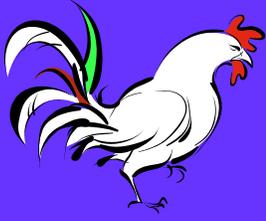




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# The Rooster Crows

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## DID YOU KNOW?

This month, there will be a men's Cursillo weekend in Mallorca, Spain, where the first Cursillo weekend was held in 1944. This will be Mallorca men's weekend number 421!

Women's weekends did not start until 1952. The October 2015 women's weekend in Mallorca was #164.

*"I believe that what the [Cursillo] movement has achieved, all that it has tried to accomplish in the world, has become a reality because the author is the Holy Spirit."*

—Eduardo Bonnín





# The Director's Chair

## Building on a Firm Foundation

by Judy Holt, Lay Director

I learned recently that the name of the shoe company ASICS is actually an acronym for the Latin expression, *Anima Santa In Corpore Sano* – a healthy soul in a healthy body. One way we keep our bodies sound and healthy so that they may be the homes or “temples” of a healthy soul or spirit is by resting. If you’re anything like me, we all could use more rest.

Exercising and eating right, are important too, but so is rest. How often do we rush around here and there to get so many things done in such a short amount of time? I know I am the master of multi-tasking, doing many things at the same time. In the story of creation, God worked for six straight days and rested on the seventh day. How many of us work during the week and rest on the weekends? Or do we spend our weekends rushing about doing this or that?

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Commandment is to keep holy the Lord’s Day holy, we need not only pray and worship, but we also need to rest. It is a day of Grace and rest from work. We need to renew our relationships not only with God but with others and Sunday is the perfect time to do just that. We also need to rest too. God had the right idea!

So, for the glory of God and for the good of our neighbor, and without any sense of guilt at all, please next Sunday, take a nap!

# *Inspiration Corner*

*by Fr. Joe Brando, Spiritual Director*

One of the facts of life in the good old US of A that I enjoy observing is the change of seasons. But it isn't the change from summer to fall to winter. I like to watch the stores, as their identity changes from "back to school", to the "beginning of football", to Halloween (which now starts when all the school supplies are sold), to Thanksgiving, and on to Christmas, to "post-Christmas sales" and so on.

How did this new calendar, which is still in formation, come to be? One's first guess is to follow the money. However, making money is a secondary effect of this innate need in the human psyche for newness and change. We want to put the past, with its deadlines, to rest, and start off anew on the next set of desires and deadlines. It comforts people to know there's always tomorrow to erase the problems and defeats of the past.

As it goes for marketing, so it is also true for movements, whether they be social, political or religious. We tire of the recent past, and desire to erase our past disappointments and look elsewhere, seeking the elusive victories that failed to materialize up to now.

Cursillo can fit into this trend if we let it. What made Cursillo a great enlightenment in our lives may start to vanish, as our newly made friends become part of our everyday lives, and challenge us with **routine**. The result is that we tend to be lured by some new fad to set our minds on fire. On the contrary, that is absolutely the **best** moment to escape the ultimate monotony of yearning for changes of seasons in life. In this case, the new is the enemy of the deeper. It prevents us from truly accomplishing greatness in our lives.

The moral of this story is aimed at those who receive this publication, look at it briefly, smile at some happy memories, and then throw it out—along with Cursillo's potential to **change their world for the better**. I ask you to make a resolution, before the New Year, to renew your interest in re-forming a Group Reunion (in which you and your friends make personal goals, as well as plans to change your environment). This will change Cursillo, from a single season of insight in your life, to a deep awareness of what's going on in your world, and an unending urgency to win this world completely for Christ!

## *The Deacon's Two Cents*



**IF THE SUIT DOESN'T FIT...**

**By Deacon Bill Jacobs**

I have had the privilege of serving many Cursillo teams as a critiquer of rollos for upcoming Cursillo weekends. (I'm not sure that the rollistas are always happy to see me there!) There is a great idea in the outline for the Study rollo. It reminds us to look back at our understanding of God when we made our First Communion. We need to recognize, as the rollo puts it, that "our First Communion clothing does not fit us anymore."

