

ULTREYA

Newsletter of the
CURSILLO MOVEMENT
of the
Archdiocese of Detroit



Saturday October 14th

Get your tickets, today!
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Christ Our Light Church
3077 Gloucester Rd.
Troy, MI 48084

CURSILLO

1962-2017

55th Reunion

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CURSILLO CENTER

Sacred Heart Major Seminary – Detroit MI



1987

Rectora: Peggy Martin
Spiritual Directors: Fr. Bob McGrath, Fr. Bob Miller

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Pray for Our Spiritual Directors; and hosts of our Ultreyas

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Father Jack Baker

Father James Mayworm

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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

55th Reunion

Saturday October 14th

Christ Our Light Church

3077 Gloucester Rd.

Troy, MI 48084

Mass at 6:00 pm

Dinner Immediately after
Mass, followed by Fun,
Frivolity, Music, 55/45 Raffle
..... and lots of Memories

Tickets \$35

Please reserve your tickets now (this helps
us with catering and seating)

Tickets available at **all Ultreyas**,
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CURSILLO CALENDAR

Wednesday Oct. 4, 2017

ULTREYA

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
 Saint Genevieve –
 Saint Maurice Church Chapel
 Livonia, MI

Saturday, October 14, 2017

ULTREYA

10:00 – 11:30 am
 Saint Malachy Church
 Rectory Basement
 Sterling Heights, MI

Saturday, October 14, 2017

55th Anniversary of Cursillo

Mass at 6:00 pm; Dinner following
 Christ Our Light Church
 3077 Gloucester
 Troy, MI 48084

Saturday, October 21, 2017

ULTREYA

9:00 – 10:30 am
 Christ the Redeemer Parish
 Library / Meeting Room
 Lake Orion, MI 48350

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

ULTREYA

7:30 – 9:00 pm
 Saint Benedict Church
 Waterford, MI

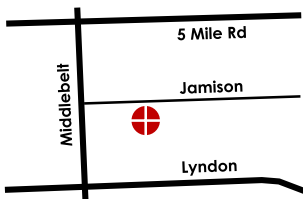
Next Women's Weekend:

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

Next Men's Weekend:

St. Mary's Retreat House
 Dec. 7-10, 2017
 Rector: Tony D'Amico

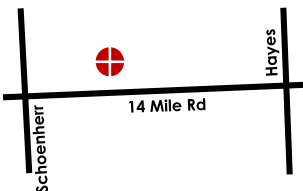
Now, more than ever, reconnect with your Fourth Day Community; attend an ULTREYA near you, this month!



WESTERN WAYNE - Livonia
 (1st Wednesday)

**St. Genevieve-
 St. Maurice Parish**
 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
 29015 Jamison St,
 Livonia, MI 48154

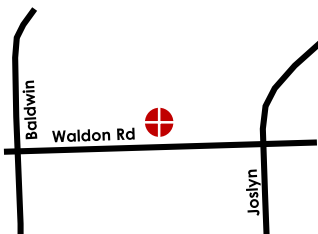
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MACOMB - Sterling Heights
 (2nd Saturday)

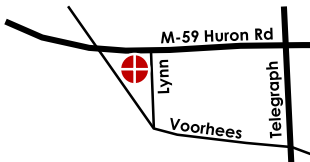
St. Malachy Parish
 (Rectory Basement)
 10:00 – 11:30 am
 Sterling Heights

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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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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PIETY

"What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God."

- Hans Urs von Balthasar

"If you don't behave as you believe, you will end by believing as you behave."

- Archbishop Fulton Sheen

"It is theologically and anthropologically important for woman to be at the center of Christianity. Through Mary, and the other holy women, the feminine element stands at the heart of the Christian religion."

- Pope Benedict XVI

"It is requisite for the relaxation of the mind that we make use, from time to time, of playful deeds and jokes."

- St. Thomas Aquinas

"We sinned for no reason but an incomprehensible lack of love, and He saved us for no reason but an incomprehensible excess of love."

- Peter Kreeft

STUDY

The Holy Spirit:

A Bible Study Guide for Catholics

by Father Mitch Pacwa SJ

2016, Our Sunday Visitor

How to Be Holy:

First Steps in Becoming a Saint

by Dr. Peter Kreeft

2016, Ignatius Press

Lift Up Your Heart:

A Guide to Spiritual Peace

by Archbishop Fulton Sheen

1997 edition,

Ligouri Publications

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.

School of Leaders

TEACHING

Hunger for God

from Eduardo Bonnín's personal writings:

The Cursillo Movement pursues, and by the grace of God, manages to provoke the hunger for God in the person, and if the person continues along the same lines of the Cursillo, it will keep his appetite stimulated, so what is fundamentally Christian in life, will orient, give meaning and be projected in life itself. Hunger for God means a desire and necessity for God. The person discovers that he is - in Christ - the only one that takes himself seriously.

And since it is the person - the whole person - who is saved by Christ, an awareness of the necessity and the desire for Christ is what brings about faith, hope and charity in him in a way that will illuminate his path in order to become what God expects of him.

