



Cursillo #281: September 22 - 25, 2011

Rector: Steve Hembrough

Theme: "You Are Who You Surround Yourself With"

Dear Cursillo Family,

DeColores! God is Good All the Time...All the Time God is Good!! Thank you so much for all the prayer and palanca that you have been doing for Cursillo #281. God has put together a great group of men who have grown together as a team to share God's love. We are blessed to have men with many talents and treasures. All will be used for God's glory on the weekend. When we sharpen mower blades or chain saws at the nursery, we use iron to sharpen iron. So has it been during this team formation. We have sharpened each other to be better men, husbands, fathers, and followers of Christ.

The theme for this weekend is "You Are Who You Surround Yourself With." The scripture verse is Proverbs 27:17 "As Iron Sharpens Iron, So One Man Sharpens Another." The theme song is "They Will Know We Are Christians."

The team of Cursillo #281 that God selected: **Spiritual Director:** Father John Stack, Clinton, Iowa (Sacraments, Saturday 10:00 a.m.); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Father Chris Comerford, Granite City, IL (Grace, Friday 11:15 a.m.); Father Tom Meyer, Jacksonville (Holy Spirit Divine Aid, Friday 3:30 p.m.); Father Jerry Bunse, Farmersville, IL (Obstacles to a Life of Grace, Saturday 4:15 p.m.); and Sister Concepta Joeger, Springfield (Christian Life, Sunday 10:00 a.m.).

Assistant Rectors: Tom Becker, Laddonia, MO (Christian Community In Action, Sunday 11:30 a.m.); Jeff Mayfield, Quincy, IL (Study, Saturday 9:00 a.m.) and Damian McDonald, Quincy, IL (Piety, Friday 6:45 p.m.).

Rollistas: Bob Hoff, Lebanon, IL (Action, Saturday 3:00 p.m.); Thomas Meehan IV, Jacksonville, IL (Leaders, Saturday 7:00 p.m.); Mike May, Jacksonville, IL (Environment, Sunday 9:00 a.m.); Tim Serbin, Palmyra, MO (Ideals, Friday 10:00 a.m.) and Tim Pranger, Edwardsville, IL (Laity In The Church, Friday 1:30 p.m.).

Auxiliaries: Adam Blaue, Wellsville, MO; Denny Schumacher, Jacksonville, IL; Tom Cisne, Jacksonville, IL; Dave Welschmeyer, Martinsburg, MO; Nathan Fritts, Quincy, IL; Ryan Kent, Bowling Green, MO; Terry Riffel, Highland, IL; David Harris, Carlinville, IL; David Koch, Memphis, MO.

Service Team: Rob Casagrande, St. Peters, MO; Mike Ericson, Camp Point, IL; Randy Lovell, Clarksville, MO; Tony Moore, Jacksonville, IL and Jeff Shade, Jacksonville, IL. **Food Service:** Dennis Hoyt, Quincy, IL and Jim Lieson, Quincy, IL.

Musicians: Paddy Keller, White Hall, IL and Marvin Meservey, Mt. Sterling, IL. **Sacristan:** Jeff Haley, Jacksonville, IL. **Board Representative:** Jim Erickson, Bowling Green, MO; **Observing Rector:** Mike Fessler, Quincy, IL; **Rector:** Steve Hembrough, Jacksonville, IL (Group Reunion and Ultreya, Sunday 12:25 p.m.). Katie Hembrough, Jacksonville, IL (A Woman Speaks Her Mind, Sunday 3:00 p.m.).

Please join us for the Buddy Mass on Sunday, September 18th at 2:00 p.m. at the Church of Our Saviour, 500 East State Street, Jacksonville, IL. There will be a carry in dinner following at the KC Hall 320 1/2 East State Street, Jacksonville, IL.

Please contact Mike or Sue Holbrook at 217.223.6676 or holbrook6@gmail.com to sign up for the Palanca Chapel. To serve meals, please contact Dennis Hoyt at 217.224.2322 or Jim Lieson at 217.224.4823.

We are excited and ready to see what God has in store for us. Thank you for all that you do! We look forward to seeing you at the Candlelight Mass and the Closing Mass!

