

Evansville Diocese Cursillo Newsletter

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Go 4th!

**“O Lord I know
you are near”**

Sept 2019

Dear Fourth Day Community:

We all have fond memories of our Cursillo weekend. For many, that weekend was an unforgettable spiritual experience. I recall a conversation with one who made the weekend. For him, it was all about meeting God personally. God allowed him to experience His love, power, glory and mercy. Through the Sacrament of reconciliation which he made after decades of being away from it, he experienced God's preferential love for him. The rest of the weekend was all about tears. He shared that he shed more tears that weekend after the reconciliation than he had shed in all his years. He met God! My joy knew no bounds when I heard him share his experience. What a marvelous God we have!

At the heart of the Cursillo Movement is the personal contact with Christ. We soon realize how we are called to be disciples of Christ. Let's engage our friends in the joy of living the life of grace.

De Colores! Fr. Benny, Diocese Spiritual Advisor



From the Lay Director

Greetings to you beautiful brothers and sisters of the 4th day!!

Without question, the best part of the Cursillo experience is the weekly group reunion. Ask anyone including yourself; “Am I closer to Jesus today than on the day of my Cursillo closing?” Most likely the answer is “YES!!” and a high percentage of people will say it is mainly due to my being faithful to weekly group reunion. The 3-day weekend is just the start of what can be a continuous conversion to our Lord Jesus Christ and the growing more and more in the beauty of our Catholic faith. Weekly grouping keeps us close to Jesus, accountable to our brothers and sisters in Christ and helps us along our way to Heaven. Ultimately, grouping helps us to bring the Gospel of Jesus into our environments and thus change the world for Jesus. Whose job is it to get folks into a group? Well, it is all of ours, starting with the sponsor, then the team members and all of us in the 4th day. If you come across someone looking for a group, help them to get into one. Invite them to your group, reach out to other Cursillistas to see about their group, invite them to go to an Ultreya **with** you, reach out to your parish Ambassador to see what groups are in your parish. Wait, my parish does not have an ambassador. Well, we need you to help. Contact us and we will get you started. We are blessed in our Diocese with a vibrant Cursillo community. Let us all continue to build on the great foundation that has been laid out by many who have gone before us and continue to bring our friends to Christ.

De Colores, Pete Barry Evansville Cursillo Lay Director

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, Pray for us

St. Paul, Patron of Cursillo, Pray for us
Servant of God Edwardo Bonnin Aguilo', Pray for us

Pre-Cursillo

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we head into the Fall season, we celebrate 45 years of the Cursillo Movement in the Evansville Diocese and over 5000 Cursillistas in our 4th day Community. The Men's and Women's Fall English teams are in formation and we look forward to welcoming those candidates very soon. Our Cursillo Community, Our Cursillo family is very much alive and vibrant. None of this would be possible without the 4th Day living out their discipleship through the motto of “Make a Friend, Be a Friend and Bring that Friend Closer to Christ”. Prayerfully consider being a sponsor and live out your call to be the Light in the World for others and bring the love of Jesus into the life of others.

Your Brother and Sister in Christ, Dan and Michele Donovan

School of Leaders: DE COLORES!

If you haven't been to the School of Leaders lately (or ever), now is a great time to join in the excitement. We are now meeting at Holy Rosary at 7pm on the second Tuesday of each month. Everyone who has ever participated in a Cursillo weekend is encouraged to join us. Each month, we begin with prayer and grouping. We then move into our topic for the evening. There is someone who presents and then some discussion. The main focus in the coming months is Step-by-Step which is learning about the roots of Cursillo and why we do what we do. We hope to tweak our procedures for the better and keep them in line with the original Charism of Cursillo. We close the meeting with prayer. There is always something to learn and something you can contribute each month.

We appreciate the hospitality offered by Holy Spirit over the years they have hosted our meetings. Thank you also to Holy Rosary for sharing their space with us. We look forward to seeing you there to learn along with other Cursillistas.

Liz Hirsch

Prayer's and Sacrifices, that is what Palanca is! We have had a great summer. Palanca chapels for Men's and Women's #3 in Spanish were great successes. Thank you 4th Day for your continued support. Do not forget to continually check the website for updates and opportunities to participate in your 4th day experience. Our fall weekends are quickly coming. Palanca Chapels are shown online waiting for your selection. Please use the Sign-up-Genius link for each chapel. Thank you to Holy Rosary for their use of the new Nativity Chapel during Good Shepherd's social. Remember, there are 67 hours of Palanca Chapel to be filled for each weekend. Please remember, Palanca letters can be dropped off at Sarto in the kitchen. They MUST be delivered by noon on Sunday to be able to be distributed on the weekend. Also, TEAM Palanca is always needed during formations and the weekend.



