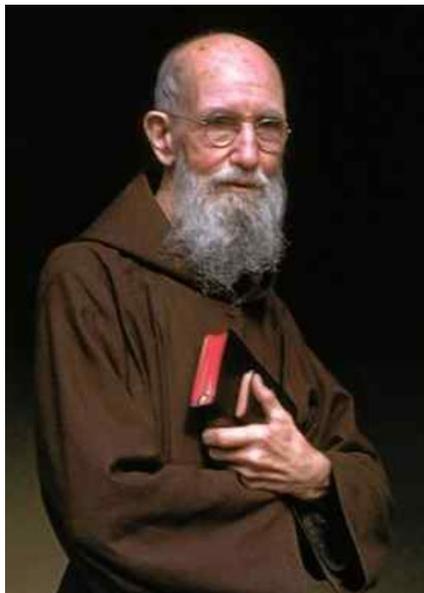


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Fr. Solanus Casey

Beatification Mass
Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017

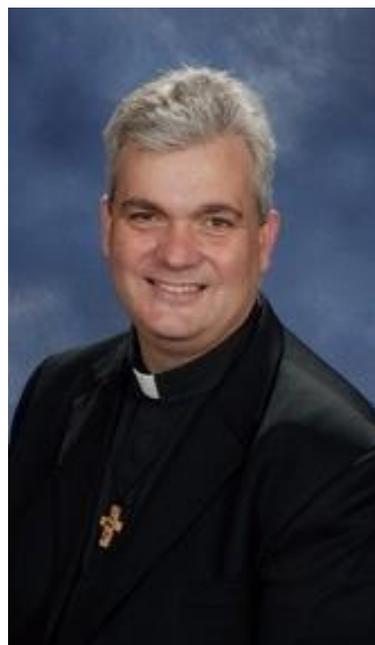
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SOLD OUT
Televised on EWTN

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Father Chris Talbot
Spiritual Director
Detroit Cursillo Movement

Nov. 25, 1870: Born Bernard Casey in Oak Grove WI

Dec. 18, 1870: Baptized, St. Joseph Church, Prescott WI

Jan. 14, 1897: Invested as Capuchin Novice Francis Solanus

July 24, 1904: Ordained as Priest, St. Francis Church. Transferred to St. Bonaventure, Detroit MI

Apr. 25, 1946: Semi-retired, St. Felix Friary, Huntington IN

1956 Spring: Returns to Detroit for medical treatments

July 31, 1957: Gives up his soul to God at St. John Hospital, Detroit MI

July 11, 1995: Declared Venerable by Pope John Paul II

May 4, 2017: Pope Francis Announces Plan for Beatification of Fr. Solanus

DECOLORES



The Women's Weekend #398 saw a great response from the Fourth Day Community which prompted Father Chris to remind us all of how important it is to show where our hearts are with this Movement. He implored us to attend the Ultreyas and support Group Reunions. Living Cursillo is much more than merely serving on a Weekend Team, or attending Closings. Ultreyas are occurring in four different locations within the AOD...why not attend one this month?

CURSILLO CALENDAR

Wednesday Nov 1st

ALL SAINTS DAY

(NO ULTREYA this Month, only)

ULTREYA

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Saint Genevieve –

Saint Maurice Church Chapel

Livonia, MI

Saturday, November 11, 2017

ULTREYA

10:00 – 11:30 am

Saint Malachy Church

Rectory Basement

Sterling Heights, MI

Saturday, November 18, 2017

ULTREYA

9:00 – 10:30 am

Christ the Redeemer Parish

Library / Meeting Room

Lake Orion, MI 48350

Tuesday, November 28, 2017

ULTREYA

7:30 – 9:00 pm

Saint Benedict Church

Waterford, MI

Next **Men's Weekend:**

CURSILLO 399

St. Mary's Retreat House

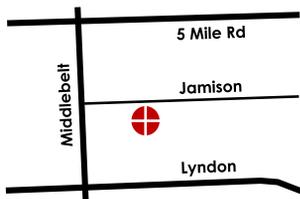
Dec. 7-10, 2017

Rector: Tony D'Amico

“Let him have all your worries and cares, for he is always thinking about you and watching everything that concerns you.”

