



Green Bay Diocese Cursillo Newsletter

March 2017 – Women's

Slow Down – Enjoy the Ride Spiritual Director's Comments

Rushing to work, I was driving too fast and was pulled over by the highway patrol. The state trooper noticed that my shirt had the name of a local high school on it. "I teach math there," I explained. The trooper smiled and said, "Okay, here's the problem. A teacher is speeding down the highway at 16 mph over the limit. At \$12 for every mile, plus \$40 court costs, plus the rise in her insurance, what's the total cost?" I replied, "Taking that total, subtracting the low salary I receive, multiplying it by the numbers of kids I teach who hate math, then adding to that the fact that none of us would be here without teachers, I would say 'Zero.'" He handed back my license, "Math was never my favorite subject," he admitted. "Please slow down."

This weekend is a chance for a group of wonderful women to slow down; whether teachers or not, they are undoubtedly speeding down the road of life. And it is an equal chance for all of us to slow down as well, to lighten the load with prayer, to focus on others rather than ourselves—in other words, to do palanca. May each of us take a deep breath, feel the power of the Holy Spirit coming over us, and, in doing so, prompt good things to happen in the lives of these babe-chicks. Blessings on them and all of us!

De Colores,

Fr. Dave

Passing the Torch Lay Director's Comments

As I write this, my final article as Lay Director, I look back on the past two years with mixed emotions. I pray that I have let the Holy Spirit work through me to guide the Cursillo Movement of the Green Bay Diocese. I am so grateful for the support of so many good friends who have supported me through the past two years. I especially want to thank my husband, Dave, who was a great sounding board and my best cheerleader. I've learned a lot about myself, and this beautiful family called Cursillo and I feel humbled to have served as its "leader".

All that being said, I leave the position as lay director, knowing that we will be in the best of hands, as the Assistant Lay Director, Joe Mongin, will step in as Lay Director. Joe is one of the most humble, and faith-filled men that I know, and I know he will let the Holy Spirit guide him. Let's all pray that God graces Joe with all he needs to lead our Cursillo movement through these next two years.

I'd also like to remind you that the Secretariat has several positions open. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you, or someone you know, to help lead this movement. You can submit your name, or nominate someone else via the prayer chain. Please include contact information. Randy Barrett, who takes care of the prayer chain will pass any names on to Joe and myself.

May God's peace and blessings be with you throughout this beautiful Lenten season!

With Gratitude,

Joan VanEperen

Behold

Assistant Spiritual Director Comments

“Behold, I bring you tidings of great joy”

“Behold the Lamb of God”

“Behold the man”

“Behold your Mother”

“Behold, I make all things new”

When we see the word “behold” in Scripture we know that the inspired author is trying to get our attention. We may tend to interpret “behold” simply as an archaic or ancient way to say “see”. Yes, it means see, but it is asking us for so much more.

We are invited in these special moments to see beyond the purely physical scene in front of us. We are invited to “see” the deeper meaning – the depth of God’s love for us, the expanse of God’s mercy for us, to the extremes of humility that God will go through to reach out to us, the enormity of his generosity in his many gifts of grace for each of us.

As part of our palanca for the women of Cursillo #244 during their weekend let us all be especially aware when we hear the words from the priest as he elevates the consecrated body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ and says, “*Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.*”

May we and these women see past any feelings of unworthiness, past any perceived shortcomings, past any hurts and pains and hardness in our hearts to the reality of the deep and deepening relationship we are being invited into by our Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed are we.

Behold,

Deacon Dan Wagnitz

Day of Enrichment Recap

The 11th Annual Day of Enrichment was held on Saturday, February 4th at Holy Cross Parish in Kaukauna and it was a spirit filled day enjoyed by approximately 110 Cursillistas! The speakers Father Walter Stumpf, Kim Gindt, and Marlene Buboltz did a wonderful job sharing their witness as to what Cursillo has meant to them and what they have done because of it. Thanks to Ellen Scheibe for providing music and as emcee Joan Van Eperen did a wonderful job keeping things flowing and on track. She was light hearted, funny, and so easy to listen to. It was wonderful to have Father Dave and Deacon Mark share their wisdom with us, and Mass was wonderful! We were blessed to have Father Willie join us for at least part of the day. We received positive feedback on the speakers, Mass, and the box lunches. The Discipleship prayer cards were enjoyed by all!

Watch the Cursillo web site and your mail box for information on next year’s Day of Enrichment. This is such a wonderful day for you to live out your 4th day, to reconnect with fellow cursillistas that you may not have seen in a long time, and rekindle the flame that was started on your cursillo weekend.

If you did not receive a registration post card it may be because we do not have correct mailing info for you. Please let our mailing list coordinator, Julie Huss, know if you did not receive a post card so she can update your information in our database. Julie can be reached at ajatjhuss@new.rr.com or 920-740-8847.

The Holy Spirit was truly present from the early planning stages through to the very end of this inspiring day. Plans are already being made for next year’s Day of Enrichment to be held at Holy Cross on February 10, 2018.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support of the Day of Enrichment!

*Andy & Dianne Pichette
Mark & Sally Gruber*

Women's Cursillo #244 March 16 - 19, 2017

St John the Baptist Parish – Green Bay

TEAM

Rector: Vonnie Giffin
920-739-8334

Vice Rector: Marlene Buboltz
920-241-0929

Spiritual Director: Fr. Walter Stumpf
920-841-0898

Asst. Spiritual Director: Dcn Rick Hocking
920-420-6912

Proctors: Paula LaChapelle 920-609-2206
Carol Quinn 920-725-0214
Christina Buchinger 920-819-5960
(Kitchen) Chris Jacobson 920-740-0054
(Music) Sherry Zwicky 920-810-3046

Palanca Address: Attn: Cursillo #244 Palanca
PO Box 184
Little Chute, WI 54140

Serenade: 6:00 PM – Look for Signs

Emergency Phones: 920-740-0054/920-241-0929

Prayer Service: 7:15 pm with Dcn Conrad Kieltyka
for sponsors and others interested

DAY CHAIRPERSONS

Set Up: Thursday, March 16 @12:00pm

Vic Vosters 734-1249/Brent & Jenn Jensen 262-391-0014

Thursday Night: Barb Koster

920-359-1238

Friday: Barb Koster

920-359-1238

Breakfast 7:45

Lunch 12:30

Supper 6:00

Saturday: Diane & Andy Pichette

920-655-4672

Breakfast 7:00

Agape 1:30

Supper 6:15

Sunday: Kristin Russel/Sarah Rose Van Camp

314-401-3297 / 920-419-4588

Breakfast 7:35

Lunch 12:00

Supper 5:30

Clean Up: Sunday @ 4:30

Vic Vosters 734-1249/Brent & Jenn Jensen
262-391-0014 / 920-279-5982

Directions: From South – Take I-41 North, Take Exit 170 for US-141/S Velp Ave, go left on Velp, pass through one roundabout. Turn left on Glendale. From East (Manitowoc) – Take I-43 N toward Green Bay, merge onto WI-172 via Exit 180 toward WI-31/Austin Straubel Airport. Merge onto I-41 N toward Marinette, take Exit 170 for US-141/S Velp Ave, go left on Velp, pass through one roundabout. Turn left on Glendale. St John the Baptist Parish, 2561 Glendale Ave, Green Bay

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To see an updated list of candidates right up to the cursillo e-mail Bob Varick bvarick@new.rr.com