May Mary our Mother continue to intercede for this movement. *Blessings! Mike Rennie, Palanca Chair*

- Many 4th Day members met at the Grand Ultreya celebration August 10th at St John's in Daylight. We attended St John's regular Saturday evening mass and then moved to the gym for a wonderful meal, a short grouping session, and then listened to two excellent talks from Nicholas Wolf and JoAnn Schlachter. They explained how their lives have changed since Cursillo, and how the Cursillo weekends have changed during the last 45 years as the 193 Evansville retreats were completed. We also took time to thank Fr. Ray Brenner for his 28 years of service as the Diocesan Spiritual Advisor for Cursillo. Fr Ray retired at the end of 2018 and Fr Benny Chacko has accepted appointment to that position.
- We have been communicating to the 4th Day electronically more & more as time goes on. The primary methods are through emails sent from the Post Cursillo Chairs and by posting information on the EvansvilleCursillo.com web page that the 4th Day can read on their own. While these methods are efficient and cost less than mailings, we are sad to say we only have email addresses for about 30% of the 4th Day members. Please don't be left in the dark. If you have an email address we could use, please send an email to PostCursillo@EvansvilleCursillo.com and ask us to add you to the mailing list.
- The fall weekends are upon us. There are many ways to get involved by sponsoring candidates, serving meals, offering Palanca, signing up for a slot in the Palanca Chapels, and by attending Candlelight & closings. To sign up for serving meals or the Palanca Chapel, go to the EvansvilleCursillo.com website, click on Cursillo Weekend, then click on "Serve a Meal" or "Palanca".
- Please keep watching for details on the Fall Reunion. It will be held on a Saturday morning in November after the Men & Women's fall weekends are complete. The reunion offers the 4th Day members an opportunity to rekindle relationships as well as rekindling the spirit of their weekend retreat.
- There are many opportunities each month to attend an Ultreya. They are offered in many locations around the diocese and are spread throughout the month. Watch out for future communications about the Ultreyas or go the Web Site to find out more.

Mike and Linda Ketzner, Post-Cursillo Chairs

Men's Cursillo #92 September 12-15 **"No Storm Can Shake My Inmost Calm"**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We pray that you have all had a terrific summer. As the seasons change, the Evansville Cursillo movement is moving quickly ahead. Our fall schedules have been moved forward. Evansville Men's Cursillo #92 will take place September 12 – 15, which is one month earlier than in the past.

Five team formations and Talk Support have been completed for Men's team #92. Thank you to our wonderful talk mentors and to our friends at Holy Family and St. John's Daylight for opening your doors to us for formations and talk support. The prayers and support of the 4th day are much appreciated. If you are moved by the Holy Spirit, there is even more you can do: **Sponsorship** – currently, we can accommodate 14 more men, **Snacks and desserts** – contact our kitchen head, Brian Ketzner, at (812) 639-2382 if you can provide desserts or snacks for the weekend, **Palanca** – sign up and pray for the participants at a palanca chapel or submit a palanca letter to a candidate or team member, **Participation** – Join the 4th Day for mass and/or candlelight on Saturday and closing on Sunday, **Prayer** – Please continue to pray the candidates and team for Men's Cursillo #92 and also, for the success of our movement and ministry.

May the Grace, Peace, Mercy and Love Jesus be upon all of you! *Scott Burgess, Coordinator*

Women's Cursillo #97 October 10-13, 2019 **"The Spirit is A Movin"**

Dear Brothers & Sisters In Christ,

Over the past several months, I have prayed and discerned over the team of Women's Cursillo #97. I feel honored and blessed to be serving along side these blessed men and women God placed on this team. Women's team #97 started formations in August. I am overjoyed to journey with this team and serve our Lord along with the candidates that will be called in October.

All of you know how important prayers and Palanca are to receive. You can send team Palanca to me at 2720 Orchard Rd, Evansville, IN 47720 or email to imogenebaehl@gmail.com All Palanca may be dropped off during the weekend in the Sarto Kitchen until 12:00pm on Sunday, October 13th.

