

Green Bay Diocese Cursillo Newsletter

# Men's - October 2013

## God's Office Hours Spiritual Director's Comments

Here is an actual call-center conversation... Customer: I've been calling 700-1000 for two days and can't get through. Can you help? Operator: Where did you get that number, sir? Customer: It's on the door of your business. Operator: Sir, those are the hours that we are open.

Fortunately for us, God doesn't have office hours or put us on hold, yet even with his great largesse, we sometimes get confused, rattled, or convince ourselves that he is in a coma. How many times, for example, did God have to send cursillistas into our lives to invite us to join them till we finally said yes? But God wouldn't quit or get frustrated; instead, with divine patience, he just kept gently working at us. We might use his example to follow that same process—to be great listeners (always there for others who have a burden or a joy to share) and gentle persuaders (through our joyful example rather than our verbal litanies).

As we pray and do palanca for the new babechicks, let us do so with renewed confidence in God's presence and God's plan and may those who are preparing for their "rest-of-their-lives" fourth-day, discover that same confidence and patience.

De Colores,

Fr. Dave

## Changes in the Air Lay Director's Comments

The air is changing as we are coming into the fall season and along with that are changes in the Secretariat... I am excited and honored to take on the role of Lay Director for Cursillo of the Green Bay Diocese. I have been involved in the Cursillo movement ever since my Cursillo weekend in 1992 and continue to be very active in various areas. I feel very blessed to have so many Cursillista friends that share the love of their faith as well.

Our many grateful thanks to Pat Mongin, who completed his term as Lay Director and will continue by serving with the School of Leaders, and to Diane Pichette as she has completed her term as Recording Secretary. We were truly blessed to have both of them as part of the Secretariat.

After prayer and selected by lottery, I am happy to announce our new Assistant Lay Director is Joan VanEperen. This will be a 2 year commitment and then she will move into the Lay Director position for another 2 years. Joan is a member of St. John Parish in Little Chute and has been involved with Cursillo, since her weekend in 2003, by serving on Cursillo weekends and being part of the School of Leaders Team. She will also serve on Team Formation.

We are thankful that Executive Secretary, Kay Weins will continue on. She is a member of Holy Cross Parish, Kaukauna. Kay has been very active as well, by serving on Team and School of Leaders, maintaining updates of the manuals along with keeping our Cursillo computer up and running.

Furthermore, we want to thank those who have changed their roles as they graciously continue to serve. Jim Newhouse (Team formation to Closing Coordinator), Elaine Diedrick (Team Formation will continue Locations), Tom Gritton (Pre-Cursillo Communications to Team Formation), and to Greg McLean (Palanca), who has moved on.

We also extend a warm welcome to several newcomers to the Secretariat, giving their time and talents as well. Karen Stumpf has joined us as Recording Secretary, Joe Mongin (Palanca), and Jim & Sherry Zwicky (Pre-Cursillo Communications.) You will be able to contact all of Cursillo through the website us at: www.cursillo.org/Greenbay. DeColores!

~Vonnie Giffin ~

Delight yourself in the Lord and he shall give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4

We've all heard the Cursillo weekend described as a short course in Christianity. We might describe the weekend as the basic course, Christianity 101. For a deeper understanding of the Cursillo movement we suggest the advanced course, Christianity 201, the **Cursillo School of Leaders**.

Are you interested in learning more about the Cursillo Movement? Would you like to know what's involved in working on a team? Then consider attending some sessions of the School of Leaders. This is an opportunity to learn more about your fellow Cursillistas, the Cursillo movement itself, and to express your interest in working on a Cursillo Team.

Attending the School of Leaders does not guarantee that you will be asked to serve on a Cursillo Team, but it helps if you are involved and have the chance to share your gifts. The School of Leaders is not a training school for speakers, but speakers naturally emerge from the School of Leaders.

Each session of the School of Leaders generally consists of the following: (1) an overview of some aspect of the Cursillo movement, (2) a discussion of a faith related topic, and (3) small group reunions.

For the 2013-2014 school year, we will continue taking the School of Leaders 'on the road' by partnering with Ultreyas around the diocese. We've scheduled the first one in Kaukauna, and are also planning in Green Bay, Oshkosh, New London, Manitowoc, and Appleton before the end of the school year. We will use the Cursillo Prayer Chain emails to communicate the specific dates and times for each location.

