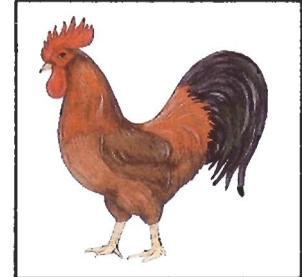


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FROM OUR LAY DIRECTOR—JIM ODELL

My dear friends, it is with great joy that I ask you to join me in welcoming the new Cursillistas from the Spring Weekends to the Cursillo Community. They join us in celebrating our Fourth Day Journey, making Cursillo part of our everyday lives through Group Reunion and Ultreya.

I am also reporting that the Secretariat elections have taken place, allowing me to fill a three year term as Lay Director. I ask for your prayers to guide us all in the future endeavors of our movement and to bring us even closer to God in our plans. The other positions filled in the elections are Pre Cursillo, Joe Lysonski, and Secretary, Jim Rangitsch. Communications is still open for nominations at this time. Anyone wishing to submit their name for this position should contact me for information (Jpodell14@aol.com). Thank you!

This year brings an era to a close. Pat DiGiacomo, after many years on the Secretariat, has decided not to run for any position. Pat has dedicated a great deal of her time to this movement, including service on committees, work on the by-laws, and various positions including Lay Director. She has chosen to retire, as she calls it, but I and many others know she is only a phone call away. We have been truly blessed to have such a leader. Thank you, Pat.

The next thank you is to the Romaines, Nancy and Ray, editors in chief of the Rooster Crows. They too are stepping down. If you read this Rooster you will see the hard work and dedication it takes to get the job done and make it available to the Community each season it is published. Again my thanks to two special people.

One more thanks to Tina Schembri, our Secretary, who filled the job for one year. Another big job—thank you!

Now to all of you, the Community—summer is approaching and the Fall Weekends are not that far away. Jesus did not take the summer off, nor did he tell us to do so. So reach out to the new members and invite them to know the movement that is part of us. Check the Rooster for the upcoming events in the New York area.

Have a wonderful day!

De colores, Jim Odell, Lay Director

Farewell from the Editors

Our term of service expires with this issue of the Rooster Crows. We appreciate the opportunity to serve the Cursillo movement for the past three years and look forward to seeing the Rooster move to the next level with new editors.

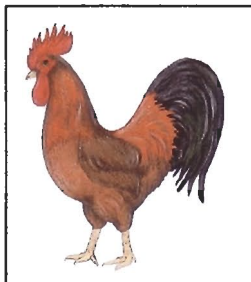
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ANYONE INTERESTED IN WORKING ON A TEAM TO PRESENT CURSILLO TO COLLEGE STUDENTS, PLEASE CONTACT JOHN DEJULIO AT KNICKROM@AOL.COM OR CALL 914-522-4733.

SCHEDULE OF ULTREYAS

Ulster County *Saugerties* St. John the Evangelist, 2nd Thurs. 7:30. Judy DeFino 845-246-4113, Brian Kimlin, 845-246-6688.

Sullivan County *Liberty* St. Peter's Rectory, 4th Sat. 6:30. Maria Torres 845-701-1189, Joan Paddock 845-292-5548.

Bloomington Our Lady of the Assumption, 3rd Thursday, 7:00. Harry Malamas 845-733-8042.

Orange County

Bullville/Goshen/Middletown St. Paul's Church, 3rd Sat. 7:30. Howie Schmid 845-469-2789 and Don Swanerbury 845-856-8320.

Pine Bush Infant Saviour, 2nd Thurs. 7:30. Rosemary DeCaro 845-744-3323.

Walden Most Precious Blood, 1st Thurs. 7:00. Kathy Livingston 845-778-0320.

Newburgh Location TBA, 4th Tues. 7:00. Jo May 845-728-2531.

Minisink Holy Cross, South Centerville, 1st Saturday 7:00. Rich Marino 845-858-7869 and Phil Mazany 845-683-1116.

Dutchess County

Poughkeepsie Mt. Alvernia, Wappingers, 4th Mon. 7:30. Terry Tornatore, 845-297-0347.

