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Cursillo #342: April 25 – 28, 2019

Rectora: Judy Harmon

Theme: Be Strong..For The Lord Is With You Wherever You Go

Dear Cursillo Family,

Decolores and Wow!! What an AWESOME and HUMBLING journey this has been for me. I feel so truly Blessed that I have had this opportunity to lead the Team of #342 that God has chosen and put together. The journey has lead us through some potholes along our way. But through your prayers and palanca, our journey has made us to be Strong and Courageous, for we know that our God is with us wherever we go. And that, we can do all things through Christ, that strengthens us. We thank you all. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers.

Our theme for Cursillo #342 is "Be Strong....For The Lord Is With You Wherever You Go." Our scriptures for the weekend are - "Be Strong and Courageous! Do not be Afraid or Discouraged, for the Lord Your God is with You wherever You go" - Joshua 1:9 and "I can do all things through Christ which Strengthens Me" - Philipians 4:13. And our theme song is "In This Place."

I am proud to present the Cursillo Team of #342 to you: **Spiritual Director:** Fr. John Doctor, Quincy (Sacraments, Saturday 10 am); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Fr. Chris Comerford, Quincy (Grace, Friday 11:15 am), Fr. Mariadas Chatla, Carrollton, Ill. (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday 3 pm), Fr. James Wheeler, Quincy (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4 pm), and Deacon Terry Ellerman, Quincy (Christian Life, Sunday 10 am).

Assistant Rectoras: Pam Frericks, Quincy (Laity, Friday 1:30 pm), Lisa Dolan, Jerseyville, Ill. (Action, Saturday 3 pm), and Teresa Hays, Palmyra, Mo. (CCIA, Sunday, 11 am).

Rollistas: Kellie Steele, Roodhouse, Ill. (Ideals, Friday 10 am), Nancy Cobb, Montgomery City, Mo. (Piety, Friday, 6:45 pm), Karen Splaingard, Collinsville, Ill. (Study, Saturday 9 am), Katie Forrester, Jerseyville, Ill. (Leaders, Saturday, 7 pm) and Stacey Beeley, Jacksonville, Ill. (Environment, Sunday, 9 am).

Auxiliaries: Mary Lovell, Clarksville, Mo.; Pattie Pranger, Hamburg, Ill.; Gen Welschmeyer, Martinsburg, Mo.; Danielle Freie, Middletown, Mo.; Linda Manley, Highland, Ill.; Sandy Evans, Carrollton, Ill.; Mirtie Mashall, Jacksonville, Ill.; Lora Decker, Mt. Sterling, Ill.; and Sally Hodgson, Liberty, Ill.

Service Team: Donna Vogel, Quincy; Rebecca Boyce, Collinsville, Ill.; Katie Hembrough, Jacksonville, Ill.; Maureen Perry, Bowling Green, Mo.; Karen Dames, Palmyra, Mo.; and DeAnne Wickens, New London, Mo.

Food Service: Kathy Liesen, Teri Fessler, and Bernice Neisen, all from Quincy. **Sacristan:** Elaine Gray, Hamilton, Ill. **Musicians:** Cathleen Koch, Mt. Sterling, Ill. and Caren Busen, Timewell, Ill. **Observing Rectora:** Diane Powers, Ft. Madison, Ia. **Board Rep.:** Cheryl Wagner, Davenport, Ia. and **Rectora:** Judy Harmon, Roodhouse, Ill. (Group Reunion and Ultreya, Sunday 12 pm).

Our Buddy Mass has been changed to the Quincy Cursillo Francisan Retreat Center on April 14th at 2 pm. Please bring a dish to share, the table service will be provided. Please come to fellowship and break bread with us.

Please consider honoring the candidates and team by serving meals during the weekend of April 25 – 28. You would be a wonderful Blessing to the candidates, Please call Kathy Liesen (217-224-5431), Teri Fessler (217-316-0355), or Bernice Neisen (217-242-4468), or you can sign up at the Buddy Mass.

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 at the Buddy Mass, or online at 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.

Thank you again, and Blessings to all!
Judy Harmon, Rectora of Cursillo #342

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #342

April 14, 2019 at 2 pm
Francisan Retreat Center, Quincy, Ill.
Carry-in dinner following Mass

Men's Cursillo #343

June 9, 2019 at 2 pm
St. Anthony's Church, Quincy, Ill.
Carry in dinner following Mass

ULTREYAS

Lincoln County Ultreya

Saturday, March 30, 2019
Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, Mo.
Follows 5 pm Mass. Carry in meal.

Tri-State Area Ultreya

Friday, May 3, 2019
Quincy University Chapel, Quincy
Begins with Mass at 6:30 pm

Hannibal Area Ultreya

Saturday, May 4, 2019
Holy Family Parish, Hannibal, Mo.
Follows 5:30 pm Mass

Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, May 4, 2019
Our Saviour Parish, Admin Bldg.
Follows 4:30 pm Mass

Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, May 4, 2019
Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Morris Hall
Follow the 4:30 pm Mass

Martinsburg Area Ultreya

Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 6 pm
Martinsburg Community Room
Meat and drinks will be provided.
Please bring a dish to share.