Jesus Loves You...and So Do I....
Steve Hembrough, Rector

Quincy Cursillo Mission Statement

"To provide a personal experience of grace in fellowship with a community of faith, transforming our world through Christian leadership"

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY 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 #282
Friday, October 28, 2011 at 7:00 pm
Church of Our Saviour
453 East State Street, Jacksonville, IL

MEN'S CURSILLO #281

Sept. 22 (Thursday)
7:30 pm Registration
8:30 pm Sponsors Hour
Sept. 24 (Saturday)
8:00 pm Liturgy and Apostolic Hour
Sept. 25 (Sunday)
5:00 pm Closing and Liturgy

ULTREYAS

Lincoln County Ultreya
Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011
Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, Mo.
Following 5 pm Sat. Mass

Jacksonville Area Ultreya
Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011
Our Saviour Parish Admin Bldg.
Follows the 5:30 pm Mass

Collinsville Area Ultreya
Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011
Sts Peter and Paul Parish Morris Hall
Follows the 4:30 pm Mass

CURSILLO DATES

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

#275 - October 1-3, 2011

FOURTH DAY RENEWAL

December 2-3, 2011
Bob & Kathy Rucker, Directors

Meet Our New Board Members

Dennis Holbrook



Hello, my name is Dennis Holbrook. I have been married to Pat for 29 years. We have three daughters and one grandson. I work at Awerkamp Machine Co. in Quincy as the Service Manager.

I've been a member of St. Francis Solanus Parish in Quincy for 28 years. I am a Communion Minister, Usher, President of St. Francis Holy Name Society and part of the RCIA team.

I was Rector on Cursillo #269 in March 2010.

I'm thrilled to be a part of the Cursillo board and look forward to working with them. Thanks and God bless! Dennis

(Note: Patty Marshall is the 3rd newly elected board member and her photo and bio will be in the October newsletter.)

Fr. Chuck Celebrates 25 Years of Priesthood

The Cursillo board would like to congratulate Fr. Chuck Edwards for his 25 years of service as a priest. We would like to thank him for the gift he has been to the movement and his continued support as he transfers from parish to parish.

From his 25th celebration he received an altar cloth and he has given this to us to use on the Cursillo weekends. Thank you Fr. Chuck and we pray for your good future to come!

Cathleen Koch



Hello, my name is Cathleen Koch. I live in Mt. Sterling, Ill. with my husband Jerry. We attend Holy Family Church where I serve as a musician. Jerry and I are blest with 4 adult children, Karla, Elizabeth, Tracy and Tyler. Last October we were blest with a son-in-law, Chris.

Jerry farms in Mt. Sterling and I am a Registered Nurse and also the Administrator of Heritage Manor in Mt. Sterling.

I made Cursillo #40 in 1979 and served as Rectora of Cursillo #214. Having been involved with Cursillo for so many years and serving on many teams throughout these years it has been a journey of hills, valleys and mountains. I really enjoy being on a Cursillo team. Seeing the candidates transform, spending time with Jesus and feeling the love overflow your heart.

I have also served on many Cursillos as the musician. Singing and playing my guitar has been a gift from Jesus for me. Who would have ever thought that I would be singing and playing in front of so many people. It's called, God's Grace.

I am honored to be elected to the Cursillo board. I feel that I can be a good open minded board member because I have seen many changes throughout these years. I will place this position in Jesus's hands with open mind and praying hands. May God bless you all and thank you. Cathleen

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Front row, left to right: Deacon Mark Dobelmann, Mary Peterson, Peggy Bibb, Cheryl Wagner, Karen Biggs, Judy Oberman, Fr. John Beveridge, Therese Long, Marcia Steinkamp, Mary Hamann. **Second row:** Joyce Reyes, Jenny Erickson, Sharon Welschmeyer, Donna Campbell, Rosemary Gilmore, Marcia VanCleave, Sr. Mary Fran Flynn, Janey Menne, Mary Jane Davis, Brenda Wessel, Sharon Cain, Louise White, Delores Davis. **Third row:** Linda Dunker, Doris Reid, Mary Jo Newman, Julia Young, Carol Rakers, Peggy Newman, Anne Pietscher, Norene Koch, Karen McCrory, Lisa Householder, Paula Gough, Debra Wick, Jan Friel, Kathy Richmond. **Fourth row:** Lana Rabe, Rachel Henke, Pat Troesser, Jolinn Neisen, Amanda Thomas, Vicky Carter, Kyle Klostermann, Carol Frey, Stephanie Vogt, Karen Dames, Rita Rossi, Shari Goetten, Juliana Hubbard. **Fifth row:** Janet Langhammer, Avanel Thomas, Jennifer Canoy, Amy Kusmierczak, Barbara Forsys, Nancy Cobb, Leisha Kent, Kathy Almos, Christy Schicker, Nora Bishop, Crista Brown, Palmyra Dubbert, Michele Menne.