Hopewell St. Denis Parish Hall, 2nd Thurs. 7:00. Ginger Fisher 845-297-4711.

Northern Dutchess (1) Regina Coeli, Hyde Park, Pot Luck following 5 p.m. Mass, 2nd Sat. 7 p.m. (Jan, Mar, May, Aug, Oct.) and (2) St. Stanislaus, Pleasant Valley, Pot Luck following 5:30 Mass, 2nd Sat. 7 p.m. (Feb, Apr, June, Sep, Nov.). Nancy Dunn 845-635-1792.

Westchester

Northeast St. Patrick's Church, Bedford. 4th Friday, 7:30. Ingrid Climis 914-764-1277.

White Plains St. Bernard's White Plains and Holy Name, Valhalla, 3rd Sat. 7:30. Call for location Don Jones 914-948-1090.

Valhalla Holy Name, Valhalla. Location rotates with White Plains, 3rd Sat. 7:30. Call for location Joan Stone 914-428-2521.

Peekskill/Putnam Valley Call for location, Alice Parisi 914-293-0040, 3rd Wednesday 7:30.

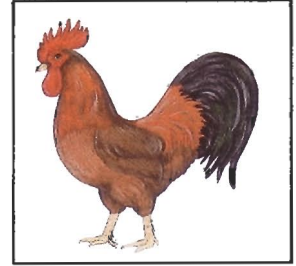
Putnam County *Mahopac/Carmel* St. John's Parish Social Hall, Mahopac. Potluck following 5:30 p.m. Mass, 3rd Saturday 7:00 p.m. Gloria Golia, 845-628-4794.

Bronx County St. Francis Xavier, 4th Tues. Ed Shimanski 718-931-8373.

Upper Manhattan St. Charles Boromeo, 211 W. 141st Street. 2nd Thursday, 7:00. Norma Marshburn 212-410-1974.

Staten Island Holy Child, 2nd Thursday 8:00. Janette Nocerino 718-667-6925.

UPCOMING NY CURSILLO EVENTS 2009



First Saturday of each month: Prayer and Palanca for the Cursillo Movement.

- May 30 Fling into Spring Ultreya, following 5 pm Mass at St. Denis, Hopewell Junction; covered dish supper at 6:15 pm.
- July 12 Picnic Ultreya, Bowdoin Park, Wappingers Falls; 12 noon.
- July 30-Aug 2 2009 National Encounter, San Bernardino, CA. Contact Jim Odell 845-942-1303.
- August Annual Family Mass and Picnic at Hanofee Park, Liberty, 12-6 pm.
- Sept 18-20 Regional Encounter, Marist Retreat Center, Framingham, MA. Contact Jim Santos, 845-692-2338.
- September 20 Spaghetti & Meatballs Dinner and Information Day, 2 pm, St. Mary's Parish Hall, Port Jervis.
- October 24 Harvest Social @ St. Mary's, Marlboro, 7:30 p.m. Contact Jean Dayton 845-236-4959.
- Oct 29-Nov 1 Men's Weekend, Mt. Alvernia
- October Men's Weekend, Mt. St. Francis
- Nov 19-22 Women's Weekend, Mt. Alvernia
- November Women's Weekend, Mt. St. Francis
- December 5 Communion Breakfast, Staten Island. Contact Lisa Castaldo, 718-967-3473.
- December 12 Advent Joint Ultreya, Mt. Alvernia, Wappingers Falls.

Mananitas gather at 7 a.m. Closings 4 p.m.

Palanca: North—Leigh Toth, 22 Molly's Way, Salt Point, NY 12578. NYnorthpalanca@hvc.rr.com.

Central—Manny Sequeira, 58 Maple Hill Drive, Mahopac, NY 10541. Doubledomer1@comcast.net.

Kitchen Palanca: North—Joanne Vignini 845-561-7674. Central—Joan Lett, 845-628-8259 or ajlett@comcast.net.

