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DIocese of KNOXVILLE CURSILLO

The Rooster Crows

AUGUST

DID YOU KNOW?

Gaius Julius Caesar Octavianus, known to historians as Augustus, was the second Emperor, or Caesar, of the Roman Empire. Many significant events happened in his career during the month of Sextilius (*sixth month*). The name of the month was changed to August, in his honor.

Caesar Augustus held a census which is recorded in the second chapter of the gospel of Luke. Joseph had to travel to Bethlehem to be recorded for the census, and his foster child Jesus was born there as a result of the census trip.

Let [Jesus] into the muck and mire of our world. For only if we let him in can he pull us out.

—Max Lucado





The Director's Chair

Building on a Firm Foundation

by Judy Holt, Lay Director

During these weeks of summer, I hope that among the many ways we use this grace-filled time, we might devote more time to pray. I think that it is usually hard to “find” time to pray. We need to “make” time to pray. I know in my own life, I need to make prayer part of my routine in order to be faithful to it. I carve out time from my day every morning and every evening for prayer.

There is a finite amount of time in each day...24 hours. What we do with that time is up to us. We must choose to use a certain amount of that precious time to become conscious of God's presence in our lives, and to experience his love for us. Our choice is necessary, for apart from the truly mystical gift that God occasionally gives us, it is rare that such experiences just happen out of the blue. Making time for prayer doesn't always guarantee an experience of the consolation of God, but it does put us in a place, physically and spiritually, where we are receptive to such a gift. It's also important to pray in times of desolation, when we feel distant from God.

There are no more hours in a summer day than any other time of the year. But our routines change with travel and vacations. Changes in routines during this season of summer may give us an opportunity, not to “find” time for prayer, but to “make” time to pray, in ways that will continue beyond these months of summer and perhaps for the rest of our lives!

Every change of the seasons, like the beginning of a new year, is an opportunity to make resolutions. As we are now fully in the midst of the season of summer, may one of our resolutions be to make time to pray and continue to grow in our Piety, Study, and Action.

DIACONATE ORDINATION JUNE 11, 2016



Deacon Bob Ketteringham with Deacon Erasmo Hernandez
Deacon "Butch" Feldhaus



Deacon Gil Campos, Deacon Tom Tidwell



Inspiration Corner

by Fr. Joe Brando, Spiritual Director

Closer than I Thought

A couple of weeks ago a friend sent me a strange letter. The main content of the envelope was a page out of the current edition of *The Magnificat*. This wonderful monthly “mini magazine” contains the liturgical readings and prayers of the month. They also have a feature they call *Saint Who?* featuring a short biography, among other interesting things, about an unfamiliar saint. I received a *Saint Who?* Page on Saint Maria Cristina Brando, who died in 1906 and was canonized in 2014 by Pope Francis.

What struck me most was the similarity of traits. It is not improbable that we are distant relatives. Imagine sharing kindred DNA with a saint!

Yet, come to think of it, all the saints are close to us. We share the very source of their being every time we receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Communion. That communion includes a bond that we have with every saint.

Therefore, we are never left alone in this world. We have real people, who are closely related to us, looking at us and sending us help from heaven whenever we need it. Whether it is my ‘cousin’ Adelaide (she took the religious name Maria Cristina), or one of the Apostles, any of them are only a prayer away. And they give us strength when we need it. When things get tough for us, they are with us all the way. They are our friends...and sometimes, even, our relatives.

The Deacon's Two Cents



MUST I DO THAT TOO?

By Deacon Bill Jacobs

I am always heartened by the commitment that Cursillistas have to growing in faith through piety. Sharings in Group Reunion and Ultreya are filled with great successes in commitments to extra masses, rosaries, visits to the blessed sacrament, and so on.

Except...that one item on the piety list that we would prefer to ignore—spiritual direction. What is it? How do I do it? How do I find one?

Spiritual direction refers to a relationship, which is more like spiritual companionship or friendship, where the director is present as a spiritual friend. That friend listens with the intent of helping the directee recognize how the Holy Spirit is leading and working in their life.

The goal is to help the directee to discern how the Holy Spirit is personally leading, recognizing that God has a special and distinct plan for each person's life. Everyone is not called exactly the same way. Like scripture says, there are many members of the body, and all are good and necessary. The idea is to determine and encourage the directee to be the unique person that God made them to be.

So all of us sinners need a friend like this! We need to seek out a trusted priest, deacon, religious, or trained layperson to walk with us on our spiritual journey. It might take a few tries before we find the right fit (just like with any friendship). Make the effort—I promise that the Lord will not let you down! Is your spiritual life stale or stagnant? Then get spiritual direction!

