Cursillo News for Nov. - Dec. 2012

Calendar of Events

November 10, 2012	Secretariat Meeting, Sacred Heart, Hebron – 9:30am (9:00am Mass)	
December 1, 2012	SOL - 9:30am – 2:30pm (Mass at 9:00am). Moved from the second	
	Saturday of the month to the first Saturday because Dec. 8 is a Holy Day.	
	Immaculate Heart of Mary in Lincoln.	
January 12, 2013	Secretariat Meeting, location TBA – 9:30am (9:00am Mass)	
February 9, 2013	SOL - 9:30am – 2:30pm (Mass at 9:00am).	
February 15-16, 2013	Practice Weekend, at St. John the Baptist, Minden.	
February 21-24, 2013	Men's Three Day Weekend, at St. John the Baptist, Minden	
March 9, 2013	Secretariat Meeting, location TBA – 9:30am (9:00am Mass)	
March ??-??, 2013	Women's Three Day Weekend, at St. John the Baptist, Minden; when the	
	<u>date is set</u> , it will be posted at http://www.seas-np.org/cursillolincoln.html)	
April 13, 2013	SOL - 9:30am – 2:30pm (Mass at 9:00am). IHM Church in Lincoln.	
April 26-28, 2013	Spring 2013 Region VI Encounter – Dodge City, KS (details later).	
May 4, 2013	Secretariat Meeting, location TBA – 9:30am (9:00am Mass); date changed from normal 2 nd Saturday in order to accommodate graduations, etc.	

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

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Celebrate the Year of Faith ...

God opened the door of faith for the early Church, and God has also opened the door of faith for **each one of us**. He invites us to step through the threshold into a deeper relationship with Him. The Year of Faith is an opportunity for **every Catholic** to turn toward Jesus Christ, encounter Him (especially in the Eucharist), and rediscover the Faith and the Church ... **sounds like Cursillo**!!!

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.

- The Beatrice/Crete/Hebron/Lincoln Ultreya Center continues its rotation of locations ...The <u>October</u> Ultreya will be held on Sunday, October 28, at <u>5:00pm</u> in the conference room (not Dawson Hall) of the Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center in Lincoln (approximately 37th & Sheridan). <u>PLEASE NOTE</u> Beginning with the combined November-December Ultreya, all future Ultreyas will begin at <u>3:00pm</u> (rather than <u>5:00pm</u> as they have in the past). The <u>combined November-December</u> Ultreya will be held at 3:00pm on December 2 at St. Joseph Parish Center, Beatrice.
- The **Southwest Ultreya Center** will continue to rotate its Ultreya location between McCook and Imperial. The *November* Ultreya will be held *November* 11 at 3:30pm CT in the St. Patrick Church Basement in McCook. The *December* Ultreya will be held **December** 9 at 2:30 pm MT in the St. Patrick Parish Hall in Imperial.
- The **Hastings-Holdrege-Minden Ultreya Center** is holding quarterly Ultreyas. The next Ultreya will be **November 4** at **2:30pm** at **St. John the Baptist Church, Minden.**
- The **Plattsmouth/Nebraska City Ultreya Center** Contact Mary Lou Salazar or Terry Little for more information.
- The **Weston-Wahoo Ultreya Center** is currently not having Ultreyas. Please participate in Ultreya in one of the other Ultreya Centers (Lincoln is close).
- 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 and Three Days

The work of the Precursillo is NOT about preparing friends to live a Three Day Weekend; rather, it is about making friends, being friends, and bringing our friends to CHRIST. Preparing candidates/friends to live a Three Day Weekend is one part of the work of the Precursillo, but it is really not even the most important part. Our work with those around us (in our environments) may never culminate in the person with whom we are working ever coming to a Three Day Weekend, and that's just great ... as long as we have helped him/her come closer to Christ.