Shelby County Ultreya

Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 6 pm
Fr. Buhman Center, Shelbina, Mo.
Carry-in dinner and Ultreya

Upcoming Cursillo Dates

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
February 20-23, 2020 - Doris Reid
March 26-29, 2020 - Damien McDonald

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #342

Thursday, April 25

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

Saturday, April 27

8:00 pm Mass and Apostolic Hour

Sunday, April 28

4:00 pm Closing and Mass

“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.

Thank You From #340

What an amazing weekend that is part of our transforming journey with Jesus! On behalf of Cursillo 340, thank you to the Cursillo family for all of the prayers and palanca. The Holy Spirit has been at work from calling His team, calling His candidates, and just flowing throughout the entire weekend.

It takes many hours to prepare for a Cursillo weekend, both for the team member AND their family. Thank you for all of the time, prayer, sacrifice, and sharing of your talent. The love of Jesus was shared and multiplied. The love of Jesus was also shared and multiplied by all of the acts of serving, prayers, palanca, letters, and the many other things that were taken care of.

Remember to stay rooted and continue to grow through Piety, Study, and Action. As we approach warmer weather and Spring, remember to look for the reminders of God’s transforming love as the beautiful butterflies return to the Spring and Summer flowers.

Many blessing to each of you!

Paula Gough, Rectora Cursillo 340

Lay Director Message

My Dear Cursillistas,

Cursillo #341 is in the books - #342 is around the corner. Time and events move on. Do we? What are we holding on to in our habits, in those thoughts in the back of our mind or some past event we just won’t let go of.

We need to take to heart what Jesus taught. He forgave and it was forever forgotten - Gone. He calls us to move to a better understanding of Him and a more mature understanding of who we are. The time to do this is Lent. Let’s use this period in our faith journey that the Church provides us to become the free-loving and spirit-filled child of God that he created in His image and likeness. If it is behind you leave it - Move on - Heaven awaits - No baggage accepted.

May the peace of Christ Jesus our Lord be with each and every one of us.

De Colores,

Mike Baker, Lay Director

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through link at:
quincycursillo.com

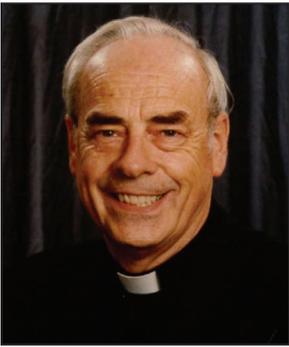
Cursillo #341

“I Have Called You By Name - You Are Mine”



Front row, left to right: Jared Holbrook, Brian Forrester, Ray Wheeler, Tom Meehan, Thomas Meehan, Larry Bork, BJ Menne, Chuck Amburg, Greg Wittland, Matt Harmon, Mike Holbrook, Greg Andrews, Dave Ferrill. **Row 2:** Carl Thompson, Father John Doctor, OFM, Brad Vacca, Father Chuck Edwards. **Row 3:** Brad Jun, David Nord, Evan Hurst, Terry Wilson, David Moore, Gary Goetten, Terry Taul, Chris Slone, Mike Sharpe, Aron Lee, Bobby Bonjean, Amos Pitzer, Chad Sanders, George Schultz. **Row 4:** Joe Travers, Joe Heneghan, Samuel Welbourne, David Brinker, Steve Wellbourne, Scott Hunter, Andy Wilkinson, John Myers II, Michael Panther, Sam Vranjes, Bill Wellbourne, Tim Pranger, Pete Tucker. **Row 5:** Steve Lammers, Bryan Hercules, Bob Zeller, Jim Lake, David Harmon, Mike McMahon, Joe Darnell, Mike Lucchetti, Kevin Arthaud, Bob Barko, Kyle Robison, Tim Flinn, Joel Mixer. **Row 6:** Josh Purdy, Scott Smith, Steve Smith, Ken Schafer, Scott Marshall, Jordan Meehan, Mark Huber, Harold Kallal, Jim Kalmer, Mark Johnson, Jeff McPeek, Ron Massman, Tanner Wittland, Ryan Klauser, Ron Chostner, Larry Welsh, Rick Davis, Deacon Bob Leake

In Memoriam - Fr. Edward Doyle



Father Edward Doyle, 82, a retired priest of the Jefferson City diocese, died peacefully on March 3, 2019 after a lengthy illness.

Fr. Doyle served Cursillo faithfully as Spiritual Director on numerous weekends from 1982 through 1991 and lastly in 2010 on #267. During this time he was pastor at St. Clement Parish in Bowling Green 1978-87 and Immaculate Conception Parish Montgomery City and Church of the Resurrection Parish in Wellsville 1987-1992 and encouraged many from those parishes to attend Cursillo. May he rest in peace good and faithful servant.

Why does the Husband have to go first?

Short answer: It's a calculated risk.

The Longer answer: Cursillo is often confused with a retreat. But there is a big difference between a retreat and Cursillo. A Retreat is a weekend of reflection and once the retreat is over, a person goes back to their lives similar to returning from a small vacation. But Cursillo is a method to spiritual growth.

