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Cursillo #344: July 11-14, 2019

Rectora: Diane Powers

Theme: "God Has A Plan For You Paved With His Grace"

Dear Cursillo Family,

I've read so many of these since my first Cursillo and one word recurs time and time again.....humbling. And that word is perfectly spot on as this experience is incredibly humbling. From the time one is asked to be rectora or rector, to putting the team together, to navigating the roadblocks that invariably pop up, through all the preparation, to all the prayer, palanca and love that is showered upon you. It is simply.....humbling.

My Cursillo journey began over 25 years ago and it had enough of an effect that I wanted to be part of a team. It really never occurred to me that one day I would be that person asked to be a rectora. I just kept saying "yes" because of a desire to serve. So many emotions - disbelief, fear, anxiousness, acceptance, humility....and this all came full circle because of.....GRACE. My journey has been a path of grace because "GOD HAS A PLAN FOR YOU PAVED WITH HIS GRACE". So many times I questioned but was reminded in 2 Corinthians 12:8-9 "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness" and in Ephesians 2:8-9 "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you it is a gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast". Our theme song is "Your Grace Is Enough" because it is. The team of Cursillo 344 has such an awareness of God's grace and has been preparing to serve the candidates being called. The prayers and palanca of you, our Cursillo family, have lifted and strengthened us. We thank you for your continued prayers, attending the Buddy Mass, spending time in the palanca chapel and mostly for the candidates you've invited to experience Jesus Christ.

With this I present the fabulous team God has chosen for Cursillo #344: **Spiritual Director:** Fr. Tony Trosley, Nauvoo (Sacraments, Saturday 10 am); **Assistant Spiritual Directors:** Fr. John Doctor (Grace, Friday 11:15 am) and Msgr. Mike Kuse (Holy Spirit/Divine Aid, Friday 3 pm) both of Quincy; Fr. Steve Thompson, Mt. Sterling (Obstacles to Grace, Saturday 4 pm); and Deacon Dan Moffitt, Nauvoo (Christian Life, Sunday 10 am).

Assistant Rectoras: Joan Haubrich, Quincy (Piety, Fri. 6:45 pm); Lisa Longmeyer, Rockbridge, IL (Leaders, Sat. 7 pm); Nancy Vens, Mt. Pleasant, IA (Laity, Fri. 1:30 pm).

Rollistas: Denise Fogle, Hannibal, MO (Ideal, Friday 10 am); Julie Long Catlett, Paloma, IL (Action, Saturday 3 pm); Laura Evans, Camp Point, IL (Environment, Sunday 9 am); Milly Golemo, Hamilton, IL (CCIA, Sunday 11 am); Therese Hayes, Nauvoo, IL (Study, Saturday 9 am).

Auxiliaries: Tina Barbee-Hagan, Hannibal, MO; Clare Carmody, Springfield, IL; Nicole Doyle; Brenda Phillips; Renee Volk; Katrina Casper; Tina Ehrhart; Jenna Lannerd, all of Quincy, and Sara Reichert, Liberty, IL.

Service Team: Marcia Becker, Laddonia, MO; Donna Gengenbacher, Ft. Madison, IA; Patti Runge, Keokuk, IA; Sharon Phillips, Mayfield, MO; Laura Greenwell, Shelbina, MO.

Food Service: Jill Kelly & Kathleen Xamis, Quincy; Kara Harris, Carlinville, IL. **Sacristan:** Patty Marshall, Dallas City, IL. **Musician:** Nikki Keller, St. Louis, MO. **Observing Rectora:** Mary Koch, Mt. Sterling, IL. **Board Rep:** Chris Duvall, Quincy; **Rectora:** Diane Powers, Ft. Madison, IA (Group Reunion and Ultreya, Sunday 12 pm).

The entire team of Cursillo #344 and I invite you all to lift us in prayer and thanksgiving at our Buddy Mass held at Holy Family Parish, SS Mary & Joseph's Church, 1111 Avenue E, Ft. Madison, IA on July 7 at 2 pm. A carry-in dinner will follow across the street from the church at McAleer Hall. Please bring a dish to share - meat, drinks and table service will be provided. Please join us for food & fun!

We are all called to serve one another and with that thought, please consider serving meals during the weekend of July 11 - 14. The team and candidates would be incredibly blessed by your service.

Prayer is paramount in each Cursillo. Please help in filling the Palanca Chart prior to the weekend itself by signing up online at quincycursillo.com, sign up at the Buddy Mass, or by contacting Bob Gough at bobgough1966@yahoo.com or 217-577-8044. If you haven't already, invite someone to be a candidate so our team can share Jesus. Also join the Cursillo Family in supporting the candidates & team at Mass on Saturday at 8 pm or the closing Mass on Sunday at 4 p.m. to welcome the newest Cursillistas.

