The Fourth-Day News

Cursillo in the Washington Archdiocese

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Mark on your calendar:

March 15-18	192nd Men's Cursillo Weekend, Josephite Seminary
March 22*	CSOL Meeting, St. Joseph's, Largo, MD 7:00-9:00 p.m.
April 18	CSOL Meeting, St. Joseph's, Largo, MD 7:00-9:00 p.m.
April 21	Quarterly Ultreya – Montgomery County (details TBA)
May 8	Cursillo Open Forum (Time and place TBA)

192nd Men's Cursillo Weekend - March 15-18, 2007 – Theme: Our God Reigns

The Men's 192nd weekend is scheduled for March 15th through 18th, 2007. God has blessed this weekend with a great team of guys, and we are hoping that the 4th day community of cursillistas will work hard to send us 15 to 25 candidates. Christ is counting on you and so are we! Please keep us in your prayers. The following saints are on the team.

Maurice Anichebe made the men's 170th weekend. He is originally from Nigeria, and personifies the word grace. He is a saint in the making. He has the Piety Talk.

La'Mont Baxter made the men's 174th weekend. He is a true saint. A big man with a bigger heart! At his beatification ceremony a long time from now, he will be the Church's first Saint La'Mont! He is the Head Shepherd.

Joe Clark made the men's 160th with me. He is currently serving as Ultreya leader for the Baha Bowie Ultreya. He is very holy; and, after leaving a conversation with him, you feel the peace God gives to only those really close to Him. He is doing the Action Talk.

Gabriel "Gabe" Curtis made the men's 166th weekend. Gabriel is the name of one of God's archangels and his name means "Strength of God." He is the Assistant Coordinator and my strength too. His talk is Christian Community in Action.

Beacon Joseph "Joe" Curtis, Jr., made the men's 41st weekend. He is one of two deacons that God has graced this team with. Holiness oozes from his pores. I call him "Beacon" instead of deacon because that is "the Beacon of God."

Rev. James "Jim" Downs (Always Been a Cursillista), has been a cursillista so long that no one remembers the weekend he made. As the Jocular de Dios (God's joker), he uses humor to bring God's message home. He is the Head Spiritual Director.

Andy Glasgow made the men's 182nd weekend, and is the head musician. He is so holy that he is a musician at two churches and plays weekend Masses at both churches. He is the guitarist to the Angels. Andy is also doing the Figure of Christ Meditation.

Jim Gilbert made the Men's 2nd Cursillo here in Washington. He adds some level- headedness to an otherwise berserk for God team. With a James Erol Jones voice, he will wow the new brothers with the Three Glances Meditation.

Beacon William "Bill" Hawkins made the men's 186th weekend, and oozes God's charity. If he were a Buddhist, we would have to climb a very steep mountain to see him.

Maury "Maury" Mattingly made the men's 156th weekend and he exudes a down-to-earth holiness that speaks to your heart. He is a quiet strength that brings God's joy into every situation. He has the Laity Talk.

Warren Newton made the men's 110th weekend, and he is Mr. Cursillo. A preacher at heart, the Holy Spirit flows through him in a way that speaks to the heart. There are times that Warren has left the room and the audience doesn't know he left cause they still feel him. He has the Study of Environments Talk.

Charles H. Smallwood made the men's 108th weekend, and is assistant musician on the weekend. He sings with the saints and plays music with the angels. God's joy bubbles forth from him and is infectious. He has the Christ's Message Meditation.

Edward "Ed" Waskiewicz made the men's 160th weekend and is on fire for God. He like La'Mont, is a big man with a heart the size of Kansas. He has the Study Talk.

Paul Washington made the men's 51st weekend and is filled with God's peace which flows outpouring to all around him. Everyone who meets him is lifted up and out of themselves and is moved a couple of rungs up Jacob's ladder towards heaven. Paul has the Ideal talk.

Douglas "Doug" Wood made the men's 182nd weekend. Doug is a giant, living, breathing heart that beats for God. He beats for God so loudly, you find you can't resist him. He has the Leaders Talk.

John Kelly was to be a member of this team, but God had other plans for him to join the Saints in Heaven. We now have a very powerful intercessor working for us. Please keep Judy and her family in your prayers. It is tough to lose a saintly loving force like John. We miss him very much!