Just in case, however, your Precursillo work does involve inviting your friend to live a Cursillo Weekend, the next set of Three Day Weekends are tentatively scheduled to be held at St. John the Baptist Parish in Minden in February (Men's Weekend: February 21-24, 2013) and March (Women's Weekend: *The exact weekend in March is yet to be determined; when set, the Weekend date will be posted at http://www.seas-np.org/cursillolincoln.html*). It would be good to begin planting seeds now so that the

potential candidates can have it in mind as they schedule other activities. Then as you continue to work with your friend/candidate, find ways to continue reminding about the upcoming opportunity to grow in faith. Be excited and joy-filled and enthusiastic ... if you aren't, why should they be?

Remember that in determining what constitutes an environment for you, the Cursillo Movement defines environment as that moveable square meter that moves as you move ... in other words, your environment is that place and set of circumstances in which you find yourself at each particular moment of each day. Remember that a big part of the Precursillo work can be very slow and time-consuming (it can quite literally take years) ... but if you don't ever begin, then you will surely never draw these beloved of God to Him. Remember, too, that we should especially be alert for the "far away" –those who don't know God well or don't know Him at all. They may even be sitting next to you in the pew on Sundays!! There is a lot of work to do in the Precursillo (making a friend, being a friend, and bringing your friend to Christ), but the key is to begin the work, always in a spirit of Palanca (talking to God about your friend before talking to your friend about God), and with a mind/heart/will set "to the highest level" to persevere in winning this person for Christ. And maybe, this person might even be interested in ratcheting up his/her faith by living a Cursillo Weekend!!

3. Postcursillo

Report on Region VI Fall Encounter (September 28-30, 2012)

The Region VI Fall Encounter was hosted by the Kansas City, KS Archdiocese on September 28-30, 2012. There were 92 participants from three language groups represented, including three English-speaking and two Vietnamese-speaking cursillistas from our Diocese. Cef Aguillon, National English Language Coordinator, gave two presentations each to the English-speaking cursillistas and the Spanish-speaking cursillistas. Cef's presentations were: (1) The Purpose, Mentality, and Methodology of Cursillo in Light of its Charism, and (2) Living What is Fundamental to Being a Christian. Included in this newsletter are **two handouts** (**front and back**) from Cef. It would be good to spend some time reflecting on what Cursillo is all about and what it did for you in your faith life; at the same time, think about what it can continue to do for you and others in all three of its very important phases.

In addition, the Regional Service Team passed out suggested revisions for Region VI's Pastoral Plan, and Jim Wells, Region VI English Coordinator, gave a presentation entitled, "Secretariat". Fr. Steve Baxter, the Region VI Spiritual Advisor (Wichita, KS), gave a spiritual presentation on the Year of Faith and its relation to Vatican II (the 50 years following Vatican II). The presentations, table sharing, sacraments/prayer, and social time was uplifting and renewing. And, as always, it was good to come away with

an even better understanding of what Cursillo is all about and what a powerful tool of evangelization it is.

The Region VI Spring 2013 Encounter will be hosted by the Dodge City, KS Diocese on April 26-28, 2013. As details become available, we will keep you updated (but mark your calendars now).

4. School of Leaders (SOL)

The October SOL was held at St. Ann Parish in Doniphan on October 6, 2012. The Technique and Doctrinal Talks came from the final chapters of *Study of the Charism*. One set of talks (technique and doctrinal) dealt with the Structure of Cursillo in a diocese (its two required components of a Secretariat and SOL); see Cathie McKenzie's summary below. The other set of talks dealt with the summary of Eduardo Bonnin's (the founder of Cursillo) "spiritual testament". Both talks provided good insight and discussion into both the "why" and the "how" of Cursillo, and helped us better understand why Cursillo exists and how it operates. During the work sessions, we began a thorough review of the Lincoln Diocese Pastoral Plan, considering the fuller understanding we have gained since the last time we worked on it. There was wonderful sharing of friendship and thoughts and ideas ... please consider coming.

