

Cursillo News for Mar. – Apr. 2012

Calendar of Events

March 2-3, 2012	Practice Weekend , at St. John Nepomucene, Weston (Secretariat Meeting to follow Practice Weekend)
March 8-11, 2012	Men's Three Day Weekend , at St. John Nepomucene, Weston
March 11, 2012	Men's Closing , 5:00pm (4pm Mass) St. John Nepomucene, Weston
March 22-25, 2012	Women's Three Day Weekend , at St. John Nepomucene, Weston
March 25, 2012	Women's Closing , 5:00pm (4pm Mass) St. John Nepomucene, Weston
April 14, 2012	SOL - 9:30am – 2:30pm (Mass at 9:00am); Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Lincoln, NE
April 27-29, 2012	Region VI Spring Encounter (Alpha & Omega Center, 1002 N. 204th St., Elkhorn, NE (Omaha Spanish will host); Registration Form in Newsletter.
May 12, 2012	Secretariat Meeting , Blessed John XXIII, Lincoln - 9:30am (9:00am Mass)
June 9, 2012	SOL - 9:30am – 2:30pm (Mass at 9:00am); Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Lincoln, NE (This will be the second in a row at IHM (eastern location) in order to accommodate having the August SOL in the western part of the Diocese.)
June 24, 2012	Grand Ultreya – Location to be announced.
July 14, 2012	Secretariat Meeting , Blessed John XXIII, Lincoln - 9:30am (9:00am Mass)
July 19-22, 2012	2012 National Cursillo Encounter (note the earlier date), Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH. Registration Form in this Newsletter.
August 10-12, 2012	FOURTH DAY RETREAT – St. Patrick Church Hall, Imperial, NE (a registration form with details will be included in the May-June Newsletter). There will be a potluck dinner and Ultreya on Saturday beginning at 6:00pm – ALL are invited, whether participating in the retreat or not.
September 8, 2012	Secretariat Meeting , Blessed John XXIII, Lincoln - 9:30am (9:00am Mass)
Sept. 28-29, 2012	Fall 2012 Region VI Encounter –Kansas City, KS, Savior Pastoral Center.
October 13, 2012	SOL - 9:30am – 2:30pm (Mass at 9:00am); St. Ann Parish, Doniphan, NE
November 10, 2012	Secretariat Meeting , Blessed John XXIII, Lincoln - 9:30am (9:00am Mass)

[For your planning purposes, SOL is generally the second Saturday of the even numbered months (Feb., April, etc.), and Secretariat meetings are generally the second Saturday of the odd numbered months (Jan., March, etc.).]

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Just a reminder ... Palanca is the backbone of the Cursillo Movement and essential for the spiritual success of each Three Day Weekend, as well as in every Fourth Day. As the candidates are living their Three Day Weekend, your spending time with our Lord before the Blessed Sacrament is the best means of helping them encounter Him. Please make sure the assigned hours are covered according to the locations listed below, or contact a neighboring Ultreya Center for assistance ... He's counting on YOU!!!

Please come to the Men's and Women's Closings (5:00 pm) to welcome the new 4th Dayers (4:00 pm Mass for those who would like to assist).



Lift them up in prayer ...

*Send Palanca to:
St. John Nepomucene
Attn: Cursillo Palanca
PO Box 10
Weston, NE 68070*

PRAYER/ADORATION HOURS (by Ultreya Center) for the March 2012 Weston Minden Weekends

Thursday, 7:00pm - Friday, 1:00am	Hastings/Holdrege/Minden
Friday, 1:00am - 7:00am	Beatrice/Crete/Hebron
Friday, 7:00am - 1:00pm	Lincoln Vietnamese and English
Friday, 1:00pm - 7:00pm	Southwestern Nebraska (McCook/Imperial/Grant)
Friday, 7:00pm - Saturday 1:00am	Nebraska City/Plattsmouth
Saturday, 1:00am - 7:00am	Hastings/Holdrege/Minden
Saturday, 7:00am - 1:00pm	Beatrice/Crete/Hebron
Saturday, 1:00pm - 7:00pm	Southwestern Nebraska (McCook/Imperial/Grant)
Saturday, 7:00pm - Sunday 1:00am	Lincoln Vietnamese and English
Sunday, 1:00am - Sunday, 7:00am	Nebraska City/Plattsmouth
Sunday, 7:00am - 5:00pm	David City/Shelby/Wahoo

Who did God put in your thoughts to invite? Have you done it?