Please consider joining us for Talk Support. This offers you a chance to hear the talks as well as support the speakers with your presence. We'd love to have you at Candlelight or Closing or to have you help in the kitchen as a server or angel. Any of these 4th Day activities will help you relive your Cursillo experience and can be very nurturing. If you would like to provide snacks and desserts for the weekend, contact Head Kitchen Terri Barnes at (812)204-3645 or email tmdjbarnes97@gmail.com Please keep us in your prayers, *Imogene Baehl, Women's Team #97 Coordinator*

Fall Cursillo Teams	Men's #92	Women's #97
Spiritual Advisor	Fr. Ray Brenner	Fr. Chris Forler
Spiritual Advisor	Fr. Ed Schnur	Fr. Tyler Tenbarge
Spiritual Advisor	Deacon Charlie Johnson	Sr. Jenny Miller
Coordinator	Scott Burgess	Imogene Baehl
Assistant Coordinator	Greg Schmitz	Patty Woehler
Head Steward	Mike Ketzner	Beverly Tison
Assistant Steward	Sam Tieken	Susan Helmer
Assistant Steward	Edgar Maldonado	Angie Mullenix
Head Song Leader	Ken Schroering	Melissa Ziemer
Assistant Song Leader	Lance Wayman	Patty Schnautz
Head Kitchen	Brian Ketzner	Terri Barnes
Kitchen Staff	Jeff Wilmes	Susan Tenbarge
Kitchen Staff	Bob Young	Gabriela Ramirez
Kitchen Staff	Gene Williams	Blanca Ortez
Kitchen Staff	Alex Rodriguez	Dana Thyen
Ideal	Mark Steckler	Melissa DeWolfe
The Lay Person in the Church	Steve Swartwood	Mary Greenwell
Piety	Lawrence Loner	Michele Donovan
Study	Dan Barfield	Linda Ketzner
Action	Mike Dugan	Donna Blythe
Leaders	Andy Effinger	Paula Baehl
Study of the Environment	Lynn Hassler	Tammy Glaser
Christianity in Action	John Kippenbrock	Susan Hall

Men # 92 September 12-15

"No Storm Can Shake My Inmost Calm"

Coordinator: Scott Burgess Assistant Coordinator: Greg Schmitz

Men's Cursillo #92 Schedule (all times Evansville Time CST)

Wednesday Sep 11 – Set-Up, 6:30 pm CST, Sarto Retreat House

Thursday Sep 12 – Candidates arrive, 6:30 to 7:00 pm, Sarto Retreat House
– Sponsor Crucifix Dedication, 7:00 pm CST, Sarto Chapel

Saturday Sep 14 – Mass, 8:00 pm, Celebration Hall, proceed to Chapel for Candlelight at 9:00 pm

Sunday Sep 15 – Closing, 5:40 pm, Celebration Hall – arrive by 5:20 CST

Women # 97 October 10-13

"The Spirit is A Movin"

Coordinator: Imogene Baehl Assistant Coordinator: Patty Woehler

Women's Cursillo #97 Schedule (all times Evansville Time CST)

Saturday Sep 28 – Talk Support Day at St John the Evangelist Daylight, 8:00 am (Mass at 7:30 am)

Wednesday Oct 9 – Set-Up, 6:30 pm CST, Sarto Retreat House

Thursday Oct 10 – Candidates arrive, 6:30 to 7:00 pm, Sarto Retreat House
– Sponsor Crucifix Dedication, 7:00 pm CST, Sarto Chapel

Saturday Oct 12 – Mass, 8:00 pm, Celebration Hall, proceed to Chapel for Candlelight at 9:00 pm

Sunday Oct 13 – Closing, 5:40 pm, Celebration Hall – arrive by 5:20 CST

Download applications at
<http://www.evansvillecursillo.com/weekend-applications>

Secretariat Members	
Spiritual Advisor	Fr. Benny Chacko
Lay Director	Pete Barry
Secretary	Steve Obert
Treasurer	Rodney Baehl
Pre-Cursillo	Dan and Michele Donovan
3-Day	Joe and Ruth Thompson
Post-Cursillo	Mike and Linda Ketzner
Palanca	Mike Rennie
Procurement	Elaine Morris
School of Leaders	Liz Hirsch
Spanish Cursillo	Alfonso and Daniela Vidal

Ultreya	Where	Day	Time (Local times)
Our Lady of Hope	Washington	1st Thursday	7:00 pm
St. Joseph	Jasper	2nd Monday	7:00 pm
Sts. Peter & Paul	Haubstadt	4th Monday	7:00 pm
St. Isidore (St. Celestine Campus)	Celestine	Last Tuesday	7:00 pm
St. John's	Newburgh	2nd Thursday	7:00 pm
Christ the King	Evansville	3rd Thursday	7:00 pm
St. Ferdinand	Ferdinand	3rd Thursday	7:30 pm
Resurrection	Evansville	Last Thursday	7:00 pm
St. John's	Daylight	1st Saturday	9:00 am

ADDRESS CHANGES

Please send all contact information updates (mailing address, phone number updates and e-mail changes) to post-cursillo@evansvillecursillo.com.

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