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Cursillo #359: March 23-26, 2023

Rector: Jeff Shade Theme: He > Me

Beloved Cursillo Family,

De Colores! What a journey this has been! It seems like every time you read this newsletter, the Rector or Rectora says what a humbling experience this is. I would have to agree; I am so incredibly humbled and thankful for the opportunity to lead Cursillo #359.

I have been truly blessed by the best with this team. The Holy Spirit has been at work, not only in bringing this team together, but also in the witness of these men.

The theme for Cursillo #359 is "He>Me." The theme song for the weekend is "Less Like Me", by contemporary Christian artist Zach Williams. I encourage you to give a listen. Our scripture is John 3:30, "He must increase, I must decrease." My prayer for all of us is that we become less focused on ourselves and more focused on being Christ in the world.

It is my honor and privilege to get to introduce you to the team of Cursillo #359: **Friday Rollos:**

10:00 am Ideal - Pete Keane (Rollista), Quincy

11:15 am Grace- Fr. Hyland Smith (Assistant Spiritual Director), Jerseyville, IL

1:30 pm Laity in the Church - Ted Genenbacher (Rollista), Fowler, IL

3:00 pm Holy Spirit Divine Aid - Deacon Dennis Holbrook (Asst. Sp. Dir.), Quincy 6:45 pm Piety - Tyler May (Assistant Rector), Macon, MO

Saturday Rollos:

9:00 am Study - Matt Heldt (Rollista), Mt. Sterling, IL

10:00 am Sacraments - Fr. Steven Arisman (Spiritual Director), Quincy, IL

3:00 pm Action - Jared Holbrook (Assistant Rector), Quincy, IL

4:15 pm Obstacles to Grace - Fr. John Doctor (Assistant Sp. Director), Quincy, IL

7:00 pm Leaders - Marty Marr (Rollista), Jacksonville, IL

Sunday Rollos:

9:00 am Environment - Scott Harris (Rollista), Carlinville, IL

10:15 am Christian Life - Deacon Bob Leake (Assistant Spiritual Director), St. Louis 11:30 am Christian Community in Action - Tim Serbin (Asst. Rector), Palmyra, MO 12:45 pm Group Reunion & Ultryea - Jeff Shade (Rector), Jacksonville, IL

1:30 pm - A Woman's Perspective - Beth Shade, Jacksonville, IL

Auxiliaries: Chad Beeley, Jacksonville, IL; James Bellm, Carlinville, IL; Ross Brockhouse, Virginia, IL; Robert Catalpa, Hannibal, MO; Randy Edwards, Murrayville, IL; Drew Eilerman, Raymond, IL; Scott Jones, White Hall, IL; Terry Woodring, Jerseville, IL; and Patrick Verstaete, Collinsville, IL.

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Food Service: Adam Blaue, Wellsville, MO; Jim Cramsey, Quincy; Regan Joehl, Greenfield, IL; Denny Schumacher, Jacksonville, IL.

Sacristan: B.J. Menne, Troy, MO; **Musician:** Paddy Keller, White Hall, IL; **Board Representative:** Dennis Cobb; **Observing Rectora:** Mike May, Jacksonville.

The Buddy Mass for Cursillo #359 will be held on Sunday, March 19, 2023, at 2:00 at the Church of Our Saviour in Jacksonville. A carry-in will follow at the KC Hall located at 320 East State. Meat and table service will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.

Your continued prayers and palanca are greatly appreciated. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to place upon your heart the names of men to invite to Cursillo #359 and pray for open hearts for those invited to attend. To sign up for the Palanca Chapel or to serve meals, please go to the Quincy Cursillo website.

With love and gratitude,

Jeff Shade, Rector

To Sign up for Palanca and Serving Meals Follow links at: www.quincycursillo.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUDDY MASS

Men's Cursillo #359 March 19, 2023 at 2:00 pm Our Saviour Church, Jacksonville, IL

Women's Cursillo #360 April 16, 2023 at 2:00 pm Blessed Sacrament Parish, Quincy, IL

ULTREYAS

Tri-State Area Ultreya Friday, February 24, 2023 Quincy University Chapel, Quincy Begins with Mass at 6:30 pm

Jacksonville Area Ultreya Saturday, February 25, 2023 Our Saviour Parish, Admin Bldg. Follows 4:30 pm Mass

Martinsburg Area Ulreya Saturday, February 25, 2023 Martinsburg Community Room Follows 4 pm Saturday Mass Meat and drinks provided Please bring dish to share

Hannibal Area Ultreya Saturday, February 25, 2023 St. Michael's Hall following 4 pm Mass Hannibal, MO

Southeast Iowa Ultreya

Saturday, February 25, 2023 St. Mary Church - Fairfield Begins with 5:30 pm Mass Please bring a dish to share Meat and drinks will be provided

Lincoln County Ultreya Saturday, March 4, 2023 Sacred Heart Parish, Troy, MO Follows 5 pm Mass

MEN'S CURSILLO #359

Thursday March 23 Sponsors Hour 7:30 - 8:30 pm

> Saturday March 25 Mass 8:00 pm

Sunday March 26 Closing and Mass 4:00 pm

Fourth Day Renewal - March 10-11 Theme: Soften Our Hearts, Lord!