1. Ultreya Center News:

Details regarding upcoming Ultreyas are included on the next page and on the outside cover of each Newsletter and are also available on the diocesan webpage:

*<http://www.seas-np.org/cursillolincoln.html>.
[NOTE THE NEW WEBPAGE ADDRESS]*

- The **Beatrice/Crete/Hebron/Lincoln Ultreya Center** continues its rotation of locations ... The **March** Ultreya would *normally* be held at 5:00pm on **March 25, 2012**. However, since this is the date and time of the **Women's Closing** in Weston, ALL cursillistas in the Lincoln Diocese are encouraged to come to the Closing and welcome the new cursillistas into the Fourth Day (rather than have Ultreyas). The **April** Ultreya will be held at 5:00pm on **April 22** at Sacred Heart, Crete.
- The **Southwest Ultreya Center** will continue to rotate its Ultreya location between McCook and Imperial. The **March** Ultreya will be held **March 11** at 3:30 pm CT in the basement of St. Patrick Church in McCook. The **combined April-May** Ultreya will be held **May 6 (due to Easter being on April 8 and Mother's Day on May 13)** at 2:30 pm MT in the St. Patrick Parish Hall in Imperial
- The **Hastings-Holdrege-Minden Ultreya Center** will hold its next Ultreya on **Sunday, May 6, at 2:30 pm** at St. John the Baptist Church in Minden.
- The **Plattsmouth/Nebraska City Ultreya Center** – Check the parish bulletin for Church of the Holy Spirit in Plattsmouth (www.holyspiritplattsmouth.com), or contact Terry Little for more information.
- The **Weston-Wahoo Ultreya Center** will continue to hold Ultreyas at St. John Nepomucene School in Weston, normally on the 3rd Sunday of the month. The **March** Ultreya would *normally* be held **March 18** at 7:00 pm. However, since the Cursillo Weekends are scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Sundays of Mass and will be held in Weston, all cursillistas in the Lincoln Diocese are being encouraged to come to the **Closings** (the Men's on **March 11 at 5:00pm** and the Women's on **March 25 at 5:00pm**) in lieu of having a **March Ultreya**. The **April** Ultreya will be held on **Sunday, April 15, at 7:00 pm**.
- The **Vietnamese-language Ultreya** continues to be held the fourth Sunday of each month at 3:30pm at **Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Lincoln**.

2. Precursillo/Three Days

The **Three Day Weekends** scheduled to be held at **St. John Nepomucene in Weston** are fast approaching. It's not too late to invite candidates, but please do so SOON!! We are sending the Newsletter out early as a reminder that, if you have not already done so, you need to speak to your friend about encountering Christ on a Cursillo Weekend in the very near future (but only after first talking to God about your friend). It takes time once the applications are turned in to get information to the candidates and make the necessary preparations, so **PLEASE get applications in as soon as possible**.

Precursillo/Three Days (continued)

The Weekends are scheduled as follows:

- **Men's Weekend: March 8-11, 2012**
- **Women's Weekend: March 22-25, 2012**

You might ask yourself the question -- *Did Cursillo help me to grow in my spiritual life?* If so, why wouldn't I want that same opportunity/gift for another? If **you** don't invite your friend, who will? If you know of persons who are hungry to know our Lord better, and who want to grow in their spiritual lives, invite them to live a Three Day Weekend.

As always, the most recent registration forms are available from the Cursillo of Lincoln website (<http://www.seas-np.org/cursillolincoln.html>). The registration form and informational flyer may be printed off directly, and the sponsor form is available by contacting John Springer, Lay Director (see contact information on the cover of the Newsletter). The registration form should be filled out by the candidate and returned to you as the sponsor. You can get the sponsor form by using the "Sponsor Form" link at the bottom of the "Three Day Weekend Application Forms" page. Send the completed registration form and sponsor form together with the registration fee (\$20) to the Lay Director (address on the form).

3. Postcursillo

◆ Region VI Spring Encounter (April 27-29)

The **Region VI Spring Encounter** will be hosted by the Spanish Cursillo community of the **Omaha Archdiocese on April 27-29, 2012** at the **Alpha & Omega Center, 1002 N. 204th St, Elkhorn, NE**. The topic of the rollos for the Spring Encounter will be related to **the work of the Precursillo, including the sponsoring of candidates**. A registration form (orange) is included in this Newsletter (the price goes up for registrations after March 31); it will also be posted on the Region VI webpage [<http://www.cursillo.org/region6/encounters.htm>]. Omaha is about as close as it gets for a Regional Encounter, unless our Diocese hosts, so take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to spend time with cursillistas from across our 8-state region.