-1 Peter 5:7

Now, more than ever, reconnect with your Fourth Day Community; attend an ULTREYA near you, this month!



WESTERN WAYNE - Livonia

(1st Wednesday)

St. Genevieve-

St. Maurice Parish

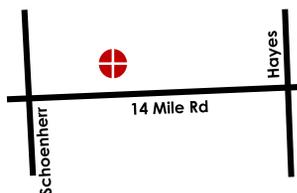
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

29015 Jamison St,

Livonia, MI 48154

Deacons Kevin Breen and

Paul Mueller 248 891 9387



MACOMB - Sterling Heights

(2nd Saturday)

St. Malachy Parish

(Rectory Basement)

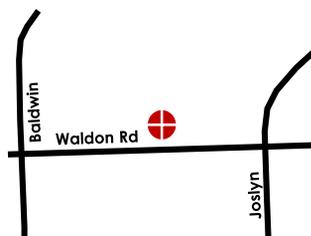
10:00 – 11:30 am

Sterling Heights

14115 Fourteen Mile Rd.

Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Barb Davis 586 228 0264



Northern OAKLAND

(3rd Saturday)

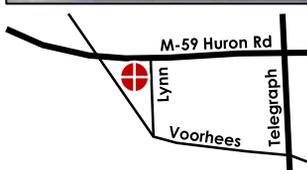
Christ the Redeemer Parish

9:00 am – 10:30 am

2700 Walden Rd,

Lake Orion, MI 48350

Chip Farrar 586 925 2089



Waterford (4th Tuesday)

St. Benedict Church

7:30 – 9:00 pm

80 Lynn Street

Waterford, MI 48328

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Pray for Our Spiritual Directors; and hosts of our Ultreyas

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Father Paul Ballien
Father Don Archambault
Father Charles Morris
Father Mark Brauer
Father Joseph Gembala
Father Ben Luedtke
Father Vic Clore
Father Jack Baker
Father James Mayworm
Monseigneur Tim Hogan
Deacon Paul Mueller
Deacon Jack Parent
Deacon Steve Mitchell
Deacon Bob Modes
Deacon Don Baross
Deacon Tom Sliney
Deacon Kevin Breen

...they're praying for us!

Father Maurice Pierce...
Father Ron Milligan...

Pray for us!

Cursillo (cur SEE yo) is a voluntary Lay Movement of the Catholic Church started in Spain, which presents a method and strategy for living basic Christian Ideals. The inherent message of Cursillo is to share one's Christianity in the normal everyday activities of life ... with your family, in your workplace, in your neighborhood, in your parish community, and throughout the whole world.

Our Mission is the Church's mission. We're fully Catholic, and obedient to the Magisterium. Cursillo was endorsed by Pope Paul VI (1966), Pope John Paul II (1980) mentioned Cursillo as one of the tools of the New Evangelization, and Pope Francis (2011) wrote an inspiring letter encouraging cursillistas in their work in Argentina.

Cursillo in the Archdiocese of Detroit is a voluntary lay administered organization founded in 1962, and focused on evangelization. Cursillo collects no dues or fees of its member participants.

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COME HOLY SPIRIT

**Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of Your faithful
and kindle in us the fire of Your love.
Send forth Your Spirit
and we shall be created.
And You shall renew the face of the earth.
Oh God, Who by the light of the Holy Spirit
did instruct the hearts of the faithful
grant that by that same Holy Spirit
we may be truly wise
and ever rejoice
in His consolations
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

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Jesus, You're My Anchor

October 19-22, 2017
St. Mary's Retreat House

The Greatest Weekend, Ever !!!