Thank you for all the support you all have given over the years and the help you will give to us on the weekend. We have you in our prayers.

Jim Caldwell, Coordinator, Men's 192nd
Men's 160th Table of L.I.F.E. -- Living in Faithful Expectancy

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Ultreya Closura Assignments – March 18, 2007

Assumption	Desserts	Laurel	Drinks
Bowie	Sandwiches	Montgomery County	Sandwiches
Calvert County	Desserts	North East - South East	Finger Foods
East of the River	Finger Foods	Queen of Peace	**Helper Ultreya**
Forestville	Finger Foods	St. Theresa of Avila	Sandwiches

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18TH National Encounter

July 31 – August 3, 2008 CATHOLIC UNIVERISTY

WORKING GROUP REUNIONS: ROLES AND TASKS

(Action begins at the April 18 Cursillo School of Leaders' meeting)

School of Leaders meets every 3rd Wednesday - St. Joseph Catholic Church, Largo, Md., 7:00–9:00

***See* Jackie DeMesme-Gray, Chair, School of Leaders or your Ultreya Leader with questions**

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO SERVANT LEADERSHIP?
WILL YOU SAY "YES" TO SHARE YOUR GIFTS ON A WORKING GROUP REUNION FOR THE 18th NATIONAL ENCOUNTER? *GOD NEEDS YOU!*

PIETY – how can my palanca each Wednesday feed the 18th National Encounter?

STUDY – **what** working group reunion are you calling me to, Lord?

ACTION – use me, Lord, towards **Cursillo** unity!

COMMITMENT CEREMONY – ***"RELAX AND REFLECT WITH JESUS"* retreat**, July **20**–22

God is calling you as a chair(s) or working group reunion member in an area below:

A. Registration – Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Check-in/out all guests and remain in contact with National Secretariat staff, as identified
2. Distribute programs, nametags
3. Escort guests to rooms, assist with luggage
4. Pay special attention to physically challenged guests

B. Hospitality (wear identifying t-shirts) – **Chair and Working Group Members Needed**

1. Include Spanish speaking person at all hours of operation
2. Greet guests at check-in and assist with locating appropriate lodging venue
3. Identify area where early arrivals can deposit luggage until registration
4. Provide for water/snacks at check-in
5. Direct guests to available eating facilities before registration &/or dinner
6. Arrange for box lunches for late arrivals
7. Remain available for guests' inquiries
8. Provide for shifts: Thursday, 10 am to 10 pm, Friday, 8 am to 8 pm, Saturday, 8 am to 8 pm
9. Identify Location for Lost/Found Items
10. Provide Information Packages for guests who want to sight-see

11. Set-up bulletin board to post information
12. Provide for First Aid Station throughout event

C. Transportation – Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. To/From Airport for all, including early arrival groups
2. Shuttle Service on Campus for physically challenged guests
3. Identify communication infrastructure
4. Post departure arrangements, w/contact phone number for changes
5. Colorful "De Colores" sign on courtesy vehicles
6. Obtain University permits for courtesy vehicles
7. Tax exempt number available for bus/van rentals
8. Check with Catholic churches/schools for van availability
9. Check with airports to distribute transportation directions at information tables
10. Identify transportation directions for late arrivals

D. Liturgical (Work with Deacons) – Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Prepare wine/hosts, sacramentary, chalices, purificators, altar cloths, etc.
2. Prepare altar of Word and altar of Mass
3. Prepare supplies, altar for Benediction
4. Prepare for Reconciliation
5. Maintain Tabernacle for Palanca chapel
6. Sample copy of Order of Mass provided by National Cursillo Center
7. Accompany visiting bishops to meals
8. Organize for Mass
9. Oversee Lecturers/Ministers
10. Gifts presentation
11. Identify Communion stations
12. Identify Reconciliation stations
13. Coordinate with Sacristan/Cantor/Music
14. Instructions to clergy for liturgical preparations, vesting room

E. Music – Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Coordinate Music - include all language groups
2. Secure National Cursillo Center book of 51 songs with copyright permission
3. Check to determine if piano at CUA needs tuning ($100.00 to tune)
4. Allow for music during breaks; Ultreya should be lively, spirited, and all-inclusive
5. Provide for "De Colores" song at the beginning, middle, end, and throughout as possible.

