aside for the sake of the Gospel. It is beautiful to behold! I believe that if we as a community continue to do that, we will convert this world in which we live. If I have one goal that I would bring to the board, it would be to preserve that "one" ness in the Lord, through prayer, sacrifice, and praise. Thank You.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** AND COMMITTEES

Next Board Meeting October 20, 2016 at 7 p.m. Retreat Center Conference Room

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# Thank You From Sheldon Robinson, Cursillo #319

Cursillo Family, I just want to thank you all from the bottom of my heart. The biggest word I can think of to describe that most powerful weekend is "Phenomenal"!

I'm also grateful to the Lord for blessing me with very "Strong" Christian men as team members. Also, a big thanks to meal servers who drove far and near to make the meal time special. And special thanks to our "New Cursillista's" who came with an open heart and mind, and allowed our theme song "Open My Eyes Lord," be so fitting for Cursillo #319.

We all experienced palanca, kindness, and love from all. I would also like to thank the Board for trusting in me and once again the Team for giving me Faith, Hope, and Love! Christ is counting on us!

Peace Be With You! Your Friend In Christ Sheldon Robinson; Rector of Cursillo #319

# **Candidate Applications**

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.

# **Name Tags**

The name tag committee, Bill & Alice Bender, are available on Saturday evening of Cursillo weekends from 6:30 - 7:45 pm to purchase and/or pickup name tags. They have quite a few that have not yet been picked up (see list below).

Chuck Miller--259 Pat Mayer----258 Heidi Shaw----276 Lindsay McLaughlin---260 Jessica Schinstock----234 Erin Wheeler----274 Carol Muller----260 Kelly Shepard---264 Rod Havens----235 Ang Havens----236 John Gallagher----245 John Caldwell----271 Stacy Million----272 Teresa Fletcher----274 Larry Lewis----275 Anita Long----286 Marilyn Franken----296 Jennifer Kirn---292 Venita Bowie----244 Jim Schlueter----287 Joe Vogel---289 Tim Brenner----299 Sharon Baur---260 Miles Blair---263 Richard Johnson----283 Jimmy Knight---241 Teresa Musick----101

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