Board Member Election Results

New board members elected to serve a three-year term are Dennis Holbrook, Cathleen Koch and Patty Marshall. These new board members took their seats at the August Board meeting. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their journey of serving you by serving on the Board.

Thanks also to all of the candidates who said "yes" to submitting their names for board member.

A big thank you to those board members going off the board - Mike Holbrook, Mary Peterson and Billie Huebotter. It takes a great deal of time to serve on the Cursillo Board and we all owe them our gratitude for serving these past three years.

And as we complete this year's election, we start looking at the 2012 election. Please review below the policy for the Cursillo Community to nominate a candidate for the Cursillo Board for the 2012 election.

Cursillo Board Nominations for 2012

The Cursillo Community is invited to submit names of qualified past Rectors & Rectoras for nomination as candidates for the Cursillo Board in the 2012 election. A letter of nomination signed by both the Nominator and the Nominee should be sent to the Cursillo Lay Director (John Runge, 3712 Waverly, Keokuk, Iowa 52632) by October 1, 2011. The following characteristics should be considered when nominating:

Qualifications as per the Quincy Cursillo By-Laws:

A candidate for Board Member must be...

1. a practicing Catholic
2. a past Rector / Rectora
3. active in a group reunion
4. a non-Board Member (unless that member is serving a partial term).
5. willing to uphold the by-laws.

Characteristics for "Ideal" Board Member Candidates:

Availability:

- A past Rector/a before the September prior to the election
- Supportive spouse (if married)
- Available for the many Cursillo activities
- Available to attend Board meetings

Christian Characteristics:

- Prayerful, compassionate & caring
- Open to being led by the Holy Spirit
- Open to non-Catholic participation

People Skills:

- Diplomatic, positive approach
- Able to deal with confrontation

Communication Skills:

- Listening skills
- Capable of articulating the mission of Cursillo
- Able to use or willing to learn email for communications with Board

Administrative Skills:

- Will not let emotions rule meetings or decisions of the Board
- Open minded

"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 call the application committee, Sheldon & Teresa Robinson, at 217-228-2201. A team member 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.

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Next Board Meeting
September 15, 2011 at 7 p.m.
Retreat Center Conference Room

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Lay Director's Message

From time to time there needs to be a reminder about what we all can do to help a Cursillo weekend be awesome. This is for any Cursillista no matter what year you made a weekend.

Palanca is the key word. This is sacrifice not convenience and it is done out of the limelight. Prayer and thoughts of those who are going to be a part of the weekend are ways of empowering the Spirit to work. Writing letters is important part of support. To sign up for palanca chapel ahead of time is a commitment; it is putting all other priorities aside and saying, I will be there. No one sees you there, it is not a time to be in the limelight, it is a quiet time to be in prayer to support the weekend. This is why it is the engine of the weekend. The "I" is put aside and you are there for support and through this you are able to enliven the Spirit even more strongly.

Attend the Saturday evening candlelight and most importantly the closing on Sunday so the candidates have someone to share their experience with and in a way, be a crutch to help them step out in faith.

Quiet whisper is important throughout the weekend depending on our location and vicinity to the candidates and the setting. Be aware that the weekend is for the candidates.

Sign up ahead of time for meal servers but come to help even if you did not sign up in case there is need of more help. Help is needed in the dining area and kitchen alike. The setting of the kitchen and dining will become more like all the other areas of palanca. It will be a place for quiet, respect, and support for the team and candidates.

While these are only a few areas of palanca for the weekends, I want to thank the whole family for the many forms of palanca they do to make Cursillo an awesome weekend for the candidates.

John Runge, Lay Director

Thank You from Cursillo # 280

Dear Cursillo Family,

On behalf of all of the team and candidates of #280, I want to thank all of you for your prayers, palanca, and presence. It is overwhelming when I reflect on all of the things so many of you did to support us. I couldn't begin to list all of those acts that helped to make our weekend successful. God touched all of us in the ways we each needed so we can know that He loves us and wants us to seek Him, as He calls "Come to Me". Our Cursillo family members were all a part of that.

I want to thank the Cursillo Board for entrusting me to be the Rectora of #280. It was a humbling, awesome, experience, and I will be forever grateful to you and to God.

God Bless all of you. May you always know His everlasting love!

Judy Oberman,
Rectora, #280

Meal Servers for Cursillo #281

Women - if you would like to help serve meals for the September Men's Cursillo, please call the Food Service Team to sign up.

Call Dennis Hoyt at 217-224-2322

or Jim Lieson at 217-224-4823

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.