

# Crawford County Cursillo Newsletter

## *Living our Fourth Day*

March 2021

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### **COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO! HERE'S SOMETHING NEW!!!!**

Crawford County is going to host its own, very first ever, LIVE VIRTUAL ULTREYA! We have purchased a Zoom license and will hold the Ultreya via your laptop or computer. The date is MARCH 12, 2021, at 7:00p.m. It will be divided into three parts; A meditation on PIETY by Deacon Kevin Harmon, information and updates, and discussion and socialization. It will probably be about an hour in length. We are asking everyone to send your e-mail address to Bill at [williamstumpf@zoominternet.net](mailto:williamstumpf@zoominternet.net) so we can send you the link via e-mail. This will also help us update our email mailing list. If you do not get an electronic newsletter from Crawford County, please email Dan at [dlukowich@gmail.com](mailto:dlukowich@gmail.com) and he will send you the link. We are also asking that if you know a Cursillista who does not have a computer, please invite them to share the Ultreya with you. We will attempt to hold another Ultreya on April 9, 2021 at 7:00, and every 2nd Friday of the month afterwards. Every Ultreya will require a new link. Here's the information for the first one:

Topic: Crawford County Ultreya

Time: Mar 12, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81013406736?pwd=aG5Xa1FCS2RmcmY4ODkxL3dqUHZxUT09>

Meeting ID: 810 1340 6736

Passcode: 431994

***BE SURE TO SEND YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS TO BILL SO THAT YOU CAN RECIEVE THE LINKS TO FUTURE ULTREYAS!***

### **The Dates for Cursillo in 2021**

The out-of-town Cursillo weekends have been cancelled for this year, and the new tentative target goal is the October Women's weekend at Our Lady of Mercy. The dates are as follows: Women's # 258 October 21-24 at OLM and Men's # 251 November 18-21 OLM. Why not start looking for and stocking up on Palanca items right now, so that you have them ready when the Weekends happen!

### **Special Invite!**

\*\*\*Everyone is invited to attend a Memorial Mass for Fr. Dan Arnold. It will be held March 20, 2021 at 4 p.m. Mass at Holy Rosary (2701 East Ave, Erie, PA 16504). Due to Covid-19 we will not have a gathering afterwards. We are able to worship together and honor Fr. Dan's passing. This will also be streamed on Holy Rosary's YouTube channel so that if you can't join us in person you can join us virtually. We hope that you can join us! \*\*\*

### **Highlights from the January Secretariat meeting:**

1. The finance board met and approved a budget for 2021 and plans for an upcoming fundraising campaign. The plan will include a new component using Online Giving opportunities.
2. The out-of-town Cursillo weekends have been cancelled and our new tentative target goal is the October Women's weekend at Our Lady of Mercy.
3. A spiritual director committee will plan the mechanics of the weekend because of the pandemic. The goal of our planning is to preserve the integrity and core elements of the weekend while dealing with CDC guidelines and recommendations.
4. Our marketing committee is developing plans and ideas to help our Cursillo family stay engaged since we are unable to be together. Check the Cursillo website and Facebook pages to see what kinds of activities, reflections, prayers, or presentations are being shared.
5. Deacon Tom, our Spiritual Director, has requested all Cursillistas to pray a Hail Mary and the Serenity Prayer for God's blessing and direction for our Cursillo Movement.

### **The Coordinators Corner**

2020 was an unforgettable year that will go down in history. It was a year of uncertainty, of isolation, of fear, and of suffering. Many experienced anxiety, depression, and grief.

God says, "Do not be afraid. For I am with you always." Even amidst chaos, God is dependable. He wants to be our strength, our deliverer. But we must choose to trust Him.

You always have a choice. You can choose to dwell on the past and focus on the negative and wallow in bitterness, or you can choose to take God's hand and let him lead the way to a new, better path. When you choose to follow God, you choose to love. God wants you. He has a plan for your life. He wants you to experience joy and freedom from fear. But He won't force you to follow Him. You have to decide.

Choose to be thankful. Count your blessings; I'm sure you'll find there are many. It's hard to be depressed when you are feeling grateful. Remember, God wants to take control of the chaos. Will you let Him?

I count myself blessed to be part of this amazing Cursillo family. Thank you all for your friendship!

May you be blessed.

De Colores!

Dan and Marianne

other news as needed

## PRAYER DEPARTMENT

Please pray for all those in need of prayer, especially for:

- all who are sick, especially Father Dan Prez and Bill "Clem" Stumpf undergoing surgery.
- Pat Burroughs whose mother passed away.

Also continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, for all those serving in the military, and our first responders.

Please contact a member of the newsletter team with the names of those who are in need of prayers.

## NEWSLETTER DONATIONS

It costs the Cursillo in Crawford County approximately \$80 each time we send out our newsletter by email and US Postal service with costs still going up. (That's with paper and printing donated!) Please consider getting the newsletter sent by email if you have an email address. Contact Desi Wagner at [dtwod@windstream.net](mailto:dtwod@windstream.net) to change to email delivery.

Regardless, please consider making a donation for our mailing costs (postal mail & email subscription).

No amount is too large or too small! Thank you in advance for your support.

- Donations can be mailed to: Sue Simonetta, 11217 N. Watson Run Road, Conneaut Lake, PA 16316

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\*If you are moving, please give your new address to Desi.

## **Palanca**

Deliver your Palanca to the **Saint Agatha Church Office** by Noon on Thursday of any Cursillo Weekend. If the office is closed, just leave it at the door and be sure it's marked "Palanca".

## **Want to Work on a Team?**

Contact the County Coordinators