The next SOL (English and Vietnamese) will be held on <u>December 1, 2012</u>, at <u>Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish (6345 Madison Avenue) in Lincoln</u>. Note that this date is different from the usual 2nd Saturday of the month; the change was made because the second Saturday (Dec. 8) is a Holy Day. Since we finished *Study of the Charism* at the October SOL, we decided it would be good to begin reviewing *The Leaders Manual*. This will be a good way to deepen our understanding of Cursillo, since we understand it better and better every time we study any of the Cursillo literature. The Doctrinal Talks will be on topics related to the chapters we are studying in *The Leaders Manual* and/or the Year of Faith.

For information about the Vietnamese language SOL, please contact Canh Nguyen (402-435-0921) or Juliana Tran (402-436-1998) or Diep Nguyen (402-474-9588).

Summary of "Structure: Secretariat and School of Leaders"

by Cathie McKenzie, Sacred Heart Parish, Hebron

In reading about Cursillo's School of Leaders and the Secretariat, the important thing that this chapter is telling us is that the Movement of Cursillos in Christianity is spiritual. It is a charism, so it works with each person differently, but the "spirit" is the same. To receive that "spirit", there is a process, and the people that have already been through it and want others to have that gift also deliver that process.

Some of the people in the School of Leaders become the Secretariat. This group takes it upon themselves to do a specific part of the process and works with the rest of the members to organize the Precursillo, Cursillo Weekend, and Postcursillo. It is their task as the Secretariat to see to it that the original "spirit" of Cursillo stays the same for all people and all Cursillo Weekends. Even though the "spirit" is received differently for each person because we are all individuals, it needs to be presented in the same way for all, so that the original message is given to everyone involved and the message of the "spirit" doesn't get lost in the translation. After that, it is up to the Holy Spirit to use each person for the task that God intends that person to do.

This Secretariat group is not to be considered the top of the totem pole, so to speak. They do not control the Movement, but lead it by their service – the service that all Christians should be involved in to be truly Christian people. So this is a service organization to share with all Christian people the fundamental ways of living in a way that anyone in your environment can see that we truly are the kind of Christian that God intended all of us to be ... the way we should be to anyone and everyone no matter what their status in life, how they dress or speak, or what they do for a living, etc. Even people that are far away from God in their faith would be able to recognize that there is something different and good about how we live. Other people should be able see that we have such a hunger for God that everything we do has the question of "Is this what God wants?" involved in the thought process. When we live our life with this spirit of service and sharing, and encourage others to do the same, it can only make a better world for everyone ... the kind of world our God intended for us.

Because we need to keep Cursillo consistent in our presentation so that the original idea is taught, the local diocesan Secretariat is in contact with the National and Regional Secretariats. This also makes it possible to keep Cursillo in its original form internationally. This task is very important and not easy, considering all the different cultures and all the different languages which can make the translations of ideas difficult. We have already witnessed not too long ago the problems translation can cause.

The people involved with the Secretariat also work with those who want to be involved in the School of Leaders. Together these 4th dayers work on the concerns of the cursillistas, and keep the meaning, content, climate and life of Cursillo effective by getting the other cursillistas involved in Ultreya.

This involvement can be just showing up and enjoying the wonderful friendship we share with people who want to live the way God intended us to live or giving a witness talk and sharing your story. It could be sharing your prayer intentions with the others and in the process having the others all praying for your intentions also. Ultreya is like your group reunion but spread out to a bigger environment. We are all friends learning from each other, wanting to help each other and wanting to spread these ideas we have learned to more and more people. The purpose is not to have a collection of people that is bigger and bigger for the sake of numbers, but to have the idea of living as true Christians spread to more and more areas, so that the world will eventually have people treating each other with

respect, trust, love, kindness and friendship, which is what the Charism of Cursillo is all about. Ultreya also feeds our hunger, but never lets you feel full, so that you are always hunger for more knowledge about God and his people.

