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He is Risen

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Pre-Cursillo

Procrastination:

It seems the men have trouble with this when it comes to finding candidates. The women have no trouble finding candidates, but life has a way of throwing roadblocks in the way of their candidates making it to the weekend. Maybe we need to direct more of our time and prayer to asking for God's help in finding and getting candidates to the weekend. -- *Dave Roesinger*

Lay Director: Continued from Page 1 mean that God is absent. It often means that God is calling us to a greater faithfulness.

It is in these times of spiritual dryness that we must hold on to our spiritual disciplines so that we can grow into new intimacy with God. Being in a friendship group is so important; you help each other walk with Jesus, keep each other on the right path, and pray in those times when you are going through dry periods and can't pray for yourself.

De Colores -- Helen Otto

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From

The Lay Director

When you read this, it is the Easter season, but as I write this article, it is still Lent. When I stood in front of the crowd at the closing of the men and women's weekends, I not only saw the newest Cursillistas but also those that have been here for one, five, twenty or more years, coming faithfully to closings, Ultreyas, and groups. Our desire to change the world and make it more Christ-like is high on our lists. But I know that to make this walk with Jesus every day can be a challenge and at times we wander in the desert not knowing if we are even walking toward the Lord.

Sometimes we experience a terrible dryness in our spiritual lives. We feel no desire to pray nor even the presence of God. Spiritual dryness can hit us all and at different times during our walk with the Lord. Sometimes it's a short duration, and other times it seems it will never end. At times I have cried out like Jesus, "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?" only to come out the other side knowing that somehow I have grown by having that time of spiritual dryness.

That's when it is important to realize that most of these feelings and thoughts are just feelings and thoughts and that the spirit of God dwells beyond our feelings and thoughts. It doesn't

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Our Spiritual Advisor

I hope that all of you had a wonderful Easter. It is a story that we not only retell, we celebrate. We literally live it out.

For the disciples of Jesus, Calvary was devastating. The road to Emmaus is a long lonely road of fear, loneliness and disappointments. Recognition of the Risen Lord gave them, and all of us hope. It was in the breaking of the bread that they recognized Jesus, even though he had been in their midst talking with them on the road to Emmaus.

Those disciples were so troubled on leaving Calvary with their own grief and fear, that they didn't realize Jesus was with them. In the breaking of the bread, they recalled the Last Supper.

We often find ourselves on the road to Emmaus, so caught up in our grief, that we fail to recognize Jesus in our midst.

While on our our road, in the breaking of bread, this Risen Christ lives and we are called to proclaim that with our lives. Sometimes we need to wake up, look around and experience the Risen Christ.

As Cursillistas, we are privileged with the task of bearing witness to the new Christ. What a wonderful vehicle to share the love and victory of Jesus.

De Colores, Father Glenn

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Women's Cursillo #80

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Denise Boehnlein - OLMC
Therese Brandon - Holy Name
Laura Burton - Christ the King
Kelly Carlisle - St. Simon
Jenny DeHeer - OLMC
Lauri Fehribach - St. Simon
Julie Flaherty - Holy Spirit, Geist
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Brenna Kaelin - St. Simon
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Patricia Manley - St. Michael
Sheila McDermott-Sipp - St. John, Bloomington
Beverly Jean McNeely - St. Joseph
Sheila O'Laughlin - St. Maria Goretti
Jo O'Sullivan - St. Monica
Pam Quintana - OLMC
Mary Beth Roedl - St. Paul, Bloomington
Sarah Sheldon - St. Maria Goretti

Men's Cursillo #91

Albert Atherton - St. Louis de Montford
David Borkowski - St. Simon
Ron Borthwick - St. Maria Goretti
John East - St. Ambrose
Frank Esposito - St. Maria Goretti
Thomas Flood - St. Simon
Charlie Fraker - St. Pius X
Matthew Fritz - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Glenn Halberstadt - Holy Cross
Daniel Herbertz - Holy Cross
Michael Holland - St. Simon
Daryl Kaelin - St. Simon
John Kartholl - St. Simon
Terrence Killen - St. Elizabeth Seton
Larry Kunkel - St. Louis de Montford
John Lenahan - St. Simon
Michael MacNulty - St. Maria Goretti
Mark Mader - St. Mary
John O'Sullivan - St. Monica
Thomas Penno - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Rick Pohjman - St. Simon
John Schaffner - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Gary Solomon - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Richard Stutts - St. Simon
Gary Teagardin - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Patrick Vessely - St. Maria Goretti
William Woods - Our Lady of Grace

CURSILLO The Three Days

How lovely your dwelling, O Lord of hosts ...
happy are those who find refuge in you, whose
hearts are set on pilgrim roads. *Psalm 84*

It is my humble honor to serve on the Secretariat as the Three-Day Cursillo section leader. When I made my weekend, #82 in the Fall of 1999, I never expected to be putting these words to paper, but Our Lord has his plans. As I reflect on the term "short course," I find it works at so many levels in our faith. The weekend has prepared us and showed us that we need not only faith, but to recognize the need to grow in knowledge and understanding of our faith.