FALL CURSILLO WEEKENDS

For those Catholics living in Westchester, Putnam and Rockland counties, or in the Bronx, Manhattan or Staten Island the dates are:

- Men's Weekend, Mt. St. Francis, Peekskill, date TBD, Rector Don Jones.
- Women's Weekend, Mt. St. Francis, Peekskill, date TBD, Rectora Joan Stone.

For those in Dutchess, Ulster, Orange and Sullivan counties, the dates are:

- Men's Weekend, 10/29-11/1, Mt. St. Alphonsus, Wappingers. Rector Jim Quicksell.
- Women's Weekend, 11/19-22, Mt. St. Alphonsus, Wappingers, Rectora Martha Santos.

Interested in attending a weekend?

If so, contact [Gloria Golia](mailto:Gloria.Golia@hvc.rr.com) at 845-628-4794 if you live in Westchester/Putnam/Rockland/Bronx;

Or [Pat DiGiacomo](mailto:Pat.DiGiacomo@hvc.rr.com) at 845-297-7466 for anyone in Dutchess/Ulster/Orange/Sullivan counties.

In Manhattan or Staten Island contact [Carol Vuoso](mailto:Carol.Vuoso@hvc.rr.com) at 718-356-4742. For the dates of Brooklyn Diocese weekends, call [John Roazzi](mailto:John.Roazzi@hvc.rr.com) at 718-229-8001, ext. 310. In the Rockville Center Diocese, contact [Suellen Peterson](mailto:Suellen.Peterson@hvc.rr.com) at 516-484-4857.

Welcome New Cursillistas!

Men's Weekend #194 Central/South

Walter Jakymiw, Carmel
 James Matthies, Jr., Staten Island
 Peter Muroski, Wingdale
 Bennie Rivera, Bronx
 Bruce Zarzsia, Yorktown Heights

Women's Weekend #192

Mary Ann Austin, Norwalk, CT
 Nancy Collura, Staten Island
 Ann Feldman, Carmel
 Margaret Figueroa, Staten Island
 Beth Gollogly, Ridgefield, CT
 Dorothy Patti, Somers
 Jaqueline Wright, New York
 Camille Zychowski, Staten Island



Men's Weekend #195 North

Fr. Francis Azah, Pleasant Valley
 Robert Brauer, Wallkill
 Michael Faso, Pine Bush
 Michael Flodin, Pine Bush
 Howard (Fritz) Haller, Saugerties
 Kevin Harrison, Port Jervis
 John Kenny, Chester
 John Knipp, Washingtonville
 Bob Leavy, Middletown
 Deacon Robert Pelech, Poughquag
 Edgar Rivera, Pleasant Valley
 Julio Rivera, Port Jervis
 Jason Rogers, Catskill
 William Sullivan, Bronx
 James Tirpak, New Hampton
 Terrence Wynne, Saugerties

Women's Weekend #193

Irene Brauer, Wallkill
 Christine Burley, Pine Bush
 Carol Calabro, Westtown
 Lauren Chitty, Wappingers
 Jennie Collins, Pine Bush
 Zoe Faso, Middletown
 Christina Kirschner, Pleasant Valley
 Kathy Lawler, Poughkeepsie
 Yolanda Leavy, Middletown
 Donna McCarthy, New Windsor
 Joan Quigley, Hyde Park
 Linda Rivera, Pleasant Valley
 Agnes (Cookie) Timberger, Port Jervis
 Melody Tirpak, New Hampton

REMINDER

St. Paul is the patron of the Cursillo Movement.

June 2008 to June 2009 is the Year of Paul.

Year of Paul

Readings

June 08: Acts 1-12
 July 08: 1 Thessalonians
 Aug 08: 2 Thessalonians
 Sept 08: 1 Corinthians
 Oct 08: 2 Corinthians
 Nov 08: Philippians
 Dec 08: Galatians
 Jan 09: Romans
 Feb 09: Ephesians
 Mar 09: Colossians
 Apr 09: 1 & 2 Timothy
 May 09: Titus & Philemon
 June 09: Acts 13-28

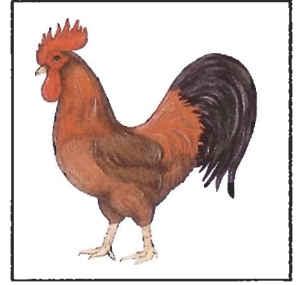
One of the scribes...asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.