Peace & grace,

Diane Powers, Rectora, Cursillo #344

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Women's Cursillo #344

July 7, 2019 at 2 pm

Holy Family Parish St. Mary & St. Joseph
1111 Avenue E, Ft. Madison, Iowa
Carry-in dinner following Mass

Men's Cursillo #345

September 15, 2019 at 2 pm

St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish, Carlinville, IL
Carry in dinner following Mass

ULTREYAS

Tri-State Area Ultreya

Friday, July 19, 2019

Quincy University Chapel, Quincy
Begins with Mass at 6:30 pm

Hannibal Area Ultreya

Saturday, July 20, 2019

Holy Family Parish, Hannibal, Mo.
Follows 5:30 pm Mass

Jacksonville Area Ultreya

Saturday, July 20, 2019

Our Saviour Parish, Upper Room
Follows 4:30 pm Mass

Collinsville Area Ultreya

Saturday, July 20, 2019

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Morris Hall
Follow the 4:30 pm Mass

Southeast Iowa Ultreya

Saturday, July 20, 2019

St. Mary Parish, Fairfield, Iowa
After 5:30 Mass - Carry in meal Parish Hall

Upcoming Cursillo Dates

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
April 23-26, 2020 - Teresa Bennett
June 4-7, 2020 - Dave Ferrill
July 9-12, 2020 - Beth Shade
September 17-20, 2020 - Dan Brink
November 5-8, 2020 - Linda Keller

FOURTH DAY RENEWAL

December 6-7, 2019

Director: Gary Mast

For more information and to
Register online go to quincycursillo.com

WOMEN'S CURSILLO #344

Thurs. July 11- Registration 7:30-8:30 pm
Sat. July 13 - Mass 8:00 pm
Sun. July 14 - Closing and Mass 4:00 pm

Change in Food Service & Menu

The Cursillo Board made the decision to discontinue the Food Service Sign-up process. They want to encourage all that are eligible to come and serve meals during a weekend. However, spouses, sponsors, and immediate family of anyone on the weekend may **not** serve that weekend. Spouses of team members are eligible to serve the final Sunday lunch.

Servers are asked to avoid intentional mingling with the team and candidates during meals. This is their time for fellowship with each other. Also please keep your cell phones out of the dining room while serving.

The board has also made some adjustments to the menu to include some healthier options.

SAVE THE DATE

Rectora Retreat

September 14th, 2019

1850 Guest House, Dallas City, Ill.

Open to all past Rectoras.

Notice of Annual Meeting

There will be an Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 7 pm in the Retreat Center conference room.

Newly elected board members will be seated and a report of this past year's activities will be presented. This meeting takes the place of the regular monthly board meeting and is open to anyone that has attended a Cursillo.

Changed Phone Numbers?

We continue to have issues with phone numbers that are no longer accurate. If you want to be called to serve on a team, you need to keep your information up-to-date.

If you no longer wish to serve on a Cursillo team and would like to have your application inactivated, please contact us. Our rector/a's are leaving a lot of phone messages and they never get a return call. Please return phone calls to tell them "yes" or "no" to their request to serve on team.

To update or to check to see if your information is correct, contact the team application committee, Dennis & Connie Hoyt, at 217-224-2322 or email: choyt@comcast.net.

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

Cursillo 343



Front row, left to right: John Little, Mark Kennedy, Mike Wolfmeyer, Greg Andrews, Jerry Witthaus, Dave Welschmeyer. **Row 2:** Tim Serbin, Joe Kohlrus, Ryan Kent, Dick Mitchell, Jr., Jim Bross, James Abbott, Russ Seibers, Eric Andrews. **Row 3:** Robb Mudd, Chris Heintz, Benjamin Foppe, Ron Kelly, Brian Vahlkamp, Steve Carr, Aaron Clark. **Row 4:** David Waterkotte, Greg Flachs, Cary Gray, Casey Ragar, Brian Spears, Scott Splaingard, Steve Grawe, Matt Boudreau, David Boster, Dennis Boudreau. **Row 5:** Caleb Andrews, Devin Cashman, Carl Erd, Jack Freiburg II, Ray Genenbacher, Kent Buckman, Will Friday, Brandon Miles, Chuck Bolsen, Marvin Meservey, Fr. Tom Donovan

Lay Director's Message

Donkey or the Holy Spirit : Who's job is it?

This will be two parts. The idea came from one of Fr. John Doctor's homilies. Yes, the Holy Spirit does guide us (we the church). How well do we listen and act on His guidance? We have all used the phrase "The Holy Spirit will take care of it". Really?