During group reunions, you become especially close to your group family. Because the group usually lives in a close area, people that see you interact with each other can usually see that there is something different about your connection. In my own life, a fellow parishioner told me that she wanted to go to Cursillo because of what she observed in others and myself who went to Cursillo together – how we would greet each other. She has now gone to Cursillo and is a very strong member of our group.

The Group Reunion and Ultreyas are not only part of the 4th day, but are also part of the Precursillo. The people involved in these activities are the ones praying to God about a person they want to invite to Cursillo before they invite the person. This is the beginning of the circle of activities. When you get to know that person and he/she gets to know you, the Holy Spirit will be working and letting you know if the person is ready for the invitation, and in the meantime, the person invited should know enough about Cursillo to know if he/she wants to go and see for him/herself what makes you the person that you are.

Your prayers and Palanca during the Cursillo helps that person to receive the Spirit in the way it was intended and enlightens him/her to how he/she can have the same joy, light, friendship and love in their own life.

Inviting him/her to go to Ultreya with you and your group will help the person see that this truly is not a one-weekend deal ... that it really is a way of life and that many others in different areas are all striving to live a truly Christian life. The new 4th dayer can then invite their friend to live a Cursillo Weekend after talking with God about that friend. And the cycle continues.

So we see the School of Leaders and the Secretariat helping others to live a truly Christian life and those they helped go out and help even more so that we are actually all helping and serving each other to get to heaven by being the best person we can be to our fellow humans, so that when we get there, we can hear the words "well done my faithful servant". **De Colores!!**

From the Lay Director

In the year before he died, Eduardo Bonnin (1917-2008), the founder of the Cursillo Movement, wrote a series of documents which were compiled into a book entitled, "My Spiritual Testament". At the last School of Leaders, we finished "Study of the Charism", and the last chapter in this book is a summary of "My Spiritual Testament". (We had studied "My Spiritual Testament" several years ago.) Eduardo wanted to insure that what he called his "most important possession" - the knowledge he had of the Cursillos in Christianity Movement – was passed on to those following him. He wanted to "leave in writing and in detail" what the Movement is, what it consists of, and what it

aims to achieve, which is "nothing else but to attempt to make the Good News of the Gospel reach as many as possible."

He wrote of how he studied his environment in the military and the basic longing everyone has for God. He explained how the first Three-Day Cursillo came about, the origin of the use of the "De Colores" song, Group Reunion, and Ultreya. He stressed that the Cursillo (the Three-Day Weekend) was given to the Church to be clear and simple, and the changes he saw where some tried to "upgrade and update" only added unnecessary things and only complicated the "holy simplicity" of what was intended. The Cursillo should "give the attendees a most lively, easy, simple, clear, and true experience of the Christ of the Gospel ... who makes Himself alive, normal, and close to each of us". These very points were also discussed at the last Regional Encounter (September 28-30, 2012) in Kansas City, Kansas. The "Study of the Charism" is available to read or download at the World Organization of Cursillos in Christianity (OMCC) website http://www.orgmcc.org/en/omcc. There is a "Study of the Charism" tab at the top of the home page, and the document link is on the bottom of that page.

Cursillo has been called the "best-kept secret of the Catholic Church". The message is simple and true, the challenge is real and attainable, and the spirit can grow through Group Reunion and Ultreya. The Cursillo's aim is that Christians be Christians, and that being a conscious Christian means to be converted all the time – the constant metanoia. This is something we need to always do, be constantly converted.

I continue to ask that if you are not already going, would you please consider participating in School of Leaders? Cursillo needs us (you and me) to remain strong and functioning in our Diocese. Thank you to all those who contribute in any way, whether it is through your prayers, support (time and otherwise), and Palanca that give the Movement life. Note the dates and locations of the School of Leaders and try to come. The December 1, 2012, School of Leaders will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Lincoln. Please attend your Ultreyas – you will gladden others with your presence and will be happy that you were there. If you are not grouping, find someone and get back in a group. Please continue to pray for the Cursillo Movement and pray for leaders in our Diocese to come forward to keep the movement alive and faithful. May God bless you!