F. Photography – Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Provide pictures of University &/or local points of interest for program
2. Provide article/pictures for possible mailing
3. Provide pictures of event for archives

G. Palanca – Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Set-up chapel
2. Provide for depository for palanca posters, letters
3. Place palanca posters around plenary room w/university permission

H. **Décor – Chair and Working Group Members Needed**

1. Place flowers/plants on stage

2. Place Welcome Banner (English & Spanish)
3. Secure banners from National Cursillo Center for stage

(Décor continued)

4. Use signs (English & Spanish) in pertinent areas, Hospitality table, smoking area, restrooms
5. Return banners to National for shipping
6. Use Signs for Reconciliation Stations
7. Consider placing balloons at strategic areas

I. Maintenance/Equipment Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Set-up equipment for presentations
2. Set-up equipment for liturgical activities
3. Set-up skirted tables on stage
4. Place Papal flag (right) & US flag (left) by/on stage
5. Place coat rack & hangers in vesting room
6. Provide diagram of stage set-up
7. Identify communication infrastructure during event
8. Maintain keys to rooms and schedule to open/lock
9. Prepare stage for Fiesta

J. Bookstore and Gift Shop Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Provide for English and Spanish assistance with sales
2. Set hours of operation during breaks and mealtimes
3. Identify work shifts
4. Get familiar with Gift Shop items and cost

K. Fiesta Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Coordinate presentations by the various cultures
2. Encourage timeliness of the presentations
3. Assist with equipment needed for the presentations

L. Audio Recordings of Presentations Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Obtain local recording company
2. Assist with sales of recordings

M. Runners / "Go To" persons Chair and Working Group Members Needed

1. Remain available to 2008 National Office staff for any unsuspected situation

<u>Chairs</u> should be: living the method; responsible, accountable and possess expertise/experience/exposure in their topic area. They, or a member of their Working Group Reunion, should be adept at organizing and implementing tasks and meeting milestones.

<u>All working group reunion members</u> should: possess an open and willing spirit to work in love and community toward a blessed and successful 18th National encounter.

"Keep the Dialogue Flowing"

Welcome New Sisters of the 191st Women's Weekend

Mary Barnes,	Assumption
Shirley Cressy,	St. Pius X
Marga DiAgostino,	St. John Vianney
Lynn Fisher,	Assumption (New York)
Deborah "Debbie" Fontaine,	Holy Redeemer
Cassia "Cassie" Garcia,	St. John Vianney
Gwendolyn "Gwen" Jarman,	Assumption
Catherine "Cathy" Martinoli,	Jesus the Good Shepherd
Gertrude "Trudy" Mihalcik,	St. John Vianney
Wendy Owusu-Acheaw,	St. Nicholas
Carolyn "Diann" Robinson,	St. John Newman (New Jersey)
Alice Showell,	St. Edwards
Velma Smith,	St. Gabriel
Golenia "Duchess" Vines,	Nativity
Bernadette White,	St. Gabriel
Karrolyn "Kay" Zackery,	St. Joseph

We hope that you have all found or formed a Group Reunion and are attending Ultreya. May you continue to grow in the Lord and be richly blessed as you begin your Fourth Day.

Also, we hope to see you at the Palanca Mass for the men of the 192nd weekend at the Josephite Seminary on Thursday evening, March 15th. The theme is "Our God Reigns." The mass will begin around 8:00 p.m., but it's fun to be there around 7:00 p.m. to meet and greet the new brothers. It's a wonderful feeling to be on the other side and have the opportunity to give to others in the same way that we have received. **Hope to see you all there and at Closura on Sunday at 4:00 p.m.!**

To the sponsors of the new sisters- St. Paul says it best in Philippians 4: *"Rejoice in the Lord Always. I shall say it again Rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all***."**

Ann Vidale & Theresa Bowser (co)	Jean Fitzpatrick
Jamie Prestel	Nancy Waskiewicz
Barbara Johnson	Dorie Ranaghan
LaVerne Atiba	Gwen Sutton
M. Angela & Clifford Britton	The Bibbins & The Molineaux (co)
Pat Yatsko	Sandra Coles-Bell
Thelma Chase	Phyllis Winston

The PreCursillo Committee

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The Theme for the Men's 192nd Weekend