So it is with our knowledge of the Catholic faith. Our commitment to study, as the second leg of the tripod, involves growing in understanding and knowledge of our faith. We must strive to deepen our understanding of the God of the universe—how to grow in our relationship with Him, how to understand His will for us more clearly, and how to act on that will, in serving God and our neighbor.

Too many of us, however, are stuck in our old ways of understanding the faith, because we have not tried to grow in our efforts at study. (Deacon Bill, to the front of that line, please.) We spend too much of our free time in pursuits of pleasures that do not last—reading trashy novels, or surfing the internet, or watching sports, or cooking shows, or the latest zombie TV series!

We can grow in our relationship with other people by learning more about them. How much more important, then, is it for us to learn more about God, because that is the most important relationship in our lives! Take time for pleasure, but set aside more time for meaningful study of the ways of the Lord, through Bible study, lives of the saints, or the works of the great modern Catholic authors like Scott Hahn or Matthew Kelly or countless others. Don't just read good books, read the best books!

Let us all get to work on "sewing a new suit" of the understanding of our faith. May we all have spiritual growth through growth in knowledge. With God's help, we can do it!

## 2015 Region IV Fall Encounter, Louisville Kentucky, Oct. 9-11, 2015

By Angie Feltz

Why did you go to Cursillo? Take a moment and reflect on your Cursillo weekend. The Holy Spirit **was** in charge.... and you followed with your heart and your mind. What about after you returned home? You were energized to be the instrument of God to make a friend, be a friend and bring your friend to Christ. But you only knew what you heard on the weekend. ...

Fast forward to today.... Have you taken the time to learn more about the movement? The Diocese of Knoxville was well represented at the Cursillo Encounter in Louisville, KY Oct. 9-11<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Alex and Angela Feltz are members of the Regional Service Team, and presented talks along with the rest of the Service Team, which included guests Cef Aguillon and Hoang Tran from the National Cursillo Office. The talks were about the “behind the scenes” workings of the Cursillo movement.

The Regional Service Team is created from the diocese in Region IV. Our region includes Tennessee; Kentucky; Arkansas; Springfield-Cape Girardeau and St. Louis in MO; Belleville, Illinois; Indianapolis, Indiana; and Cincinnati, Ohio. We gather twice a year to share the charism of Cursillo, namely, that of Friendship. Our weekend is like your Cursillo weekend, and includes morning and evening prayer and daily Mass. We listen to talks by the Service Team and have table discussions and reports to the larger community.

It is always a great inspiration to listen to Fr. Alex! But we were blessed with the presence of Hoang Tran and Cef Aguillon from the National Cursillo office. We heard talks on Communion (community) and the School of Leaders, as well as talks on Pre-Cursillo, Cursillo and the Secretariat.

On Saturday night of your weekend in the Leaders Rollo, you were told that you are a LEADER. So, what do leaders do? They lead by example and they learn. Do you take the time to learn about the Cursillo movement, or is your focus on being a member of a team and attending a three-day Cursillo weekend as a team member? There is so much more for you to know about the Pre-Cursillo, the School of Leaders, and even the Secretariat, to help you understand the workings of the Cursillo Movement in our diocese. And we cannot have a successful movement without YOU! Learning more about the Cursillo Movement will benefit you, both as a team leader and as a sponsor of a future candidate.

Do you attend the School of Leaders (4<sup>th</sup> day Workshop)? Are you attending a Group Reunion and Ultreya? Start now.... Get involved. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraph 1784 it says, “The education of the conscience is a lifelong task.” Take the time to learn more about the Cursillo movement as well as growing in your own personal relationship with Jesus by participating in Group Reunion and Ultreya and School of Leaders.





**2015 Region IV Fall Encounter  
Louisville Kentucky, Oct. 9-11, 2015**



# Secretariat Positions

**POSITIONS ON THE SECRETARIAT ARE UP FOR ELECTION:**

**Spanish PreCursillo Representative:** Application coordinator, screening for eligibility, and communicating all information concerning the upcoming weekend to the candidates and the rector/a. Also works with sponsors to communicate their role in the Cursillo process.

