



## APPLICATION FOR CURSILLO (ENGLISH)

Archdiocese of New York

The following information is requested in order that we may better serve you and the Cursillo Movement. Please print or type your answers; if additional space is required, add an additional sheet.

LAST NAME		FIRST		M.I.	MALE ____ FEMALE ____
STREET ADDRESS			APT. #	CITY, STATE, ZIP	
TELEPHONE ( ) -		IF YOU ARE MARRIED, <u>WHERE</u> AND <u>WHEN</u> DID, OR WILL, YOUR SPOUSE MAKE CURSILLO?			
MARITAL STATUS	AGE	EDUCATION	OCCUPATION / TYPE OF WORK		
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A CATHOLIC?		PARISH NAME		PARISH LOCATION (CITY/STATE)	
Specify any church activities in which you have been involved (such as CFM, CCD, Charismatic Renewal, Eucharistic Minister, Parish Council, K of C, CTA, Legion of Mary, Cornerstone, Young Adults, TEC, Music, etc.).					
Specify any community activities in which you have been involved (such as Scouting, PTA, Big Brothers, Hospital Volunteers, political organizations, homeless, etc.).					
Considering that the weekend will include three FULL days of activity, please indicate any physical disabilities and/or chronic or emotional illness which might interfere with your participation (e.g., diabetes, depression, need of wheelchair, special accommodations needed, etc.).					

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Please complete information on page 2. →

Date received

Date Accepted

Ultreya Area

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To best ensure that the Cursillo weekend will be an enjoyable and valuable experience for you and everyone concerned, kindly provide the following information. Please note: Your answers will be held in strict confidence.

Give a brief frank statement of why you wish to experience a Cursillo weekend and what you expect to gain from it.

If you are "in recovery" (widowed, divorced, alcohol or drug recovery, receiving psychological counseling, etc.) It is recommended that you wait at least 12 months before making a Cursillo weekend. Do any of the above situations apply to you? No \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ (If YES, please elaborate)

Will you require any special assistance on the weekend? No \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ (If YES, please explain)

Do you require a special diet? No \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ (If YES, please explain)

SPONSOR INFORMATION

YOUR SPONSOR'S NAME	YOUR SPONSOR'S TEL. NO. ( ) -
YOUR SPONSOR'S ADDRESS	YOUR SPONSOR'S CITY, STATE, ZIP

X \_\_\_\_\_  
YOUR SIGNATURE

X \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF PRIEST (YOUR PARISH PRIEST OR ONE WHO KNOWS YOU)

\_\_\_\_\_  
PLEASE PRINT NAME OF PRIEST

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRIEST'S LOCATION

If no priest's signature, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Please forward completed application to your sponsor with a \$40.00 deposit check to be applied to the cost of the weekend. Make check payable to **NY Cursillo (English)**.



**SPONSOR'S FORM – CURSILLO (ENGLISH)**  
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The information you are asked to provide will be kept in strict confidence and is solicited so that we may plan the weekend in a way to best serve the candidates. If you need more space to answer a question, please add an additional sheet of paper. This completed form plus the completed application plus a deposit of \$40 should all be sent to your Ultreya Representative at least three weeks before the start of the three-day Cursillo weekend.

**Note:** Please be openly honest in answering the questions, and print or type your responses.

**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

Your Last Name	First	M.I.
Your Address	City	State/Zip

Telephone # ( ) —	Your Parish Name	Location
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When and where did you make your Cursillo?

Why do you think this applicant should make the Cursillo weekend?

**Information Regarding The Applicant**

How would you describe the applicant? (For example: leader; follower; quiet; argumentative; articulate; religious; nominal Catholic; etc.).

How well do you know the applicant?

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To your knowledge, does this applicant have any physical, emotional, psychological or religious problems?  
No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (If Yes, please specify)

Is applicant married? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If married, is spouse's application included? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If spouse's application not included, specify reason as a result of your discussion with couple:

**FOLLOW-UP AND SUPPORT**

Do you actively participate in the Cursillo movement? (For example):

Group Reunion? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Ultreya Attendance? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_  
4<sup>th</sup> Day School/Leader's School Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Other? \_\_\_\_\_

**3-DAY CURSILLO WEEKEND SUPPORT**

HOW WILL YOU SUPPORT THIS CANDIDATE DURING THE WEEKEND?

