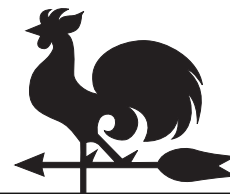


Next Ultreya: January 10
Next Steering Committee Meeting: January 19



January 2009

EASTERN AREA CURSILLO COMMUNITY **The 4th Day News**

Anticipate bringing people to Jesus

It is two days before Christmas as I am writing this meditation. I, like many of you, am full of the anticipation and excitement for the birth of Jesus. Being a father, I have experienced the excitement and joy of the birth of two children. However, I can only imagine the joy and excitement Mary and Joseph must have felt knowing that they were about to give birth and bring into the world the Saviour of all mankind, the Son of God.

By the time you receive this newsletter the celebration of the birth of Jesus will be behind us and we will be entering a new calendar year—2009. If we do our work, the work God has called us to do, we will again be able to experience the anticipation and joy of bringing people just a little bit closer to Jesus. We will have at least four opportunities to do so this year. In some cases it may be a “birth,” in other cases it may be a “rebirth.” Which ever it is, you must admit it is very exciting to sponsor and follow a candidate through a beautiful Cursillo weekend.

I can think of a no better gift than giving and sharing Jesus with others. I would like to issue a challenge to each of you: sponsor, two candidates, one man and one woman, for one of our weekends. I promise you, if you do this you will make two friends for life.

Remember, God loves all of you very much and so do I.

Deacon Bob Ulbrich

January 10 • Ultreya & Town Meeting

Come and help shape the future of our Cursillo Community on January 10 at Holy Cross Parish Center in Champaign. We will begin at 6:30 with a message from Monsignor Ramer. Following this we will have an open forum in a small group setting. Light refreshments will be served.

The purpose of the open forum is to discuss how we can improve our Cursillo community, committes, and weekends. We want to hear any concerns you have in your experience with the Eastern Area Cursillo. We also want to hear your ideas and suggestions—for weekends, for team meetings, for any of the committee areas, for Ultreyas, for newsletters, for any aspect of our Cursillo community!

We need to begin the new year with renewed passion and vision for the work of God through our Cursillo weekends. We'll start January 10 with honest reflection on our past. Prayerfully consider your thoughts and ideas and come ready to speak the truth in love. Your participation will help us to become a better instrument of God's grace.

We praise Thee O God, for the Son of Thy love, for Jesus who died and is now gone above.

Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Hallelujah, amen! Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Revive us again.

We praise Thee O God, for Thy Spirit of light, Who has shown us our Savior and banished our night.

Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Hallelujah, amen! Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Revive us again.

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain, Who has taken our sins and has cleansed every stain.

Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Hallelujah, amen! Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Revive us again.

Revive us again—fill each heart with Thy love; May each soul be rekindled with fire from above.

Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Hallelujah, amen! Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Revive us again.

The Hymn “Revive Us Again” by William P. Mackay

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Thank you Dean's Blueprint for printing our newsletter!

EACC 2009 Calendar

January 10	Ultreya (Town Meeting) at Holy Cross
January 19	EACC Steering Committee at Holy Cross Parish Center
February 7	Ultreya at St. Pat's
February 12–15	Men's Cursillo at Our Lady of the Lake, Mahomet
March 14	Ultreya TBA
March 26–29	Women's Cursillo at St. Pat's, Urbana
April 18	Ultreya TBA
May 9	Ultreya TBA
June 4–7	Men's Cursillo at St. Thomas More H.S., Champaign
June 13	Ultreya TBA
July 11	Ultreya TBA
August 8	Ultreya TBA
September 12	Ultreya TBA
October 10	Ultreya at St. Charles Borromeo, Homer
October 22–25	Women's Cursillo at St. Pat's, Urbana
November 12–15	Men's Cursillo at Holy Cross, Champaign
November 21	Ultreya TBA
December	No Ultreya

The application deadline for both the February 12–15 Men's weekend and the March 26–29 Women's weekend is January 26.

Prayers and Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathies go out to Marion Birks, whose wife, Anna, passed away December 10, 2008.

Men's Team • Cursillo #906 • February 12–15, 2009

Rector: Roy Humphrey	Friday	8:40 a.m.	Ideal	A.J. Bailey
Assistants: Denis Fisher, Mike Burge		10:00 a.m.	Sanctifying Grace	Deacon Hank Hart
		1:25 p.m.	Layman	Mike Eubanks
Spiritual Director:		2:40 p.m.	Actual Grace	Rev. Ervin Williams
Deacon Ed Mueller		6:40 p.m.	Piety	Dave Krisman
Board Advisor: Dick Baxley	Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Study	Dick Steeves
Auxiliaries: Rick Bugera, Bob Mueller, Dick Obermiller, Mike O'Brien, Seamus Reilly		10:30 a.m.	Sacramental Grace	Deacon Ed Mueller
		2:45 p.m.	Action	John Kleiss
		4:45 p.m.	Obstacles to Grace	Deacon John Leonard
		6:45 p.m.	Leaders	Mark Cousert
	Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Environment	Mark Bezdon
		9:35 a.m.	Life in Grace	Deacon Ed Mohrbacher
		11:05 a.m.	CCIA	Johnny Deponai
		12:30 p.m.	Total Security	Roy Humphrey
		2:00 p.m.	Fourth Day	Liam O'Sullivan

Men's Cursillo Weekend Events

The following Palanca events are at Our Lady of the Lake Church in Mahomet:

- **Commissioning Family Mass**—6:00 pm, Tuesday, February 10.
- **Candidate Registration**—7:00 pm, Thursday, February 12.
- **Sponsor's Hour** (Sponsors: you need to be here! All are welcome to come.)—8:00 pm, Thursday, February 12.
- *Be part of the visual expression of God's extreme love and amazing grace*—**Apostolic Hour (Candlelight)** at 8:00 pm (Social at 7:00 pm), Saturday, February 14.
- *Come praise God with us as we witness the mighty works of His Holy Spirit among us*—**Clausura (Closing)** at 5:00 pm, Sunday, February 15.

The Registration Chairperson must have **8 applications in hand before team meetings are scheduled to begin** in order for preparations for the weekend to continue. The application deadlines for upcoming Cursillo weekends will be given in the Cursillo newsletter on a regular basis. The Secretariat appreciates all the hard work the team and Cursillo community put in for a Cursillo weekend. In order to avoid the disappointment of postponing a weekend, we want to be assured we have enough candidates before moving forward with the hard work of preparation.

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Return Service Requested

Team Meetings

The **MEN'S** team will resume their team meetings at Our Lady of the Lake in Mahomet on Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30 pm. The family mass will be on February 10 at 6:30 pm at Our Lady of the lake.

The **WOMEN'S** team will begin their team meetings at Our Lady of the Lake in Mahomet on Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30 pm. Their first three team meeting will be at at Our Lady of the Lake.

Please come and support the men' and women's teams by coming to the mass/prayer service that begins their evening of preparation.

WANTED: Church Representatives

We are looking for volunteers to be representatives for Cursillo at their church. Volunteers would be responsible for providing information about upcoming Cursillos for their church's bulletin/newsletter (see the suggested text in this newsletter). The announcement should go into the bulletin/newsletter three months before a weekend. As the application deadline for the weekend gets closer, it would be good to put the announcement in the bulletin/newsletter a few more times. Volunteers would also be the contact person in their church for people interested in Cursillo, available to answer questions and help arrange sponsors.

Call Dick Baxley at 217-867-2686, or e-mail him at rdbaxley@hotmail.com.

Note the New Policy for Cursillo Application Deadlines

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