To recognize that we are on a short course, which is this life, and the ultimate goal is getting to the next one, is to realize we are all works in progress and our Lord is building us into the living stones of his Church.

After every Cursillo weekend the Church is stronger. Families become stronger and holier. Neighborhoods and work places become leavened with the power of the Holy Spirit working through our lives as we grow in Christ through his Church.

Let us continue to pray for the evangelization of the world through Jesus' Church through the power of this movement. Let us share how Jesus is working in our lives on this pilgrim journey. Let us start praying now for the "yes" of the men and women Jesus is calling to be on the upcoming fall weekends.

De Colores, -- Steven Wetli

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Area Ultreyas

Bloomington/Bedford - The fourth Friday of each month at 7 pm at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Bloomington. E-mail Vince and Kim Holly or call (812) 824-7329 for more information.

Cicero - First Saturday of each month after 8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart parish in Cicero (six miles north of Noblesville). Refreshments. Call Bob Boe at (317) 984-3801.

Indianapolis City-Wide ultreya - visits a different parish each month. If you would like to host this event at your parish for one month, call Jim Pfennig at (317) 243-3648

Noblesville - Third Friday each month in chapel of Our Lady of Grace parish, 191st St. & SR 37. 7:30 pm. Refreshments. Call Ron and Veronica Anderson (317) 773-1107. No Ultreya June-Aug

Columbus - Monthly Ultreya starts with pitch-in dinner in basement of St. Batholomew Church. Time and Saturday date listed on Web Site. No Ultreya June or July. Call Jerry and Paula Stahl at (812) 372-9152 for more information.

Lafayette - Fourth Friday each month, 7 pm in the John Bosco room at Blessed Sacrament parish. Call Jeff Jarboe at (765) 567-2216 for more information.

Richmond Catholic Community - Last Saturday each month, 7:30 am at Richmond Catholic Education Center, 233 S. 5th St., Richmond. Call Tom and Cheryl Kitchin at (765) 966-5164.

Holy Spirit Geist - Quarterly ultreyas. Call Rob Mountcastle at (765) 534-3135 for schedule.

Post-Cursillo the fourth day

Welcome to all the new Cursillistas who made their "three days" in the Spring of 2004. You may still be digesting what occurred during your weekend. It will take some time. There are some things that will help you during your Fourth Day. The first is group reunion, which is a small weekly gathering of Cursillistas to help you continue your conversion experience and to live your Fourth Day, which is the rest of your life. When you live it, you bring Christ to your environments of home, work and social activities. Talk to your sponsor about joining a group reunion. It is a sponsor's responsibility to get new Cursillistas into a group.

Ultreya is a monthly gathering of group reunions. Ultreyas help build a sense of Cursillo community like you experienced on your weekend. It is also your sponsor's responsibility to get you to ultreyas. The Voice and our web site will help keep you informed about Cursillo activities.

God Bless each of you. Remember, Christ is counting on you.

Jerry Stahl - Post-Cursillo Section Leader

Pilgrim School

Pilgrim's School was held on December 4th and 11th at St. Joseph's Parish. There were 29 participants. Due to the busy schedules of both the Spiritual Directors and Fr. Glenn, the Pastor, Mary Kendall, Peggy Philhower, and David Gorsage stepped in a gave the talks ordinarily given by the clergy. The other speakers were Ken Corbett, Tyrone Tyce, Monty Mountcastle, Jane Maher and Jo Cavanaugh. The two-week format was very well received. As one participant's critique stated, "I enjoyed the two-hour sessions, and would have had a hard time attending four separate sessions." Dale Platteter, who was on the men's team, said, "The December Pilgrim's School allowed us to change the focus of our formation to better concentrate on group reunion and team spirituality."

One person commented, "Very helpful for me, as this is the first team I'll work on." Another participant said, "It's been several years since my Cursillo weekend. It was needed." A third offered, "Especially enjoyed review of all talks by Jo, and Dave's talk was awe-inspiring." Another said, "I loved David's enthusiasm, Energizing!" One Cursillista stated, "I think it would be wonderful if more people would attend - regardless of when you've made your weekend -- very good information and refresher."

The next Pilgrim's School will be held in late summer.

-- Peggy Philhower