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Cursillo 341: March 21-24, 2019

Rector: Chuck Amburg

Theme: I Have Called You By Name – You Are Mine!

Dear Cursillo Family,

It is a blessing for each of us to be called to humbly serve as the team of Cursillo #341. The Holy Spirit has touched each one of us in so many ways along our journey of growth and in our relationship with Jesus. We have had a few obstacles come our way as a team, but we have persevered through it all. With Jesus help, and palanca from so many, our team is getting stronger every day. Thank you for your continued prayers and palanca.

The theme for Cursillo #341 is "I Have Called You By Name – You Are Mine" Our scriptures for the weekend is "But now, thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, and formed you; I Have called You by Name: You are Mine". Our theme song is "You are Mine."

We are growing and preparing as a team to allow the Holy Spirit to work through us and witness to the candidates the transforming power of the grace and mercy of the love of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is humbling and a blessing to open ourselves to the Holy Spirit as the team of Cursillo #341.

I present to you the team of Cursillo #341: **Spiritual Director:** Fr. John Doctor, Quincy (Sacraments, Sat. 10 am); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Fr. James Wheeler, Quincy (Grace, Fri. 11:15 am); Fr. Chuck Edwards, Effingham, IL (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Fri. 3 pm); Deacon Bob Leake, Hannibal, MO (Obstacles to Grace, Sat. 4 pm); and Deacon Troy Egbert, Hannibal, MO (Christian Life, Sun. 10 am).

Assistant Rectors: Thomas Meehan, Jacksonville, IL (Action, Saturday 3 pm); Brad Vacca, Kampsville, IL (Leaders, Saturday 7 pm); and Tim Pranger, Hamburg, IL (CCIA, Sunday 11 am).

Rollistas: Steve Welbourne, Pittsfield, IL (Ideal, Friday 10 am) David Nord, Carrollton, IL (Laity, Friday 1:30 pm); Mike McMahon, Collinsville, IL (Piety, Friday 6:45 pm); Brian Forrester (Study, Saturday 9 am) and Joe Heneghan, (Environment, Sunday 9 am) both of Jerseyville, IL.

Auxillaries: Rick Davis, Dave Harmon, and Bill Welbourne, all of Jerseyville, IL; Tim Flinn, Pleasant Plains, IL; Evan Hurst, Hannibal, MO; Ron Massman, Bowling Green, MO; Terry Wilson, Collinsville, IL; Scott Marshall and Bob Zeller, both of Jacksonville, IL.

Service Team: Larry Bork and George Schultz, both of Jacksonville, IL; Mike Holbrook, Ray Wheeler and Greg Wittland, all of Quincy. **Food Service Team:** Dave Ferrill, Mt Sterling, IL; Matt Harmon, Roodhouse, IL; and Pete Tucker, Highland, IL.

Sacristan: Tom Meehan, Roodhouse, IL. **Musician:** Jared Holbrook, Quincy. **Observing Rector:** Greg Andrews, Quincy, IL. **Board Rep:** BJ Menne, Troy, MO; **Rector:** Chuck Amburg (Group Reunion and Ultreya, Sunday Noon) and Jane Amburg both of Jerseyville, IL (A Woman's Perspective, Sunday 1 pm).

Our Buddy Mass will be Sunday, March 10, 2019 at 2 pm at St. Francis Xavier Church, Jerseyville, IL. A carry-in dinner will follow at the Jerseyville Knights of Columbus. Meat, drinks, silverware and paper products will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to complete meal.

Please consider honoring us and serving the Lord by helping to serve meals during the weekend. You would be a wonderful blessing to the candidates. You can sign up at the Buddy Mass or by calling or texting: Dave Ferrill 217-257-7508, Matt Harmon 217-320-1040, or Pete Tucker 618-980-5135.