Transportation to and from the Retreat Center \_\_\_\_\_  
Attendance at Mañanita? \_\_\_\_\_ Attendance at Closing \_\_\_\_\_  
Helping out with Meal Service? \_\_\_\_\_  
Other? \_\_\_\_\_

**4<sup>th</sup> DAY SUPPORT**

Will you accompany this candidate to his or her first Ultreya after the 3-day weekend? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you read the Cursillo guidelines for sponsors? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Ultreya Rep. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# GUIDELINES FOR SPONSORS

These guidelines are the result of years of experience with the issues involved. However, they are guidelines and there are bound to be exceptions to them. If you have any questions, please contact your Representative or Precursillo Chairperson.

## COMMITMENT OF SPONSORSHIP:

1. Sponsorship is a commitment, not just an act of selection. Sponsorship means helping someone grow through the Cursillo experience and thereby reflect Christ in family, workplace, and community environments.
2. Recognizing that Cursillo is a gift of the Spirit, we should not ration this gift. Those who *should* make the Weekend are those who can help Christianize their environments. Those who meet the criteria for candidacy listed on the reverse side *can* make the weekend.
3. Sponsor should know the candidate personally, not just about the candidate. Make a friend, be a friend, bring that friend to Christ. If any doubts exist about sponsoring an individual, the matter should be discussed with others such as your Representative.

## GENERAL GUIDELINES:

1. There should be no more than 6 candidates from a parish or community for a weekend.
2. Applications for husband and wife should be submitted together. In the case where both are eligible and both agree to attend the Cursillo, the question of who attends is first not important.
3. Where either spouse chooses not to make the Weekend, the sponsor will discuss this situation with the couple and the results made known to the Representative handling the application who will follow the Couples Policy procedure.
4. To allow time for processing applications, the completed sponsor's and candidate's forms with deposit checks should be returned to the Representative at least three weeks prior to the weekend.

## CRITERIA FOR SPONSORSHIP:

1. Sponsor should be active in Group Reunion and Ultreya. If sponsor is not, an active co-sponsor should be obtained.
2. New Cursillistas are encouraged to sponsor candidates for the weekend. However, if it is less than one year, they should obtain an experienced co-sponsor, such as their own sponsor, to help them through the process of introducing candidates to Cursillo.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF SPONSOR:

1. Sponsor obtains application and sponsor forms from the Representative or downloads them from the Cursillo Website ([www.NYCursillo.org](http://www.NYCursillo.org)). The sponsor is responsible for complete, accurate and honest information about the candidate. Also, the sponsor must be sure that the candidate's form is filled out completely and legible, and that all the information is current. Information is used for the weekend and other Cursillo activities after the Weekend; all confidential information will be destroyed after the weekend.
2. The sponsor shall be responsible for the transportation of the candidate to and from the weekend and shall support the candidate through Palanca, Mananita, Closing, etc. The sponsor should offer to help the candidate's family, such as providing baby sitting during the weekend, if necessary.
3. The sponsor introduces the candidate to Group Reunion, Ultreya (not a prayer group) and School of Leaders. The sponsor explains Fourth Day activities to the candidate prior to the weekend and perseveres in encouraging the new Cursillista in these activities for at least one year following the weekend.
4. The sponsor must call the Precursillo Chairperson and/or Rector if the candidate cancels.

## CRITERIA FOR CANDIDATES

**AGE:** Candidate should be at least 21 years of age.

**RELIGION:**

- Candidate should be a Catholic with no impediments to receiving the Sacraments.
- Non-Catholics Christians should be encouraged to participate in Cursillo-like weekends experiences sponsored by their Faith or are Interdenominational. However, if the non-Catholic spouse participates in an RCIA process, special consideration for attending a Cursillo weekend might be given. The sponsor must prepare such a candidate for not receiving the Eucharist on the weekend. Please check with the Precursillo representative for further information.
- Non-Christians cannot be accepted for a Cursillo weekend.

**MARITAL STATUS:**

Separated, divorced or widowed candidates should wait at least one year before submitting an application to ensure emotional stability.

**HEALTH:**

- Because of the strenuous nature of the weekend, a candidate should be physically, emotionally and mentally able to participate fully.
- Persons with serious personal problems (mental, emotional, marriage) are not the best candidates for Cursillo at this time.

**PHYSICAL CHALLENGES:**

- Candidates who are physically challenged will be accepted based on availability of reasonable accommodations.
- Candidates who are pregnant should be made aware of the strenuous nature of the weekend.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE:**

A candidate with a history of alcohol and/or substance abuse must be sober and/or drug free for at least one year before submitting an application.

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