Now back to the donkey. On Palm Sunday a beast of burden (a donkey) carried Jesus into Jerusalem to what would be His trial, scourging, and crucifixion. This is not about our death but our roll as a Cursillista to carry Jesus into our environment. In the devils eye we are "the beast". We are his enemy. Our job during our Fourth Day is to change our environment any way we can, asking any and all to attend a Cursillo. In other words carry Jesus to all we meet. Be an example to those around us especially our family. Don't be shy about asking just do it and then the Holy Spirit will come and help with the harvest of souls . We are the eyes, ears, mouth and feet of Christ here on earth. As St. John Paul II said "be not afraid". So go forth and ask.

De Colores and God Bless
Mike Baker, Lay Director

Cursillo Board Election - Candidate Bios

It's time to choose new Cursillo Board members to replace those whose term expires in August.

This past year, the Cursillo Board voted to change the number of board members from 10 to 8. Therefore, this election we will only be choosing two board members, one man and one woman, to replace the four that are retiring. Board members who are retiring are BJ Menne, John Little, Chris Duvall and Cheryl Wagner. We thank them for their service and commitment to Cursillo these last three years.

All Cursillista's are urged to prayerfully consider the following nominees to serve a three-year term. A ballot is available on the back page for mailing and ballots will also be available during the June and July Cursillo activities.

MEN

Vernon Korte

- St. Clement Parish, Bowling Green, Mo.
- Rector #215 in March 2004
- Cursillo Board 2005-08, Knights of Columbus, TEC
- Semi-retired farmer

John Runge

- All Saints Catholic Church, Keokuk, IA
- Rector #114 in 1991
- Eucharistic minister, lector, greeter, guitar group, 9th grade faith formation, TEC, CEW, Diocesan evangelization program, Cursillo Board 2007-08, Cursillo Lay Director 2009-11
- Construction Co. foreman, farmer, custom work

Greg Wittland

- Blessed Sacrament Parish, Quincy, IL
- Rector #307 in January 2015
- Usher, Eucharistic Minister, Server at Morning Mass, Stewardship Committee
- Owner of financial planning firm Encompass Life & Wealth Strategies

WOMEN

Jill Mason Kelly

- Blessed Sacrament Parish, Quincy, Ill.
- Rectora #292 in February 2013
- Lector, Communion Minister, Stewardship Council, Funeral Ministries
- Retired Chief Nursing Officer Blessing Hospital

Patty Marshall

- Sacred Heart Parish, Dallas City, Ill.
- Rectora #228 in July 2005
- Cursillo Board 2011-2014, Lector, Youth Leader, Parish Council, Communion Minister, Spiritual Formation Group
- Innkeeper at 1850 Guest House, Dallas City, Ill.

Ann O'Sullivan

- Holy Family Parish, Mt. Sterling IL
- Rectora on #220 in October 2004
- Lector, Eucharistic Minister, PSR Coordinator
- Registered Professional Nurse, Retired Assistant Dean, Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing and Health Sciences; Adjunct Professor Illinois College

Quote for Contemplation

"Dare to love and to be a real friend. The love you give and receive is a reality that will lead you closer and closer to God as well as those whom God has given you to love."

— Henri J.M. Nouwen

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES

Next Board Meeting
July 16, 2019 at 7 p.m.
Retreat Center Conference Room

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2019 CURSILLO BOARD ELECTION BALLOT

The Cursillo Family is asked to cast a vote for **ONE** of the following MEN and **ONE** of the following WOMEN candidates who will serve for three years beginning in August 2019. Cast only one ballot per Cursillista.

Please give prayerful consideration to the qualifications of candidates.
Brief bio's are available on page 3 of this newsletter.

MEN	WOMEN	MEN	WOMEN
<input type="checkbox"/> Vernon Korte	<input type="checkbox"/> Jill Mason Kelly	<input type="checkbox"/> Vernon Korte	<input type="checkbox"/> Jill Mason Kelly
<input type="checkbox"/> John Runge	<input type="checkbox"/> Patty Marshall	<input type="checkbox"/> John Runge	<input type="checkbox"/> Patty Marshall
<input type="checkbox"/> Greg Wittland	<input type="checkbox"/> Ann O'Sullivan	<input type="checkbox"/> Greg Wittland	<input type="checkbox"/> Ann O'Sullivan

INSTRUCTIONS

Cast only one ballot per Cursillista.
Mail your ballot to:
Mike Baker, 3704 Columbus Rd., Quincy, IL 62305

Ballots will also be available during the June and July Cursillo weekend activities.

YOUR BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 14, 2019

Ballots received after this date will not be counted.