We are so grateful for the prayers and palanca you have offered so far, and we know your generous effort will continue. Please help us to fill the Palanca Chart prior to the weekend by signing up for an hour at the Buddy Mass, online quincycursillo.com, or by contacting Bob Gough at bobgough1966@yahoo.com or 217-577-8044. We want to share Jesus so please invite someone to be a candidate. Also join the Cursillo family at Mass on Saturday at 8 pm or the closing Mass on Sunday at 4 pm.

Many blessings to each of you!

Chuck Amburg, Rector of Cursillo #341

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Men's Cursillo #341

March 10, 2019 at 2 pm

St. Francis Xavier Church, Jerseyville, Ill
Carry in dinner at KC Hall following Mass

Women's Cursillo #342

April 14, 2019 at 2 pm

All Saints Church, White Hall, IL

Carry-in dinner following Mass

ULTREYAS

Tri-State Area Ultreya

Friday, March 1, 2019

Quincy University Chapel, Quincy

Begins with Mass at 6:30 pm

Hannibal Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 2, 2019

Holy Family Parish, Hannibal, Mo.

Follows 5:30 pm Mass

Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 2, 2019

Our Saviour Parish, Admin Bldg.

Follows 4:30 pm Mass

Southeast Iowa Ultreya

Saturday, March 2, 2019

St. Mary Parish, Fairfield, Iowa

Follows 5:30 pm Mass.

Carry in meal in parish hall

Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 2, 2019

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Morris Hall

Follow the 4:30 pm Mass

Martinsburg Area Ultreya

Saturday, March 2, 2019 at 6 pm

Martinsburg Community Room

Meat and drinks will be provided.

Please bring a dish to share.

Shelby County Ultreya

Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 6 pm

Fr. Buhman Center, Shelbyville, Mo.

Carry-in dinner and Ultreya

Upcoming Cursillo Dates

March 21-24, 2019 - Chuck Amburg

April 25-28, 2019 - Judy Harmon

June 20-23, 2019 - Greg Andrews

July 11-14, 2019 - Diane Powers

September 19-22, 2019 - Steve Carr

November 7-10, 2019 - Mary Koch

January 23-26, 2020 - Doug Baker

Thank You from Cursillo 339

I feel I can speak for all of the team of Cursillo 339 when I say that it was an amazing experience from the first meeting to the closing Mass. We all felt the Holy Spirit moving within us at our meetings and with the candidates during the weekend.

God truly blessed Cursillo 339 with an incredible group of men to make up the team and He brought 18 wonderful inspiring candidates that made for a spirit-filled weekend.

Our theme was "When Jesus died on the cross He was thinking of me." I feel we each not only have a better understanding of what Jesus did for us but we also know the incredible sacrifice that He made for each of us personally. Such love Jesus has for each of us. What a concept and one that to this day I am still amazed by.

As many of you know it takes many hours to prepare for a Cursillo weekend. But it also takes many hands, hearts, prayers and lots of love. Thank you to all of our Cursillo family and friends who showed that love. And thank you to the team of Cursillo 339. You all blessed us with all the special things you did to make Cursillo 339 a wonderful Jesus filled experience.

Thank You

Dave Hummel, Rector Cursillo 339

PS to Cursillo 339. Remember what Lynn said....."Can't stop the feeling"

"Our Fourth Day" Booklet available for purchase

Would you like to know more about the Cursillo movement, recapping the weekend, living your Fourth Day, the purpose and history? A 70-page booklet "Our Fourth Day", published by the National Ultreya Publications, is available for purchase through our local Cursillo. The cost is \$5.00 plus \$1.75 for postage if mailed totaling \$6.75. Please send a check along with a note of request to: Billie Huebotter, 1292 Lakeview Court, Fowler, IL 62338

The booklet is also available for purchase at the name tag table on Saturday evening of a Cursillo weekend.

Board Meeting Dates

Board meetings are transitioning to a different weeknight due to scheduling conflicts on Thursdays. Starting in April, future meetings will be held on the third Tuesday each month. Following are the dates for the next two months.