## **Music Representative**

### **Webmaster (Assistant to the Secretariat)**

Have you looked at the Knoxville Cursillo web page lately? It is a simple page that only takes a few moments to maintain as updates come about because of the calendar of events in our Cursillo movement. Do you have any experience maintaining a web page? Do you have a desire to work with the Secretariat in keeping everyone informed about the happenings of our Cursillo Community? Contact Micheline Parkey for more information by email [michelineparkey@epbf.com](mailto:michelineparkey@epbf.com)

**If God is calling you to one of these positions, please submit in writing your willingness. Send it via email to: [judymassogliaholt@gmail.com](mailto:judymassogliaholt@gmail.com) or by mail to: Judy Holt, 10 Flamingo Ct., Johnson City, TN 37601. Please pray for discernment.**

***This is man's glory, to persevere and abide in the service of God.***

# Cursillo Calendar 2015

Event	Date/Time/Location	Contact
4 <sup>th</sup> Day Workshop	<b>Feb 7 (Sat)</b> 10:00am-2:00pm at St. Thomas (Lenoir City)	Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz
Secretariat	<b>Mar 14 (Sat)</b> 10:00am-2:00pm at Our Lady of Fatima (Alcoa)	Judy Holt
Parish Rep/Post Cursillo Workshop	<b>April 11</b> 10:00-2:00pm at St. Thomas (Lenoir City)	Micheline Parkey
Spring Regional Encounter LD/SA Regional Encounter	<b>April 24-26 (Fri-Sun)</b> St. Louis	Judy Holt
4 <sup>th</sup> Day Workshop	<b>May 2 (Sat)</b> 10:00am-2:00pm at Sacred Heart (Shea Room) Knoxville	Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz
Secretariat	<b>June 13 (Sat)</b> 10:00am-2:00pm at Our Lady of Fatima (Alcoa)	Judy Holt
Diocesan Encounter	<b>July 11</b> 10:00-2:00 at St. Thomas (Lenoir City)	Micheline Parkey
National Cursillo Encounter	<b>July 23-26 (Thurs-Sun)</b> Philadelphia, PA, at Villanova University	Judy Holt
4 <sup>th</sup> Day Workshop	<b>Aug 1 (Sat)</b> 10:00am-2:00pm at Sacred Heart (Shea Room) Knoxville	Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz
Spanish Women's Cursillo	<b>Aug 27-30</b> Postponed until further notice	Guadalupe Esponiza
Secretariat	<b>Sept 12 (Sat)</b> 10:00am-2:00pm at Our Lady of Fatima (Alcoa)	Judy Holt
Spanish Men's Cursillo	<b>Sept 24-27 (Thurs-Sun)</b> Apison	Guadalupe Esponiza
Grand Ultreya/ 4 <sup>th</sup> Day Workshop	<b>Oct 3 (Sat)</b> 10:00am-2:00pm at St. Thomas (Lenoir City)	Micheline Parkey Manuel Quintino Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz
Fall Regional Encounter	<b>Oct 9-11 (Fri-Sun)</b> Louisville, KY	Judy Holt
English Men's Cursillo	<b>Oct 15-18 (Thurs-Sun)</b> Apison	Yurison & Maria Cornejo
English Women's Cursillo	<b>Nov 19-22 (Thurs-Sun)</b> Apison	Yurison & Maria Cornejo
Grand Ultreya/English Reunion Secretariat	<b>Dec 5 (Sat)</b> 10:00am-12:00pm Ultreya 12:00-2:00 Secretariat at St. Thomas (Lenoir City)	Micheline Parkey Manuel Quintino Judy Holt

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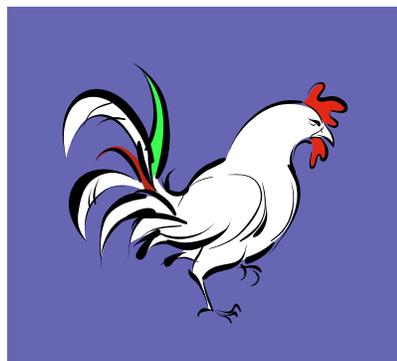
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