De Colores!! John Springer

From the Spiritual Advisor

On October 11, 2011, Pope Benedict XVI announced a Year of Faith, which would begin on October 11, 2012 (the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council), and it will end on November 24, 2013 (the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King). He announced this in his apostolic letter "Porta Fidei" (the door of faith). This letter would be very good to read during this Year of Faith, perhaps even

very early in the year, so as to be able to profit from the words of our Holy Father and so that you might be challenged to "make a plan" for how you are going to celebrate this Year of Faith. I pray that your plan for the Year of Faith is that your Christian Life will grow through Piety, Study, and Action, and that through your Palanca (your prayers, sacrifices, and works of mercy), and by how you live your faith life (your response to God's many gifts), you will bring your friends to Christ.

As an encouragement to you to read Porta Fidei, here are a few quotes from Pope Benedict XVI:

- "Confessing with the lips indicates in turn that faith implies public testimony and commitment. A Christian may never think of belief as a private act. Faith is choosing to stand with the Lord so as to live with him. This 'standing with him' points towards an understanding of the reasons for believing. Faith, precisely because it is a free act, also demands social responsibility for what one believes. The Church on the day of Pentecost demonstrates with utter clarity this public dimension of believing and proclaiming one's faith fearlessly to every person. It is the gift of the Holy Spirit that makes us fit for mission and strengthens our witness, making it frank and courageous." (#10)
- By faith, across the centuries, men and women of all ages, whose names are written in the Book of Life (cf. Rev 7:9, 13:8), have confessed the beauty of following the Lord Jesus wherever they were called to bear witness to the fact that they were Christians: in the family, in the workplace, in public life, in the exercise of the charisms and ministries to which they were called." (#13)
- "Having reached the end of his life, Saint Paul asks his disciple Timothy to 'aim at faith' (2 Tim 2:22) with the same constancy as when he was a boy (cf. 2 Tim 3:15). We hear this invitation directed to each of us, that none of us grow lazy in the faith. It is the lifelong companion that makes it possible to perceive, ever anew, the marvels that God works for us. Intent on gathering the signs of the times in the present of history, faith commits every one of us to become a living sign of the presence of the Risen Lord in the world. What the world is in particular need of today is the credible witness of people enlightened in mind and heart by the word of the Lord, and capable of opening the hearts and minds of many to the desire for God and for true life, life without end." (#15)

In a number of places, these words of Pope Benedict XVI sound very much like the words of Eduardo that we have heard through the Cursillo Movement: "The person is now building Christianity in his family, neighborhood, workplace, in his moveable square meter, through a life that proclaims the best news that God in Christ loves us and communicating it through the best means which is friendship."

De Colores!! Fr. Mark Seiker

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3) Lincoln – Vietnamese Language Group				
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4) Plattsmouth-Nebraska City				
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or contact Terry Little or Mary Lou Salazar 5) Southwestern Nebraska				
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School of Leaders

December 1, 2012 6345 Madison Avenue Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Lincoln, NE

EVERY Cursillista is invited and welcome ...
The Cursillo Movement needs your
participation ... will you help?

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 come from chapters in **The Leaders Manual**. This will be a good way to deepen our understanding of Cursillo, since we understand it better and better every time we study any of the Cursillo literature. The Doctrinal Talks will be on topics related to the chapters we are studying in **The Leaders Manual** and/or the Year of Faith.

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 Available for purchase at SOL if you do not have one
- ♦ We ask that you consider making a donation to help cover a donation for use of the facility.