Wednesday March 20, 2019 at 7 pm

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 7 pm

Board meetings are open for anyone in the Cursillo community to attend. All meetings are held in the Retreat Center Conference Room.

March Fourth Day Renewal

The Fourth Day Renewal scheduled for March 8-9, 2019 has been cancelled. The next Fourth Day Renewal is scheduled for December 6-7, 2019.

Fourth Day Renewals are open to anyone who has attended a Cursillo. Learn more on our website: www.quincycursillo.com/applications/fourth-day-renewal/

Sign up for Palanca Chapel
through link at:
quincycursillo.com

Cursillo #340



Front row, left to right: Deacon Larry Mitchell, Fr Greg Oligschlaeger, Paula Gough, Judy Harmon, Diane Lagoski, Mary Jane Davis. **Second row:** Marie Baker, Heather Friday, Sharon Welschmeyer, Kristin Goings. **Third row:** Kay Koch, Emily Haistings, Brenda Leatherman, Kathryn Untiedt, Meghan Field, Ashley Becker, Jennifer Dickerman, Jenny Hilgenbrinck, Beverle Prior, Gina Pollard, Naomi Egbert. **Fourth row:** Donna Mitchell, Rita Frese, Colleen Closser, Tonya Lair, Heather Hanson, Sarah Baker, Lacy Korb, Nicole Haubrich, Delana Becker, Debbie Beard, Janey Menne. **Fifth row:** Debbie Platt, Jill Kinion, Jennifer Miller, Nancy Fennewald, Joni Silver, Cheryl Bolte, Jane Vollrath, Jennie Forbes, Danielle Albur, Laurie Wiedner, Chris Dimmitt, Joan Broyles. **Sixth row:** Kathy Schwartz, Shelby Baalman, Alexa Welch, Kisha Capps, Denise Sangoi, Laura Casagrande, Laurie Frank, Ellen Gough, Jill Roettger, Melissa Runser, Donna Stephenson, Stephanie Landers, Lisa Leake.

Discovering and Celebrating

by Terri May

The birds have been flocking to our birdfeeder this winter with the sub zero weather and the snow covering the ground. My husband moved the feeder just outside our kitchen window so we could enjoy the many different kinds of feathered friends – the downy woodpecker, the common flicker, the blue jays, cardinals, juncos, the sparrows and goldfinches and many others that I probably don't recognize. Of course, there are also the pesky squirrels that somehow manage to get up the pole around the bucket and onto the feeder for a feast. We throw peanuts out for them but the seeds are always better on the other side of the fence, you know?

Jesus talked a lot about seeds, about the tiny mustard seed, about planting seeds in the rocky, the thorny and the fertile soil. In one of my devotionals, it talked about being generous with scattering the gospel, like seeds thrown on the soil. They went on to say that it didn't matter if they grew or not; that was God's domain. Our job was to scatter the Good News to all that we could.

In our Bible Study about Philippians it relates how the Apostle Paul was chained at one time to his guards and as they would change places, he would share the Good News, converting many to Christianity. He literally had a "captive" audience and he used that opportunity to share his love for Jesus and told them how Jesus had changed his life. He persevered through all kinds of turmoil and challenges and never gave up.

Kind of like those pesky squirrels. I admire their creativity and spunk, how they are determined to get that seed. They climb the pole and sometimes my husband greases it so they can only get so far and then slide back down. When he moved the bird feeder he forgot that there was a plastic container nearby that the squirrels could use to jump from onto the feeder. And then there was a feisty one who climbed up the pole and grabbed the edge of the bucket that was upside down under the feeder with his teeth and flipped himself up onto it! I wonder if I would be that greedy and determined to get to Jesus to hear the Word if, like many who live in places where Christians or persecuted, I would try to go to Mass or read the bible?