Secretariat Positions

Spanish PreCursillo: The Pre-Cursillo Representative shall study and propose to the Secretariat the plan of establishment of an extension of the Cursillo Movement in the diocese. He/She will process all Cursillo weekend applications, screen for eligibility, and communicate all information concerning the up-coming weekend to the candidates and the rector/rectora. Also works with sponsors to communicate their role in the Cursillo process.

Secretary:

Duties of the Secretary include taking notes at the Secretariat meetings and then sending them to each member of the Secretariat. The notes are to be given to the Webmaster to be put on the Knoxville Cursillo website. The Secretary also is in charge of the Annual Appeal drive for the Knoxville Cursillo.

Music Representative

Database Coordinator (Assistant to the Secretariat)

Coordinator Spanish Palanca (Assistant to the Secretariat)

POSITIONS UP IN DECEMBER 2016

Lay Director: Prepares agendas for and runs Secretariat meetings. He/she does everything possible to promote a spirit of unity among Secretariat members, School of Leaders, and throughout the whole diocesan Cursillo Movement. Prepares an annual report.

English Pre-Cursillo: The Pre-Cursillo Representative shall study and propose to the Secretariat the plan of establishment of an extension of the Cursillo Movement in the diocese. He/She will process all Cursillo weekend applications, screen for eligibility, and communicate all information concerning the up-coming weekend to the candidates and the rector/rectora. Also works with sponsors to communicate their role in the Cursillo process.

English Cursillo: The Cursillo Representative shall present to the Secretariat names of prospective coordinators and help all leaders to carry out all that is required on the 3 -Day Cursillo according to the official literature. He/she will preside and coordinate the Clausura of the Cursillo weekend. He/she will be responsible for getting the new Cursillista names, addresses, and email addresses from the Rector/Rectora of the Cursillo Weekends (the Roster) and give to the Cursillo Secretariat Secretary to be placed in the archives and mailing list.

Spanish Post Cursillo: The Post Cursillo Representative shall, for the benefit of all Cursillistas, promote the essential means of perseverance (group reunion and Ultreya) and establish fundamental standards for managing the same according to the official literature. Working with the Secretary, will publish or distribute pertinent material for the information and orientation of the Cursillistas. He/She will gather the necessary statistical data to supply for the Secretariat opportune information concerning the progress of the Movement in the diocese with particular reference to the environments to be evangelized.

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

If God is calling you to one of these positions, please submit in writing your willingness.

Send it via email to: 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.
--Saint Irenaeus, Father of the Church***

Cursillo Calendar 2016

Event	Date/Time/Location	Contact
4 th Day Workshop/ Secretariat	Feb 6 (Sat) 9:30am-11:30am St. John Neumann Catholic School Library 12:00pm-2:00pm Secretariat	Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz Judy Holt
4 th Day Workshop/ Secretariat	April 2 (Sat) 9:30am-11:30am 12:00pm-2:00pm Secretariat	Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz Judy Holt
Spring Regional Encounter LD/SA Regional Encounter	April 22-24 (Fri-Sun) Lancaster, KY	Judy Holt
4 th Day Workshop/ Secretariat	June 4 (Sat) 9:30am-11:30am 12:00pm-2:00pm Secretariat St. Thomas, Lenoir City	Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz Judy Holt
Spanish Women's Cursillo	Jun 23-26 Apison	Amelia Saucedo Berta Saucedo
Diocesan Encounter Spanish Reunion	July 9 Spanish Reunion -- 10 am (no Grand Ultreya) Diocesan Encounter Mass -- 11:30 am for English & Spanish Communities, Fiesta -- 12:30 pm	
National Cursillo Encounter	Aug 4-7 (Thurs-Sun) Lewis University in Romeoville, IL near Chicago, IL	Judy Holt
Spanish Men's Cursillo	Aug 25-28 Apison	Amelia Saucedo Berta Saucedo
4 th Day Workshop/ Secretariat	Sept 3 (Sat) 9:30am-11:30am 12:00pm-2:00pm Secretariat St. Thomas, Lenoir City	Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz Judy Holt
Spanish Reunion	Sept 11 (Sun) 2:00pm-4:00pm St. Thomas, Lenoir City	
Fall Regional Encounter	Sept 23-25 Sarto Retreat Center, Evansville, IN	Judy Holt
English Women's Cursillo	Oct 27-30 Apison	Yurisan Cornejo Maria Cornejo
English Men's Cursillo	Nov 17-20 Apison	Yurisan Cornejo Maria Cornejo
English Reunion/Grand Ultreya Secretariat	Dec 3 (Sat) 9:30am-11:30am Reunion/Grand Ultreya 12:00pm-2:00pm Secretariat TBA	Dave Campbell Jorge Saenz Judy Holt

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Coordinator, Prayer Chain – vacant

Webmaster – Vacant



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On You!**

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<http://www.knoxvillecursillo.org/>**