◆ 22nd National Encounter

Make plans to attend the 22nd National Cursillo Encounter, to be held Thursday, July 19 – Sunday, July 22, 2012, at Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio. The Encounter registration fee is \$385 if you register by May 31, 2012. You are encouraged to make your plans now to attend the National Cursillo Encounter by sending the (white) registration form included in this Newsletter to the National Cursillo Center. You may also register on-line at www.natlcursillo.org. Rooms are assigned on a first come, first serve basis. The registration fee includes three nights lodging, dinner on Thursday evening, three meals on Friday and Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday morning. Shuttle service from Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG) will be provided on Thursday, July 19, 2012.

Departure shuttle will be Sunday, July 22, 2012. Watch the webpage and future newsletters for more details.

4. School of Leaders (SOL)

At the **February 11, 2012, SOL** (held at **St. Ann Parish in Doniphan**), the two Technique Talks came from the book, Study of the Charism. One of the two Technique Talks discussed Eduardo's writings related to understanding a charism by studying the person who received it, and the other provided a clearer understanding of the Cursillo Movement's place as a lay movement in the Catholic Church. The two Doctrinal Talks relate to the same two topics.

The next SOL will be held on **April 14, 2012, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Lincoln** (see the inside cover of the mailing for more information). The English and Vietnamese Schools of Leaders will jointly participate in this School of Leaders. We are very blessed to have Joachim Le, the National Vietnamese-speaking Coordinator, coming to visit our Diocese and School of Leaders to speak to us; he speaks both languages fluently and will help all of us to better understand the charism of Cursillo and how to best use it to help build God's Kingdom in the Lincoln Diocese.

From the Spiritual Advisor

Very soon we will be entering into the season of Lent. Our yearly Lenten journey is our opportunity to respond to God's grace and let Him continue to form and shape us into the persons that He wants us to be. Becoming the person that He wants us to be is the work of a lifetime. However, we must always continue to respond to His graces on a daily basis. Through our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, the Lord invites us to "*take up our cross daily*" and to "*follow Him*". He invites us to a daily metanoia, a daily conversion. He invites us to die to ourselves, to selfishness, and to sin, so that we might better live for Christ. This Lenten journey is an opportunity to better live out our Baptismal promises, so that we can better let the light of Christ shine through us.

As cursillistas, we learned about this daily metanoia, this daily conversion, on our Three Day Weekend. Each week at our Group Reunion and each month at Ultreya, we are invited to reflect on our Piety (the spiritual aids that helped us nurture our vital union with Christ), our Study (what we have done to better know God's gift), and our Action (the apostolic efforts that the Lord wanted to accomplish in His Church through us). These weekly and monthly reunions are opportunities to respond to God's grace and let Him continue to form and shape us into the person that He wants us to be. I encourage you to continue to participate in a Group Reunion and in Ultreya. I also encourage you to invite some of your friends to experience a Three Day Weekend, so that together you and these friends can better let the light of Christ shine through you and bring His light to our world. If you haven't already invited someone to be a candidate for the March Three Day Weekends, please ask God who He wants you to invite to the Weekend, and then actually invite them.

Ask the Lord to help you during this season of Lent to be a better Catholic. Ask the Lord to help you to better live the Cursillo Method. Ask the Lord to form and shape you into the person that He wants you to be. Then, respond to His graces ... put them into action ... bloom where you are planted.

De Colores!! Fr. Mark Seiker

From the Lay Director

It is hard to believe that we are in February already. Christmas came too quickly and passed just as fast. January seemed to fly by, and Spring will be here soon. I miss childhood days when time seemed to go so slowly because every future day was so anticipated.

But these days are also filled with anticipation, even for an old guy like me. I find myself looking forward to Lent and making this the best Lent ever. I look forward to time with family, especially as it continues to grow with new little ones. I look forward to time spent with friends, which never seems to be enough. I look forward to Mass and quiet time spent with our Lord. The days seem to go by quickly, but the moments last a long time.

Our moments are precious gifts. God asks us to live each moment, and within that moment, be the person He wants us to be and to be the best we can. He also loves us unconditionally and asks only for our love, and with that love, our surrender to His love. One of the meditations in the January Magnificat magazine by Sister Ruth Burrows reflected on the Divine Love of God. It is our home and provides everything – both in this life and beyond. We are also called to faith – true surrender to God and His love, which even the thought of, is far beyond what we can ever comprehend. This faith "calls for blind trust" which is complete surrender to His will and love. I find myself longing for that complete surrender and I continue to work on letting go of the world. Little by little, I hope I am on the way, each moment by precious moment.