PURPOSE: The purpose of Cursillo is achieved by making Christians in order to build Christianity and is oriented to leaven ordinary life. The purpose is directed toward the person, through the best means: friendship. The purpose of Cursillo is to provide knowledge, belief lived, and shared experience of what is fundamental to being Christian.

MENTALITY: Cursillos in Christianity consists of a living proclamation of the best news of the best reality that God in Jesus Christ loves us, communicated to as many people as possible through the best means which is friendship!

PRECURSILLO (Before)

It's about the Person! It's about Christ! It's about Friendship!

Person is searching for Christ

Personal Contact Authentic Witness of Life Real Palanca

Sponsoring is a critical role. Education and training is essential. Sponsor Checklists are not doing the job.

Make a friend, be a friend and bring your friend to Christ; not necessarily to Cursillo!

Candidate selection criteria essential to achieving Cursillo purpose.

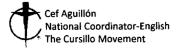
It's about developing a relationship that will turn into real friendship in all 3 phases – Precursillo, Cursillo Weekend. & Postcursillo.

Study of environment is about studying the person. Environment is defined as "the person and his circumstances" that is, each person's sphere of influence at this exact moment.

The Sponsor is required:

- to know the person.
- to place the person,
- to enlighten the person, and
- to accompany the person!

In other words, if you know your friend, you will know how he thinks, what he wants, and how he acts which correspond to his intelligence, his heart, and his will.



CURSILLO WEEKEND (During)

It's about the Person!
It's about Christ!
It's about Friendship!

Person is *encountering* Christ

Personal Contact Authentic Witness of Life Real Palanca

The team selected from School of Leaders is prepared technically & spiritually to deliver the joyful proclamation of being Christian!

The team proclaims Gospel realities through Word and testimony of life; a message of living & sharing what is fundamental for being Christian – living the life of grace.

The Cursillo message is received according to the disposition of each person. Candidates are asked for their enthusiasm, self-surrender, & spirit of charity.

Cursillo seeks to facilitate the encounter of the freedom of each person with the Spirit of God to help them discover that God in Christ loves them unconditionally!

Cursillo fosters the person becoming fully alive by means of three fundamental encounters: with Self, with Christ, and with Others.

The team provides what is essentially Christian, steps back, and allows God's grace to do the rest!

If the team fulfills their role, the candidates will attribute their conversion to God's grace, not to the rollista, rector, best meal, song, or letter.

POSTCURSILLO (After)

It's about the Person! It's about Christ! It's about Friendship!

Person is *following* Christ

Personal Contact Authentic Witness of Life Real Palanca

Each person is called to be a "living gospel" in the normality of his daily life by living the Gospel realities through a life of piety, study and action. To live Cursillo is to live the Gospel!

In the Fourth Day, the person is called to continue discovering and deepening friendships in each of the three encounters discovered on the Weekend.

The person is now in a state of progressive conversion and is 'evangelizing' and 'being Christian' where God has placed them; in their everyday environments.

The world can become more human and therefore, more divine, by the linkage of fully alive Christian friends who help each other to maximize their potential by living together the life of grace. This linkage is achieved through Group Reunion and Ultreya.

The person is now building Christianity in his family, neighborhood, workplace, in his moveable square meter, through a life that proclaims the best news that God in Christ loves us and communicating it through the best means which is friendship!

Living What is Fundamental to Being Christian

Cursillo puts emphasis on these fundamental Truths.

Seek Kingdom of God (Mt 6:33)

Love God, Neighbor, Self (Mt. 22:36-39)

Live in Christ

Live in Grace

Live in Faith

Live as Church

Live the Sacraments

Piety → Heart → Conviction
Directing whole life to God
through intimate relationship.

Study → Mind → Decision A continuous study of oneself, Christ, and others.

Action → Will → Constancy Aligning our will to God's will. Exercising the power of love to love as Christ loves.

We can live what is fundamental by living our internal tripod.

We can share what is fundamental with the 3 encounters.

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Others - Love Neighbor -

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