As we make time to renew our hearts and minds during Lent 2023, the team of Fourth Day Renewal #39 invites you to join us for 24 hours of renewal and time with Jesus. The scripture is "If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts" Psalm 95:7-8 and our theme is "Soften Our Hearts, Lord!" Please prayerfully consider joining us March 10 – 11, 2023.

A Fourth Day Renewal is a 24-hour experience for anyone that has attended a Cursillo weekend. It is a relaxed, co-ed experience offering an opportunity to renew and develop your spirituality and your commitment to living the Christian life.

Fourth Day Renewal begins on Friday evenings at 7 pm and ends on Saturday evening at 7 pm. It is held at the Franciscan Retreat Center. The first evening of the renewal weekend begins with introspection and quiet focusing on the individual through self-reflection and reconciliation. The second day moves from the individual relationship with God (Piety) into relationship with Community (Study and Action). The Fourth Day Renewal concludes with the call to continue the journey.

Your full registration fee of \$50 per person will be due upon arrival Friday evening. The fee covers one night stay at the Retreat Center, two meals and supplies. A Fourth Day Renewal is open to men and women, singles and couples – anyone that has attended a Cursillo.

Team members for the Renewal include: Director Paula Gough, Shelbina, MO; Spiritual Director Fr. Gerald Kaimann, Palmyra; Ann O'Sullivan, Mt. Sterling, IL; Nancy Weede, Tim Bealor, Russ Rohrer, Dave Hummel, all of Quincy, IL; Marie and Doug Baker, Palmyra, MO; Nancy Blaue, Wellsville, MO; Damian McDonald, Mendon, IL and Scott Gough, Shelbina, MO.

Register online at: www.quincycursillo.com and look under the Applications tab.

Thank You From Cursillo #357

DeColores!

Thank you to God and the Cursillo family from Men's Cursillo #357. Your prayers, palanca, and letters helped make Cursillo #357 a weekend everyone will remember for the rest of our lives. We have 36 new Cursillistas joining the growing Cursillo family. God has been blessing Cursillo #357 since October 16, 2022, when the team members and their wives were blessed to celebrate Mass together. We knew God was with us from that day forward.

Candlelight was truly amazing, especially with the Cursillo family down the hallway to the stairs leading up from the conference room. What an impression that made! I continue to pray that the new members will spread the theme of Cursillo #357 - God is first. Others are second. I am third.

Thank you again! GOD Bless you! Pat Greenwell, Rector Cursillo #357

"Unless there is a Good Friday in your life, there can be no Easter Sunday."

Fulton Sheen

Cursillo #358



Row 1, left to right: Jill Kelly, Deacon John Wagner, Fr. John Stack, Margaret Little, Nancy Goetten, Rhonda Cors, Kathy Lohman, Sr. Marilyn Jean Runkel. Row 2: Giny Baker, Chris Wiemelt, Kandi Schulte, Meg Lorton, Karen Marruffo, Cathy Wagner, Susie Reed, Shari Barnish, Laurie Brink, Libby Cody, Paulette Freiburg, Delana Becker. Row 3: Natasha Riebold, Emily Tadeo, Stephanie Donaldson, Ginger Bjornson, Jolinn Tripp, Emily Mason, Susie Meyer, Sharon Lauer, Marla Frese, Mary Jane Davis, Diane Powers, Rose Marie Beeley. Row 4: Pam Frericks, Lee Ann Landmann, Carol Burkemper, Kathy Ottensmeier, Susan Dunn, Jennie McDermott, Mary Gray, Emily Thomeczek, Jessica Thomeczek, Susan Holtkamp, Toni Turner, Laura Smith, Katie Forrester. Row 5: Corinne Briscoe, Jennifer Grote, Alexis Darnell, Lisa Engelke, Maria Cox, Mary Beth Strassner, Sara Reichert, Brenda Phillips, Becky Winking, Teresa Fields, Carrie Cole, Janey Menne, Deacon Ron Deimeke.

Lay Director's Message

You may be a long time Cursillista or someone that just recently made your first weekend. In either case, you will find that there are several constants in the Cursillo method that are faith giving and renewing, allowing you to grow deeper in your faith and closer to Christ. Each team member puts their own fingerprint on the weekend and brings their unique gifts allowing no two teams or experiences to be alike. Wherever you are on your faith journey, Cursillo has something for you. You will never experience your first weekend again but you can continue to grow into a deeper relationship with Jesus with every weekend you experience as a team member, or as a sponsor, or serving the team and candidates in some way.