Mark 12: 28-31

Cursillo de Christiandad

How the Cursillo Movement Evangelizes—Today and in the Future

by Don Jones



Cursillistas Help Each Other!

Do you need prayers or help? Contact your Ultreya representative (see page 2).

Evangelization is the central theme of our mission, which is to foster an experience of conversion and renewal in the hearts of Catholic believers, leading them to live a more active Christian life and ultimately encouraging them to spread this sense of renewal to others.

The Cursillo approach is as follows:

1. Identify Catholics who seem to have leadership potential.
2. Invite them to attend a 3-day Spiritual Development weekend called a Cursillo.
3. Provide them with a unique conversion experience, which consists of and results in:
 - A fuller vision of Christianity in today's world.
 - A feeling that this richer vision is one I am empowered, through Christ, to help bring about.
 - A powerful awareness of the love that God and Jesus have for me.
 - A unique experience, during the weekend, of being incorporated into an intensely loving, caring and sharing Christian community.
 - A set of tools for persevering in the quest for holiness, formation, evangelization and community after the weekend.

The time following the "3 days" is called the "4th day" and refers to the rest of one's life. The Cursillo is best known for its weekends, but the 3 days are merely a launch pad for getting Catholics into the 4th day, where they are called:

- A. To exert a Christianizing influence on all their environments.
- B. To share, via small "Friendship Groups", with other Cursillo members those occasions in their lives relative to Piety, Study and Evangelization.
- C. To target and befriend other Catholics as a strategy for recruiting them to attend a Cursillo weekend and become active in the mission of Evangelization.

Founded in Spain in 1948, the Movement has enriched the lives of millions around the world. Members are usually active in their parishes and have been involved in the launching of other apostolates such as Charismatic Renewal, Cornerstone, Marriage Encounter, Prison Ministry programs, and the like.

Cursillo is an international movement. Weekends are held in the Archdiocese of New York in both the Spanish and English languages and in the Korean language in the New York—New Jersey metropolitan area.

Most priests and bishops who have attended a Cursillo weekend do not hesitate to praise the Movement and to make it a part of their pastoral plans.

In the words of the late Bishop Edward A McGurkin M.M.: "Cursillo is an intense short course in basic Christian life, in Christian values, and Christian Evangelization. It brings the people back to a realization of what Christ really taught, to what is expected for the following of Christ, and how to pass on His Spirit."



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SHARE WITH THE CURSILLO
COMMUNITY, PLEASE EMAIL OR
CALL THE EDITORS AT THE
ADDRESSES ABOVE.**

Thank you from Birthright

At the Lenten Ultreya on March 28, 2009 at Mt. St. Francis, the Cursillo community donated a large amount of baby supplies to Birthright in honor of the Cursillistas who have gone on to their fifth day with Jesus. Here is a thank-you from Tina McDermott on behalf of Birthright:

Sweater sets, onesies, blankets, diapers and wipes...

The gifts placed at the altar for Birthright at last night's Lenten Ultreya were like an Epiphany for Birthright.

Thank you for all the gifts to honor Life in memory of our loved ones who have died this year. They will be shared with the Peekskill, Carmel, and Ossining offices of Birthright, helping mothers and babies find alternatives to abortion. If you know of anyone in need of our assistance, or if you would like to volunteer, please call Tina at (914) 736-9852.

PLEASE HELP US REACH CURSILLISTAS

NY Cursillo English would like to reach out to fellow Cursillistas by mailing the Rooster Crows and other communication materials to those we can't reach by email. Printing and mailing costs are presently beyond our ability without your help. Please consider helping with this effort by contributing to our fund for communications. NY Cursillo English is a 501(C)(3) organization and your contributions are tax-deductible.

Please make checks payable to NY Cursillo (English) and mail to our Treasurer, Vito Porpora, P.O. Box 114, Lincolndale, NY 10540-0114. Thank you for your donation!

Enlosed is my donation for Cursillo communications of:

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