We are quickly approaching the March Cursillo Weekends. Pray for these Weekends, the candidates, teams, and all those who will give much for them. We all can give, especially prayer and Palanca. I ask that you do pray and offer what you can for the Weekends. Always remember that we are a community of believers and we know that even if God asks much, He rewards with more. Do your best to pray during the Weekends, especially during the times assigned to your Ultreya Center (see the schedule toward the front of the Newsletter). Try to come to the Closings to welcome the new Fourth Dayers into the Cursillo community.

As always, I ask you to please consider coming to the School of Leaders. Cursillo needs you – the Movement needs your enthusiasm, your involvement, your time if you can give it. Cursillo needs us (you and me) to keep it strong in our Diocese. Thank you to all those who contribute in any way – big or small. It is your prayers, support, and Palanca that give the Movement life. Note the dates and locations for the School of Leaders and try to come. Call your friends and come together – you will be glad you did. Please continue to pray for the Cursillo Movement, especially in our Diocese. May God bless you.

De Colores!! John Springer

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Ultreya Centers

- 1) **Beatrice-Crete-Hebron-Lincoln** – Location alternates.....
(usually 4th Sunday of month, 5:00pm)
March 25 – Women’s Closing at 5:00pm in Weston (in place of Ultreya)
April 22 – Sacred Heart Parish (Hebron; 5:00pm)
- 2) **Hastings-Holdrege-Minden** – Contact Mary Ann Connelly
May 6, 2012 at 2:30pm at Minden
(St. John the Baptist Church Hall)
- 3) **Lincoln – Vietnamese Language Group**
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Lincoln
4th Sunday of month, 3:30pm
- 4) **Plattsmouth-Nebraska City**
Check parish bulletin at www.holyspiritplattsmouth.com,
or contact Terry Little
- 5) **Southwestern Nebraska**
Location alternates: McCook/Imperial; Usually 2nd Sunday of month
March 11 – McCook (St. Patrick Church Basement) (3:30pm CT)
May 6 (combined Apr-May) – Imperial (Parish Hall) (2:30pm MT)
- 6) **Weston/David City/Shelby/Wahoo**.....
March 11– Men’s Closing (Weston) in place of Ultreya 5:00pm
March 25– Women’s Closing (Weston) in place of Ultreya 5:00pm
April 15– Weston (St. John Nepomucene School) (7:00pm)

Secretariat Mail

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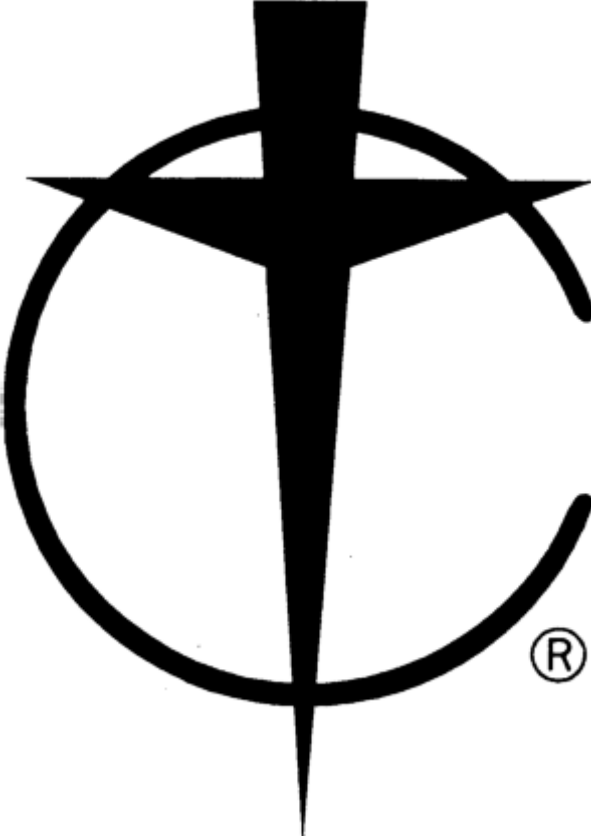
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Applications March 22-25
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Women Nepomucene,
St. John**

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School of Leaders

April 14, 2012

6345 Madison Avenue

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Lincoln, NE

GUEST - Joachim Le (*National Vietnamese-language Coordinator*)

School of Leaders Agenda:

- 9:00am --- Mass (for those who wish to assist)
- 9:30am -- Group Reunion, Session #1, Lunch, Session #2, Visit to Blessed Sacrament, Depart.
- 2:30pm --- Clean up and departure (*estimated time* ... may be slightly earlier ... may be slightly later ...).

