Sponsor's Responsibilities

Candidate selection along with candidate preparation for the Cursillo is important and necessary.

The Sponsors, preferably the whole Friendship Group, or individual persons, are responsible for:

- Providing their candidates with the necessary information about the purpose of the Cursillo Movement.
- Showing, not telling, the candidate how to be Christian by the way he/she lives their life, loving God and their neighbor.
- Sharing key activities of the Cursillo Weekend, starting with Thursday night, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
- Telling their candidates about Group Reunion and Ultreya, which will help them to persevere in their conversion process and motivate them to live what is fundamental to Being a Christian with others.

Above all else, the Sponsor should be an active member of a Friendship Group Reunion and attending the Ultreya on a regular basis. Actions speak louder than words!

Through the method of friendship, the Sponsor will learn many things about the candidate, such as marital status, number of children; parish the candidate belongs to, specific environments that the candidate is immersed in, and reasons why this candidate should or should not attend the Cursillo Weekend.

This information is helpful to provide some background information on the application form to the Diocesan Secretariat or Precursillo section.

Sponsors need to be informed up front that their <u>service</u> will involve time for <u>personal contact</u> with the candidate, <u>authentic witness</u>, and <u>real Palanca</u>. It is absolutely necessary to prepare the candidate (your friend) with a view toward Postcursillo. There is no better preparation and attraction for the candidate (your friend) than a personal and authentic witness of our 4th Day being lived out.