As I take in the beauty of the birds and the ingenuity of the squirrels, I realize anew how our God can speak through all of His creation, be it little creatures or magnificent mountains. He is there trying to get my attention, to show me His love and care in my life. He also wants something of me because all relationships have a back and forth to them – speak, listen, give and take, love and be loved. And He wants me to share that magnificent love with others, to throw the seeds generously to all who come my way – the Good News, that He loves me, that HE loves all of us, that He loves you.

Stay safe and warm and throw those seeds with Joy,
Terri May

Review of Sponsors Responsibilities

One of your responsibilities is to attend the Sponsor's Hour in the north chapel at 8:30 pm on Thursday night and hang his or her cross on the larger cross that will be in the palanca chapel throughout the weekend.

Do not plan on serving meals during your candidate's weekend. If you really want to help, you are free to come and wash dishes in the kitchen, but you should not have any contact with your candidate, such as in the dining room. Consider this lack of contact with him or her as a form of palanca.

Attend the Apostolic Hour at 8 pm on Saturday evening. Remember, no children are allowed and Cursillistas and Emmaus Pilgrims only.

Attend the Closing on Sunday evening in the main chapel at 4:00 pm sharp.

If your candidate is a married man, contact his wife during the weekend to make sure that she is doing okay. Offer to help her in any way that you can.

It is part of your duty to help the family resolve problems that may come up. You should give your candidate's family a number where they can reach you. If it is a real emergency, you may contact the Quincy Cursillo Lay Director, Mike Baker at 217-299-5873. He will see that a message is given to the candidate. Please use these numbers only in a real emergency.

Please review the sponsor's responsibilities information that accompanies the sponsor form for more detailed information.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES

Next Board Meeting
March 20, 2019 at 7 p.m.
Retreat Center Conference Room

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Volunteer Needed for Board Treasurer Position

The Cursillo Board is in need of a volunteer to fill the Treasurer position. This is not an elected position. Mike Holbrook has served as Treasurer for numerous years and is ready to retire.

Here is a detailed job description: The treasurer pays all invoices, collects all team and candidate fees, collections from all Cursillo Masses and other donations, makes all deposits and balances checkbook. Treasurer picks up the bills and invoices from the PO Box located at the Quincy Post Office's Katherine Road location. Some invoices are received via email attachment. Maintains record of all vendors and corresponding invoices. Monitors bulk mailing account at the post office for mailing of the Fourth Day newsletter.

Once a month, the treasurer submits bank statements, check book and deposit records to Greg Wittland who prepares the monthly treasurer report for the board meeting.

If you feel called to serve in this volunteer position, please contact Mike Baker, Lay Director, at 217-299-5873

Receive Newsletter by Email

To help keep our newsletter mailing costs down, we are encouraging those that are receiving the newsletter through the mail to switch to email. Our annual cost for printing and mailing runs close to \$5,000 annually.

If this works for you, all you have to do is send an e-mail to: updateaddress@quincycursillo.com or call Hal Klaus at 618-973-4048 and tell him you want to change your newsletter subscription to e-mail. We'll take it from there.

MEN'S CURSILLO #341

Thursday, March 21

Registration 7:30-8:30 pm; Sponsors Hour 8:30 pm

Saturday, March 23

8:00 pm Mass and Apostolic Hour

Sunday, March 24

4:00 pm Closing and Mass

Cursillo Policy Reminders

1. **Cursillo is for "Adults Only."** Children are not to attend any of the Cursillo weekend functions. They are welcome at the Buddy Mass.
2. **No pictures or video are allowed at any time during a Cursillo weekend or at team meetings.**
3. Wear your crosses and/or name tags when coming to events during Cursillo weekends.
4. Serving meals - 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. Keep your cell phones out of the dining room while serving.
5. Palanca chapel - Sponsors and prayer buddies should spend an hour in the palanca chapel. Please write palanca letters to let your candidate or team member know you are supporting them in prayer.
6. For security, no one but candidates and team should be on the 3rd & 4th floors of the Retreat Center during a Cursillo weekend.