



## **Green Bay Diocese Cursillo**

**Coming soon! #256 Women's weekend-Oct 28-31st**  
**Get your Palanca ready!**

### **Spiritual Director Reflection**

A few weeks ago, I was looking out across a lake in northern Wisconsin and admiring the trees that were beginning to change color as they began their annual transition from summer to winter. The calendar has said goodbye to summer and welcomed in fall, but we are not quite ready to give up those days of bright sunshine and warmth. As I sat there, I was struck by the fact that God in his awesome creativity doesn't just flip a switch and we move from summer to winter, but he lets us down gently with warm days under bright blue skies and cool crisp nights perfect for a good night's sleep. And then to top it off, he gives us a sendoff of amazing beauty as the woods and forests explode in an array of reds and oranges and yellows that mix in with the evergreens to create a painting that is truly awe inspiring. If we have to move on to the dormancy of winter, at least we can go out with a bang.

I also couldn't help but think about the seasons of my own spiritual life, that there have been the summer times when I've enjoyed basking in the warmth of our Lord's presence, feeling secure and loved. I have experienced fall times when the difficulties and stresses of life have taken me away from his presence and brought me to the cold and desolation of a winter where God had seemed so far away and out of reach. And I have had spring times when I have realized the error of my ways and have come back to his open arms like the prodigal son, wanting to be closer than ever.

We are deeply connected to all that God has created and, in many ways, we imitate the movements of nature and everything in it. This connection allows us to always have hope. Hope that no matter what is happening in our lives, a new season is just around the corner. Hope that God is at work in every season, regardless of whether or not we feel his presence. And hope that whenever we go through a winter, there is a spring just around the corner where we can grow stronger and more in love with God than ever before.

We have just finished up our first men's Cursillo in two years and now look forward to the upcoming women's Cursillo. It is a time for us to be filled with gratitude for what the Cursillo movement has meant to us in the past, and to be filled with hope for those whose lives will be changed in the future.

De Colores!

Deacon Dave Van Eperen

### **Lay Director Message**

Recently, while driving to an early morning exercise class, I was surrounded by a dense fog which had formed due to the weather conditions that day. The dark sky and the thick fog made navigating the very familiar roads unusually difficult. As I approached the first intersection, I rolled down my windows and listened for cars to approach, while at the same time watched and waited for headlights that would signal oncoming traffic. Because the landmarks and street signs were difficult to see, I missed a turn on the way. What was normally a quick and easy drive turned out to be a challenging way to start the day. Thankfully, I arrived safely at my destination, and didn't have to deal with the fog on the drive home.

This experience reminded me that sometimes we enter into a sort of spiritual fog when conditions in our life change. We may get busy with work and social commitments, have health or financial issues to deal with, or maybe tensions in the family rise. Any number of things can easily steer us off our path. During these times when the fog settles in around us, we may lose track of the landmarks and guideposts that we usually rely upon, and we may momentarily lose our way. In reality, these are the times that we should turn to the sturdy tripod of Piety, Study and Action that we learned about on

our Cursillo weekend, knowing that they are always out there, even if momentarily hidden by the fog. Perhaps meditating on a Scripture passage or spending some time in the adoration chapel would allow us to be still and hear what God is trying to say to us during a challenging time. Tuning into Relevant Radio or listening to a Catholic Lighthouse Media presentation might just give us the answer to a question that is weighing on the heart. Reaching out to a friend in need or paying it forward could be what we need to refocus and realign our priorities. The grace that we receive when we live out our faith is truly a gift from God. It is a gift that He continues to offer, and it is one that helps us navigate the road that leads out of the fog and into true happiness.