The Cursillo weekend, grounded in a tried and true method, allows candidates to experience Christ through the love and palanca of the Cursillo family. The ongoing metanoia that happens is a great mystery and we are blessed to be a part of this movement. It is truly part of that mystery that allows each and every participant, whether you are praying for the weekend, sponsoring a candidate, serving meals, a team member or on your knees in the palanca chapel, you have the opportunity to encounter Christ every time! Every time! What a gift. Treasure that gift regardless of your part in a weekend. No small prayer, no small sacrifice is ever wasted!

We are ready to announce the 2024 weekend dates, the Rectors and Rectoras and ask for prayer as the Quincy Cursillo moves forward into its 50th year here in Quincy.

- #365 January 18-21 Ross Dames
- #366 February 15-18 Teri Fessler
- #367 March 21-24 Jim Aschemann
- #368 April 18-21 Rita Frese
- #369 June 20-23 Gabe Vanderbol
- #370 July 18-21 Marie Baker
- #371 September 12-15 Scott Splaingard
- #372 November 7-10 Sue Scully

Lent has begun and many increase their prayer and other sacrifices as part of their Lenten practices. I ask you to keep Cursillo, keep all those that take part in any way and especially keep those yet to say yes to being a candidate in your prayers. Let us join our hearts and lift Cursillo up asking that God continue to lead us as we seek to do His will.

Please come and take part in Cursillo. The board meetings are at 6:30 pm on the 3rd Tuesday each month in the conference room. You may attend Sponsors Hour, Candlelight Mass, Closing Mass during a weekend. You can pray in the chapel, serve in the kitchen and /or write letters. It takes a lot of small sacrifices and you are invited!

I am praying for you every day! I know you are praying for one another too! Prayer is a great privilege and an awesome gift God has given us.

Romans 8:28 "We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose."

Pat Holbrook, Lay Director

Palanca Chapel Signup

The Palanca Chapel at the Retreat Center is open to all Cursillista's for prayer opening at 7 am and closing at 9 pm. We would like for someone to be present at all times in the chapel, however, if you cannot come to Quincy, we continue to encourage you to pray from your home or local church. No matter where you are praying, we ask that you sign up on the online Palanca Chart so we know that all of the hours are covered. If an hour is not covered, team members will need to cover those hours.

The Board set the time that the Retreat Center is open to help secure the building at night. This also allows those from a distance to help cover the late night hours from home.

Palanca Chapel signup is available through a link on the Quincy Cursillo home page: www.quincycursillo.com. If you have any difficulties using the signup, there is a link on the signup page to send a message for assistance.

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Quincy Cursillo Mission Statement

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

2023 Cursillo Dates And Rector/as

April 20-23, 2023 - Christine Wiemelt June 22-25, 2023 - Mike May July 27-30, 2023 - Pam Eftink September 14-17, 2023 - Dan Brink November 2-5, 2023 - Brenda Berry

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, Nancy Weede 217-740-3993 or email: sjkt13579@yahoo.com.

There are a lot of name tags that were ordered but never picked up. Please stop by the name tag table on Saturday evening and if you see a name tag of someone you know and can deliver to them, please do so.

Ultreya's

There are numerous opportunities to attend an Ultreya in February. The locations and times are listed on the front page. Ultreya's are excellent opportunities to connect with other Cursillistas from your area. For those not familiar with Ultreya's, this is a time of fellowship, sharing and of course there is usually food. Come and share how Jesus is working in your life.

Not Getting Called to Be on Team? Does Your Team Application Need Updating?

If you've changed your phone number or cancelled your landline since you were last on a Cursillo weekend, please remember to update your team application. Rectors and Rectoras often times are not able to reach someone becauses the number is no longer in service. And if you do get called, please return their call promptly - they have a limited amount of time to get their team together.

Our team applications coordinators are: Phil & Brenda Leatherman. They can be contacted by phone at: 573-588-2523 or email: littleaz78@yahoo.com.

Serving Meals

We encourage anyone that is eligible to serve meals on a Cursillo weekend. It is a great way to stay involved and meet others.

A signup chart with meal times is available online on the Cursillo website: quincycursillo.com Opportunties on Friday are limited to helping in the kitchen/dishwasher area. This is open to anyone, male or female.

Saturday and Sunday servers are needed in the dining room and in the kitchen/dishwasher area.

We would like to have individuals interested in serving to signup so we know how many to expect. But if you find that you can come at the last minute, you can still serve without signing up.

We ask that sponsors, spouses and close family members of candidates and team not serve. The exception is the Sunday afternoon meal when team member spouses or family can serve.

When you sign up to serve meals, you will also be asked to help set up and clean up after the meal. The Food Service team will tell you what needs to be done.

This is a great way to serve the candidates and offer palanca for them.