1. Marysol Cross
2. Karen Jogan
3. Joyce Toia
4. Chris Wesley
5. Renee Heilman
6. Dena Barcome-King
7. Ann Modes
8. Kitty Moore
9. Sherri Carter
10. Lynn Pfannes
11. Carolyn Kryza
12. Irene Kearney
13. Kelly McNally
14. Karen Farrar
15. Karen Hornyack
16. Teresa Buynak
17. Father Vic Clore
18. Sharon Grix
19. Jane Schwab
20. Jean Mitchell
21. Lynn Wittla
22. Shirley Sands
23. Bonnie Haines
24. Deacon Paul Mueller (not shown)
25. Father Paul Ballien (not shown)

School of Leaders

TEACHING

THE ULTREYA AND ITS IMPORTANCE TO THE PERSON

*Source: National Cursillo Center Mailing –
February 2012*

The Ultreya is the gathering of the Groups or the Reunion of the Group Reunions. The Groups and their members participate in it for the same reasons they go to the Friendship Group Reunions: to share what everybody and every Group lives. They do not go there to acquire knowledge or to receive instructions. If the purpose of the Ultreya were to be an educational or organizational one, it would not have the "universal" aspect that so clearly characterizes and defines it.

When this happens, and despite noble goals and objectives, the focus of the Ultreya shifts away from the conversion process in a way almost unnoticed at first by even the faithful pilgrims, until the entire focus has changed from that of BEING and BECOMING Christian to that of DOING Christian things. It is to prevent this very shift that Ultreya must be faithful to the mission. The whole Movement depends on it being so.

Once the Ultreya ceases to be this instrument of conversion and turns into venues for those who believe they know better or believe they are better than the others — they inevitably lose members and end up simply with a place where "the most saintly", "the most thoughtless", and those who attended "the most recent" Cursillo, gather.

Imagine what questions we may ask ourselves if we allow Christ to be transparent within us – in our job, with our supervisor, co-workers, employees, etc. Do we give others the desire to know Christ

because of our actions and testimony of our life?

The same thing happens in our personal living as sons, brothers, friends, neighbors, etc. What magazines and books do I read? Are they what a Christian should read? What radio programs do I listen to and what TV programs do I watch? Are these programs appropriate to what a Christian should listen and watch? In what manner do we contribute to eliminate all that enters our home through the communication media that damages and corrupts our society?

As mentioned before, these are some of the most common circumstances, situations and experiences that may contradict our way of life in Christ. In all of this we are not attempting to see how good we are, but rather to examine if we are truly in disposition to allow Christ to incarnate Himself in us so we may be truly transparent of Christ in our environments.

Let's analyze when we lived our Cursillo Weekend. On Thursday night during the Introduction rollo we were asked to portray three things: enthusiasm, self-giving, and charity (Love). As we portray these three things, all of that "doing" during those three days were converted into a living ("being") experience of our piety, study, and action.

Everyday we started with morning prayers and offerings. Daily we shared a meditation, Mass, food, rollos, and shared at our tables (Group Reunion), songs, rest, and summaries by posters of the rollos of the day (Ultreya). The visits to the Blessed Sacrament (individual and group tables), night prayers, rosary, and examine of conscience helped us to reflect over the events of that day. It was that personal

contact with each other, which converted that “doing” into a living and sharing. Then we ended with the Closing – Grand Ultreya – “the encounter” and sharing with the Cursillo community.

Now let's analyze and compare our daily living with our Cursillo Weekend. What is the difference? In reality there is a difference between the “environments” of our Cursillo Weekend and the “environments” of our Postcursillo.

In our Cursillo Weekend we were cloistered in a little piece of heaven, while in our Postcursillo the things of the world surround us; the environment is very different. Nevertheless our living and our “sharing” in Postcursillo cannot be different to the sharing in our Cursillo Weekend. Our “sharing” and “living” should not change as we move from one place to another.