The person who lives a Cursillo, experiences a great impact. If the Cursillo, the three days, proposes a truly Christian option, it will awaken the hunger for God.

The hunger for God does not develop to be satisfied in the person but rather to be magnified according to the extent of how the person is driven to fidelity. At the same time, the person recognizes that he is being presented with new horizons and new goals that will increase the hunger and therefore, put him within the boundaries of what is possible.

Does everyone who attends a Cursillo actually experience this type of impact, beyond the surface of what is evident or simple intellectual knowledge, that moves the deepest part of the person's being to transform it and cause it to reawaken towards a new fundamental attitude before the meaning of life?

To answer this question, we should keep in mind that the Christian attitude is manifested in three aspects which presents one reality: faith, hope and charity.

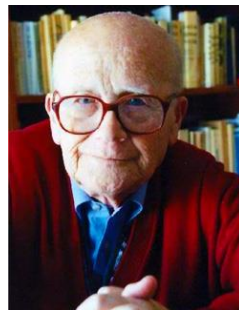
From the evangelical perspective, faith, hope and charity, should not be considered separate from each other. In other words, faith and hope without charity, are neither faith nor hope, nor charity.

The Christian attitude that has emerged in Cursillo will therefore be lacking consistency if one of the three aspects of faith, hope and charity breaks down.

FAITH: Contact with a personal God. Christ. Piety. Robustness and Continuity.

HOPE: To feel loved by God. Energy. Joy. Initiative.

CHARITY: Effectiveness and fair play. To act out of love is not about doing something to have a clear conscience or increase our worthiness. However, an effective and liberating commitment with the demands which awaken the hunger for God will be evident in the double aspect of loving God and loving others.



Eduardo Bonnín Aguiló

Founder of
Cursillos in Christianity
1917 – 2008

The first step in the process for Beatification and Canonization of Eduardo began in Mallorca, Spain on February 5, 2015. The National Secretariat invites you to join them in prayer for Eduardo's canonization into the Sainthood of the Church.

ACTION

The Cursillo movement is truly a gift from God. For many of us the "mountaintop experience" is surely the Weekend. But living the Cursillo experience is much more than simply the Weekend. Cursillo shows us how to 1) know ourselves, 2) know Christ, and 3) know Christ in others. We step through the process by rightly understanding Piety, Study and Action and the implications for us in this New Life we have been shown.

The rollo *Cursillistas beyond the Cursillo* points us in the right direction. We are sent...just as we are sent from every Mass to go and evangelize the world. In the Mass we receive both the Word of God, and the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. But if we are not properly discerning the miracle of the Mass, if we do not fully comprehend what just occurred in receiving the body, blood, soul and divinity of the Lord, then its effect in us will be unrealized.

Properly discerning the truth about the sacraments is essential in allowing God to work in and through us. The passage in the Gospel of Mark, where Jesus is not taken seriously by his friends and relations in Nazareth when he preaches in the synagogue used to bother me. The passage states that Jesus could not do any miracles in their presence. He was amazed by their lack of faith. Surely God can do any miracle he wants and anywhere...how is it he cannot perform a miracle in the presence of the unbelieving?

I believe it is because there was one thing missing. That one thing is (or could be) us. If we do not properly discern God's will for us, we cannot fully participate in the sacrament. If we do not bend our stubborn will to align with His we remain powerless.

Cursillo should not be like a fine coat, which we put on when we are cold or uncomfortable and then cast off when we feel better. Cursillo is, like our Faith, something that is always a part of us. And that is why the pious ones who created Cursillo outlined the need for grouping and Ultreyas. Both of these activities, like the Mass refresh us and allow us to recommit ourselves to the coming of the Kingdom.

If you need refreshment, contact your Cursillo friends, who you may not have talked to for a

talked to for a while, or come to an Ultreya this month to reconnect.

Please understand this doesn't mean we must spend all of our time in Cursillo activities. We can "live Cursillo" working at a soup kitchen or visiting incarcerated men or women. We can live Cursillo in repairing houses for the poor or mowing the lawn of the invalid neighbor down the block.

In Cursillo we have come to know ourselves. We have come to know what needs to be fixed...what needs to be healed. And we have come to know Christ. As Mother Theresa often said, we need to recognize Christ in his most distressing disguises...Cursillo teaches us to do that.

Cursillo is truly a great gift from God.
-- Gordon Peck

FINAL WORD

MARK 6: 34-42

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. By now it was already late and his disciples approached him and said, "This is a deserted place and it is already very late. Dismiss them so that they can go to the surrounding farms and villages and buy themselves something to eat." He said to them in reply, "Give them some food yourselves." But they said to him, "Are we to buy two hundred days' wages worth of food and give it to them to eat?"

He asked them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out they said, "Five loaves and two fish." So he gave orders to have them sit down in groups on the green grass. The people took their places in rows by hundreds and by fifties. Then, taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to [his] disciples to set before the people; he also divided the two fish among them all. They all ate and were satisfied.