The Cursillo Method requires an on-going, active participation to be effective. (which is discussed fully on the weekend). It is preferred that a married couple both attend a Cursillo weekend. It can actually be damaging to the marriage if **both** the husband and wife do not attend a Cursillo, most especially if the on-going, Post-Cursillo participation is followed afterwards. And if the Post-Cursillo participation is not followed, it's really no different than any other retreat you may wish to participate in.

We want both the husband and wife to attend Cursillo to grow together, in Christ, rather than apart. The question becomes how do you accomplish that? It is telling that we almost never hear the question from a husband, "Why can't my wife just go without me?" the question we receive is from the wife asking, "Why does my husband have to go first?" Usually the wife is already in a desirous position to attend. Likewise, after attending a Cursillo, men usually leave with a confidence that they will be able to convince a reluctant wife to go. But a wife with a reluctant husband tends to worry that he, and therefore she, will never attend. In this respect, it is a calculated risk that the best way to get both the husband and wife to attend is to require that the husband attend first.

We also understand that Cursillo is not required for salvation. It would be quite arrogant of us to think it is. There are many different spiritual paths that will deepen one's faith, and Cursillo is a great path but it is not the only path. So, while we wish all to attend, we understand that some simply will not be able to. If you have a strong desire to attend Cursillo and fear that your spouse will never ever attend a Cursillo, then we ask you to pray for your spouse and to be a humble, loving example of Jesus Christ to your loved one, that you may eventually win them over. We have witnessed this example from wives, too many times to enumerate, and the conversion is always powerful and worth the wait. We would encourage you to read the story of St Monica for inspiration and to pray without ceasing. Don't give up on your spouse. God hasn't given up and neither should you.

We should also add that historically Cursillo was started with the goal of getting men to awaken their faith. Eduardo Bonin and a team of laymen in Spain started Cursillo, back in the 1940's, specifically because they realized there were no longer any men in the churches of Spain. It was a common thought at the time, that religion was a "woman thing" and that to be masculine, was to be outside the church. In fact, it never even occurred to these men at first to have Cursillo's for women, as it was not deemed necessary. Eventually of course it evolved, as all things do, and husbands fresh off Cursillo wanted to share this experience with their wives. In time, Cursillo's for women were started and thrived but we have not wandered far in our main goal to increase the spiritual growth of men in the church. We believe that by increasing the spiritual growth of men we create Christian leaders in the home to support Christian families.

Finally: Though rare, there are a few exceptions that we have made, in the case of a terminal illness or due to various mental incapacities, we may allow a married person to attend knowing their spouse will never attend.

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Cursillo Name Tags

When ordering name tags, please keep these points in mind:

- Name tags should **not** be ordered until the candidate actually makes the weekend.
- Name tags must be paid for when ordered.
- Name tags can be mailed if postage is paid when ordering
- The name tag committee is available on Saturday night only; table is set up in the lobby outside the main chapel; or you may contact the Name Tag Committee, Billie Huebotter at 217-430-4406 or email: mhuebotter22@hotmail.com.

Book of Remembrance

As a way to remember those who have passed from this life to be with Christ, we want to remind you of Quincy Cursillo's "Book of Remembrance". This book includes the names of our deceased Cursillistas and is presented at each Cursillo weekend Mass so that they may benefit from our prayers of intercession.

If you would like to have a loved one's name placed in our Book of Remembrance, we need three pieces of information:

1. Name of the deceased;
2. Cursillo number (if known);
3. Date of death.

Please e-mail this information to Mike Holbrook at: holbrook6@gmail.com or call Mike at 217-653-5555.

If your deceased family member was also involved with TEC, please provide their name to Jerry Eberhardt by e-mailing: jae12@comcast.net or call 217-222-5333.

What you need to know about being on a Cursillo team

The call to be on a team implies the need for a good deal of dedication and commitment -- commitment to the rector or rectora, to the team, the candidates, the Cursillo Movement and most of all to Christ. Those commitments require us to attend all 7 team meetings, possibly prepare a talk, preview all of the rollo's, help the rector/rectora and the assistants, and to be open to the candidates and their needs on the weekend.

You can submit a team application upon completion of your initial Cursillo weekend but you will need to wait one year before your name will become available. Once you have been on a team, you will again need to wait one year before being called again. This is so others have the opportunity to serve.

If you have submitted your team application and it has been awhile, be aware that we have a long list of applicants. You will be called in God's time. If you need to update your phone number since sending in your application or if you are using only a cell phone now, contact the Team Applications Committee Dennis & Connie Hoyt at 217-224-2322 or choyt@comcast.net. We frequently have difficulty reaching people because of inaccurate phone numbers.

Quote for Contemplation

Did I offer peace today? Did I bring a smile to someone's face? Did I say words of healing? Did I let go of my anger and resentment? Did I forgive? Did I love? These are the real questions. I must trust that the little bit of love that I sow now will bear many fruits, here in this world and the life to come.

Henri Nouwen