If our Cursillo Weekend is transformed into a perennial Cursillo (everlasting – for life), then we will continuously strive to actualize Christ in our life. Being a Christian and our Christian actions go hand in hand; the “action” is a consequence of the “being”. St. Augustine said it very simply: “Love God and do what you please”. It is similar to St. Paul on his way to Damascus - we allow ourselves to be taken down by our Lord and we ask Him, “what should I do Lord?” Because like in the Cursillo, everything we do in life is:

Through Christ – yes, in our work, in our family, in our social life, in our neighborhood, in our parish community; in other words, in our moveable square meter at this exact moment. We must become conscious that in all that we do it is Christ who does it through us and all is done well. And it is done well because He does it.

With Christ – because He Himself told us “that without him we cannot do anything” and He does not deceive us – “I am with you always, until the end of the world”. With Him we can overcome everything and we will be transparent of Him.

PIETY

“In the life of the body a man is sometimes sick, and unless he takes medicine, he will die. Even so in the spiritual life a man is sick on account of sin. For that reason he needs medicine so that he may be restored to health; and this grace is bestowed in the Sacrament of Penance.”

-St. Thomas Aquinas

“Confession heals, confession justifies, confession grants pardon of sin, all hope consists in confession; in confession there is a chance for mercy.”

-St. Isidore of Seville

“Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire!”

-Saint Catherine of Siena

“True charity consists in doing good to those who do us evil, and in thus winning them over.”

-Saint Alphonsus Liguori

“If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one.”

– Mother Teresa

STUDY

- **Thomas Aquinas; Spiritual Master**
by Bishop Robert Barron
1996 Crossroads Publishing
- **Eucharist – Catholic Spirituality for Adults**
by Bishop Robert Barron
2008 Orbis Books
- **Eucharist – A Bible Study Guide for Catholics**
by Fr. Mitch Pacwa
2013 Our Sunday Visitor
- **The Group Reunion**
by Father Juan Capo
National Cursillo Website

In Christ – “It is not me who lives but Christ who lives in me” said St. Paul. Living in His grace with total self-giving and a spirit of charity (living our Cursillo Weekend in our Postcursillo). It is He who lives in us and we who make Him transparent in all of our actions. This is our apostolate – (apostolic action), this is all our life. This is how we take Christ into our small world (the environments) with all the inconvenience, frustration, setbacks, etc., but also with all the love, joy, freedom, conviction, surrender, etc., that we portray in our being. It is living in grace (Christ's presence within us) that God's plan becomes a reality and the actualization of the Gospel in our own existence.

This is what we share and partake in the Ultreya. The Ultreya is sharing and communicating our common faith. It is the life of the Christian in harmony with the life of grace, which enlivens all of our daily life. It is living the same normality that was lived at the Cursillo Weekend, nothing more and nothing less.

Likewise in the circumstances of our own life and our small world this only allows us to gather for a little while because of our busy life. We need to plan the Ultreya for the best sharing possible. The planning is minimum but necessary. We cannot lose sight of the importance that we should give to the “person”.

As leaders of the Cursillo Movement we should act and serve in the same manner and spirit as in the Cursillo Weekend. To the point that we would die to self in order for the person to reach a true participation in Christian community, knowing, feeling and being a true member of the mystical body of Christ (The Communion of Saints).

Just like the Thursday of our Cursillo, we did not know each other but by Sunday it seemed like we had known each other all our life. Furthermore, we did not want to depart from each other.

- National Cursillo Center Publications

ACTION

If you have a photo of your Weekend or an early Weekend, take a photo of it and send it to:

Kerygma1950@gmail.com

...so that we can build our collective Detroit Cursillo History. Thanks!



FINAL WORD

Ephesians 5: 1-14

So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma. Immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be mentioned among you, as is fitting among holy ones, no obscenity or silly or suggestive talk, which is out of place, but instead, thanksgiving. Be sure of this, that no immoral or impure or greedy person, that is, an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no one deceive you with empty arguments, for because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the disobedient. So do not be associated with them. For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness; rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says: “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.”