We are all called to be leaders in our environments... Please prayerfully consider attending the School of Leaders to learn more about the Cursillo movement and to grow in faith with your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

Respectfully submitted;

Mark Mullins & Randy Barrett

## Pre-Cursillo Communications How Can YOU Help?

In September, my husband Jim Zwicky and I took over the reins for all Pre-Cursillo communications. It is our hope to spread the word about Cursillo to parishes throughout the diocese, so we can recruit more candidates than ever before. In order to accomplish this task, we need your help.

We are looking for people who are willing to be a contact for their parish. Now, you may ask, what does a contact do? Never fear, we are not asking you to stand up in front of a congregation and provide a witness or the value of cursillo in your life...although if you really, truly feel inspired by the Holy Spirit to do this, go for it! Actually, we are hoping to have one or two people from each parish who could act as a contact for any parishioners who may become candidates. Perhaps you could answer any questions a prospective candidate may have, or you may even have an idea of a possible sponsor for this candidate.

If you feel moved to help us out with this task, please contact us at <u>jjzwicky@sbcglobal.net</u> or call 920-886-0083.

#### Jim & Sherry Zwicky

## Calling for all Updates

Just like when you go to the doctor, we are asking you to help us update our records. If you have moved, changed phone numbers, or parish, please let us know so we can update our cursillo mailing list. If you know of a Cursillista that has passed away, please let us know about that too so we can update our mailing list and also have a Mass offered for them.

If you would be willing to receive the newsletter via e-mail instead of snail mail, please let us know about that too. Printing and postage are one of the largest expenses for the Cursillo movement.

Please send any updates to Julie Huss at <u>ajatjhuss@new.rr.com</u>, or call 920-788-8847.

Thank you!

Julie Huss

## Men's Cursillo #229 October 10-13, 2013 Sacred Heart Parish, Shawano

## <u>TEAM</u>

## **DAY CHAIRPERSONS**

Rector:		Bob Varick 920-733-0899	Set Up: Vic Vosters Thurs. Oct 10 <sup>th</sup> 3:30pm 920-734-1249				
Vice Rector:		Larry Heacock	Thursday Ni	=	Greg McLean		
		715-212-9382	-	92	920-360-8184		
Spiritual Director:		Fr. Ted Hendricks	Friday:	Lu	Luke Mongin		
		920-427-1896		920-499-0821			
Asst. Spiritual Director:		Dcn Dave VanEperen		Br	eakfast	7:45	
		920-716-5019		Lu	Inch	12:30	
Proctors:	Bruce Diedri	ck 920-766-9083		Su	upper	6:00	
Fred Stumpf		920-740-8888	Saturday: Jill Heacock				
Joe Mongin		920-676-1981	(H) 920-687-0430 OR (C) 920-470-0566			0-0566	
(kitchen) Andy Pichette		e 920-655-4672		Br	eakfast	7:00	
				Ag	jape	1:30	
Palanca Address: Attn:		Cursillo #229 Palanca		Su	upper	6:15	
PO B		6ox 184	Sunday:	Ma	ark Janus		
Little		Chute, WI 54140	920-676-5363 OR 920-337-7984				
				Br	eakfast	7:35	
Serenade: 6:00 F		PM – Look for Signs		Lu	Inch	12:00	
				Su	upper	5:30	
Emergency Phones: 920-		655-4672 OR 920-676-1981	Clean Up:	Su	Sunday @ 3:30		
				Vie	c Vosters		
Directions: From Green Bay take Hwy 29 West about 32 miles to exit #225/WI 22 for Shawano/Clintonville. Turn right on WI-22 and go							

about 1.5 miles. Turn right on E. Center Street, church will be on your right. From Appleton/Oshkosh take Hwy 47 North to Hwy 29. Take Hwy 29 West to exit #225/WI 22 for Shawano/Clintonville. Turn right on WI-22 and go about 1.5 miles. Turn right on E. Center Street, church will be on your right.

Sacred Heart address: 124 E Center St, Shawano, WI

There is room for more candidates. Talk to God about your friends, then talk to your friends about cursillo, then, get their application in!

Sponsors... Please make sure Candidates accepted after this date receive Palanca. For more information on Cursillo and the Green Bay Diocese Movement go to: <u>www.cursillo.org/Greenbay</u>

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

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