Mother Theresa of Calcutta once said to a Vatican official who had come to investigate her and her Order of sisters to determine whether the Vatican should approve the existence of Mother Teresa's Order, that she was a "Pencil in God's Hand." This statement is a sign of Mother Teresa's great humility. A pencil writes only when the person holding it picks it up and begins to put words on a page. A pencil is an instrument in the hands of the user and can write only what the user wills to

write. In that sense, what Mother Teresa was saying to the Vatican official was that she is an instrument in God's hands. As coordinator of the men's 192nd, I am praying for this same kind of humility; to be only an instrument in God's Hands. My prayer was answered in one way recently when I believe God gave me the Theme for the weekend: "Our God Reigns."

I had been praying for guidance from God about what the theme of His weekend should be. I had been praying for a number of weeks, and I did not have a clue what God would like. I went to visit Father Green one day, and when I arrived, he had several parishioners with him. I was welcomed as you always are with Father Green, and like other times with him, the subject eventually comes around to Cursillo. Father Green started talking to one of the parishioners about making a weekend and he suddenly turned to me and said, "You're going to be a coordinator, aren't you." I responded "yes", and then Father said, "You know, I would like to be a coordinator, but priests aren't allowed to serve as coordinators." If I could be one, my theme for my weekend would be "Our God Reigns." He than said, "It is a hymn and I am really moved by one of the verses." He began to sing the hymn, most of which I didn't hear because I was lost in thought about the goodness of God in handing me not only the theme for the weekend, but also the weekend's song. Our God is a good God, so when you hear us singing "Our God Reigns," you know it will be in thanksgiving for Father Green and all of God's goodness!

The Men's 192nd weekend is consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please keep us in your prayers.

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The Mystical Body

The Mystical Body is the reality of the People of God and the truth that Christ resides in the goodness of all of us. His presence in the Church defined as the People of God give us the meaning of each of us gathered together in Christ. Ch. 12 of 1st Cor. tells of the many gifts possessed by each of us, but the one Spirit that is the source of all the gifts. So we can take the different listings of the Mystical Body and the letter of the Pope on the Mystical Body and show how each of us are part of each other by our belonging to the Body of Christ. His presence in each of us is called "Indwelling." The Sacramental life of the Church spells it out in the Word again made Flesh in the Sacramental Life of the Church. Christ is the Sacrament of the Church. Eucharist is the fullness of the Mystical Body because in Eucharist we are called into his life. Each of the Sacraments spells out the Mystical Body of the Church in its fullness.

For us the Mystical Body of Christ includes all of those people because Christ died for everyone. The goodness on each person's heart and the attempt to do good and avoid evil flows out of the death of Christ. The Christian often is unable to live up to the goodness of Christ because he does not reflect sufficiently on his life. The challenge to be who Christ would have been is not heard in the depths of his being. But all salvation comes from Christ whether he is appreciated or not. All too often there is no difference between Christian and non-Christian. But there should be if one looks at Christ with the eyes of the soul wide open.

Fr. Joe McCloskey

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Ultreya Schedule and Calendar

Ultreya is a Spanish word meaning "onward." The Ultreya is a regular gathering to help each participant continue onward in her/his walk with our Lord. Meeting dates are subject to change.

Assumption	4th Sunday	12:30 p.m.	Assumption Church Undercroft, 3401 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave, Wash, DC
Bowie-Lanham	2nd Friday	7:30 p.m.	St. Edward's Church, Bowie
Calvert	2nd Friday	7:30 p.m.	Jesus the Divine Word, Huntingtown
East of the River	4th Friday	7:30 p.m.	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1st Portable Building
Forestville	2nd Sunday	7:00 p.m.	St. John the Evangelist Church, Clinton
Laurel	3rd Friday	7:30 p.m.	St. Nicholas Church, Laurel
Montgomery	1st Saturday	7:30 p.m.	Fr. Judge Missionary Cenacle, 1733 Adelphi Road, Silver Spring
Northeast/Southeast	1st Friday	7:30 p.m.	St. Anthony's Chapel
Our Lady, Queen of Peace	3rd Sunday	following the 10:30 a.m. Mass	Casa Cremona, Our Lady Queen of Peace
Saint Teresa of Avila	2nd Monday	7:30 p.m.	Church Undercroft, Saint Teresa of Avila

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