Topics of Talks

The **Technique Talks** will either come from the “Study of the Charism” or from other Cursillo-related topics identified by Joachim. “Study of the Charism” is a compilation of writings from Eduardo Bonnin as published in a series of monthly mailings from the OMCC (worldwide Cursillo organization) Executive Committee from 2008 – 2009. Since the topic covered in each chapter can be studied separately, it’s not a difficulty if you missed discussions of earlier chapters. Eduardo’s writings (as well as Joachim’s insights) will give us a better understanding of Cursillo as it was given to Eduardo ... this helps us understand the entire Movement better. You may purchase a copy of the book at SOL for \$6.00, or you may download the 80 page-book from the OMCC webpage (<http://www.orgmcc.org/study/index.htm>).

The **Doctrinal Talks** will continue to relate to topics that will help you grow in your spiritual life.

Please bring the following with you to the SOL (if you have them):

- ◆ **BRING YOUR OWN SACK LUNCH** (to save on time preparing and cleaning up, etc.)
- ◆ **Leaders’ Manual**, if you have one (available for purchase at SOL)
- ◆ *We ask that you consider making a donation to help cover a donation for use of the facility.*

CURSILLO- REGIONAL ENCOUNTER- ELKHORN, NE

April 27-29, 2012 (Friday-Sunday)

Alpha & Omega Center

11002 N. 204th St.

Elkhorn, NE 68022

Local Contact Number (402) 686 1600 Consepcion Mayorga

Please plan on attending the SPRING REGIONAL ENCOUNTER for Cursillistas. Make your reservations by mailing this form to John Jelinek-513 John Street, Hopkins, MN 55343. The cost is \$60.00 for reservations received up until March 31, 2012, and \$70.00 after that date. Checks should be made payable to Region VI Cursillo. Please make reservations so that we can prepare proper amount of food

.A list of area motels is provided on the second page.

You will need to bring your personal items with you, such as towels, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, etc. In addition sleeping accommodations will be Cursillo style, so you will need to bring your sleeping bag, bedroll, pillow, slippers, etc.

Please plan on arriving between 5:00-7:00PM on Friday, or if you are arriving at another time, please let us know below what time to expect you. If you are running late or need help finding the facility, please feel free to call (402)686-1600. This will also be your emergency number for friends and family to contact you in case of an emergency. Your registration fee includes a snack on Friday evening, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner (with late evening snack provided) and Sunday breakfast. A bag lunch will be prepared for those travelling and planning to leave Saturday night or Sunday morning after Mass.

Cut above and mail; please include registration monies for each participant. Again please register by March 31 to save \$10.00 and so we can buy the proper amount of food.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ EMAIL: _____

Sleeping at facility? Yes _____ No _____

Box Lunch for Sunday? Yes _____ No _____

Special Accommodation needed: _____

MAIL TO; JOHN JELINEK-513 JOHN STREET-HOPKINS, MN 55343

22nd National Cursillo[®] Encounter Registration Form
Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH
Thursday, July 19 – Sunday, July 22, 2012

Cost for the 22nd National Encounter is \$385.00

(Please use a separate Registration Form for each person)

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY – THANK YOU – PLEASE FILL IN ALL THE BLANKS)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Work: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Preferred Language: _____

Diocese: _____ Region: _____

Gender (Circle one): Male Female Specify: Bishop, Priest, Deacon, or Religious _____

If you wish to room with a specific person (spouse, friend, relative) **then the other person's Registration Form must accompany this form.**

Roommate preference? (Circle One): Yes No If Yes, Name: _____

Wheelchair/physically challenged: _____

Do you wish to participate with the Encounter Choir? (Circle one): Yes No

Make checks payable to: National Cursillo[®] Center

Credit Card payment: Circle one: MasterCard or Visa (No Discover or American Express)

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name on Credit Card: _____

Send this form and payment to:

National Cursillo[®] Center

P.O. Box 799 - Jarrell, TX 76537

Telephone: 512.746.2020, Fax: 512.746.2030, e-mail: nationalcursillo.center@verizon.net

Full payment of \$385.00 per person and this form must be received by May 31, 2012

Registration cost received June 1 – June 30, 2012 is \$435.00

Unable to guarantee attendance after June 30, 2012!

There is a \$40.00 non-refundable fee for all cancellations through May 31, 2012. No refunds after May 31, 2012 – No exceptions! The National Cursillo[®] Center is responsible for the payment to the University regardless of cancellations.

Confirmation # _____ Office Use Only