De Colores!  
 Sally Gruber  
 Lay Director

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From Anne Shelley, Newsletter and Member Database person

#####CURSILLO 256 INFORMATION AND LIST OF CANDIDATES#####

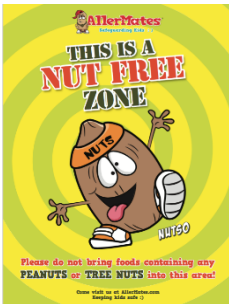
October 28 –31, 2021, at Holy Cross, Kaukauna

*Holy Cross Church is located at Desnoyer, and Doty Streets and St. Ignatius Catholic School is located next to the on Doty. [I-41, Wisconsin to 309 Desnoyer St, Kaukauna, WI 54130 - Google Maps](#)*

Take HWY 41 to HWY 55 in Kaukauna. Go South on 55. Turn right on Lawe St. Turn right on Sarah St. A Little over 1 mile and about 2.5 minutes.

CANDIDATES FOR #256. This list is current as of October 18, 2021  
 Sponsors... Please make sure Candidates accepted after this date receive Palanca. For more information on Cursillo and the Green Bay Diocese Movement go to: [www.cursillo.org/Greenbay](http://www.cursillo.org/Greenbay)

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**Heads Up Cursillastas!!! All snacks, candies, and baked goods must be NUT FREE**

## TEAM MEMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

| TEAM                  |   |                   | DAY CHAIRPERSONS                  |                       |                |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| RECTOR                | JULIE HUSS  | (920) 740-8847    | SET UP<br>CHAIRPERSONS            | KEITH DENEYES         | (920)865-1200  |
| VICE RECTOR           | KAY WEINS   | (920) 475-6460    | SET UP DATE & TIME                | 10/27 AT 6 P.M.       |                |
| SPIRITUAL<br>DIRECTOR | DCN DAVE<br>DEYOUNG   | (920)606-1635     | THURSDAY NIGHT<br>CHAIRPERSONS    | ELMER EITING          | (920)428-2036  |
| SPIRITUAL<br>DIRECTOR | DCN RICK<br>HOCKINGS  | (920) 420-6912    | <b>FRIDAY<br/>CHAIRPERSON</b>     | LARRY<br>PUTZSTUCK    | (920)205-3043  |
| KITCHEN<br>PROCTOR    | TRISH TETZLAFF  | (920) 428-5708    |                                   | BREAKFAST             | 7:45 A.M.      |
| PROCTOR               | KELLY WATRAS  | (920) 268-2818    |                                   | LUNCH                 | 12:30 P.M.     |
| PROCTOR               | TWILA MEO   | (920) 819-2065    |                                   | DINNER                | 6:00 P.M.      |
| PROCTOR               | DANA WEBER  | (920) 284-4792    |                                   |                       |                |
| PROCTOR               | DARLENE<br>STERCKX  | (920) 680-6574    |                                   |                       |                |
| MUSIC<br>MINISTER     | KATE FANNIN   | (920) 470-3315    | <b>SATURDAY<br/>CHAIRPERSON</b>   | MARK TETZLAFF         | (920) 915-9395 |
|                       |   |                   |                                   | BREAKFAST             | 7:00 A.M.      |
| PALANCA<br>ADDRESS    | Attn: Cursillo #256 Palanca<br>PO BOX 184<br>LITTLE CHUTE, WI 54140 |                   |                                   | LUNCH                 | 1:30 P.M.      |
|                       |   |                   |                                   | DINNER                | 6:15 P.M.      |
|                       |   |                   | <b>SUNDAY<br/>CO-CHAIRPERSONS</b> | WALLY<br>THOMSON      | (920) 809-6855 |
| SERENADE              | 6 P.M.  | LOOK FOR<br>SIGNS |                                   | DEAN & LAURIE<br>DAUL | (920) 858-7371 |
|                       |   |                   |                                   | BREAKFAST             | 7:35 A.M.      |
|                       |   |                   |                                   | LUNCH                 | 12:00 P.M.     |
|                       |   |                   |                                   | DINNER                | 5:30 P.M.      |
| EMERGENCY<br>PHONE #  | TT (920) 428-5708<br>JH (920) 740-8847                              |                   | CLEAN UP<br>CHAIRPERSON           | KEITH DENEYES         | (920)865-1200  |