



Fourth Day News



Secretariat Corner

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222nd Men's Cursillo Weekend "Let the Holy Spirit Guide Us"

CALLED TO BE A COORDINATOR ...

I received the call from 3-Day to be the coordinator for the upcoming Men's weekend in November. "Shocked, I said to myself - ME! I was so honored and replied that I would. I immediately went into prayer asking our Brother Jesus and the Holy Spirit to help me be ready, get prepared, and be that servant leader He wanted me to be. After much continued prayer, I met with my Small Group Reunion and some very personal friends for their support.

These extraordinary prayer warriors assured me of their continued prayer and support. A few months after receiving the call, I found myself reaching out to men who could be team members for this weekend.



With much prayer to the Holy Spirit and Brother Jesus, planning for the Formation process for Team 222nd begun.

In the development of our theme, I began to think of my reliance on the Holy Spirit and how strong my belief in him was. I found in my reading to solidify my belief how the Holy Spirit is synonymous with God himself. In Hebrews 10:15-17, the reference is very clear:

"And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their misdeeds no more."

During a close moment in church, my theme "Let the Holy Spirit Guide Us" was confirmed. I began putting together the core and the team and the following came in place.

Joining me in saying yes to the command to "Let the Holy Spirit Guide Us" are the team members of 222nd: Fr. Pawel Sass, Head Spiritual Director (Sacraments, Life in Grace), Fr. Jack Kennealy, serving as an Assistant Spiritual Advisor (Prodigal Son Meditation, Habitual Grace, Actual Grace), Deacon Steve Reeves, Spiritual Advisor, (Three Glances of Christ Meditation, Obstacles to the Life of Grace, Christ's Message to the Cursillistas); Charles Smallwood, Head Musician (Study of the Environments, Table Leader); Toni Abresch, Musician (The Person of Christ Meditation), John Clifford, Musician (Table Leader), James Brightful, Head Shepherd (Action), assisted by Stefan Abresch, (Ideal), Willie McNeil (Layperson in the Church, Table Leader).

Our remaining Table Leaders include Anthony Colbert (Study); Darrell Ahne (Leaders) and Mike Davenport (Christianity in Action). My team assistant, Charles Wiley (The Cursillista beyond the Cursillo) and I (Total Security) make a complete team. Our Team is blessed with the support of our Liaison, Sheila Vallot.

Your prayers and Palanca will be the "spiritual irritants" necessary for the transformation that takes place over the weekend. Then, throughout their Fourth Day, our new brothers will be able to truly "Let the Holy Spirit Guide Us".

De Colores
Michael Lillis, Coordinator
222nd Men's Weekend

Fifth Day Corner



Jocelyn Watts Dugue`

George L Bibbins

As Cursillistas, we live our Fourth Day, preparing to live our Fifth Day when the Lord calls us home. At this writing, two of our beloved best and brightest began their 5th Day walk Jocelyn Dugue` on August 24th and George Bibbins on October 7th. Quietly they slipped away after years of faithful service. There is a void that we cannot fill but our Father, Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in union with the Holy Spirit will benefit as they arrive in his Kingdom. We will miss Jocelyn (affectionately called "MeMe") and George but we know that we are all destined to see one another again.

De Colores!

A Prayer by our sister and brother who have gone before us:

Father in Heaven we all were gifted, graced and blessed in Your love, and mercy. Some used those gifts to their true potential and we thank You for those persons in our Family, in our Community. Two of those truly gifted Cursillistas, Jocelyn Dugue´ and George Bibbins have been called back to You. They have been retired and released of their duties and we thank You for letting them be with us as long as you did. We may not have been ready for them to leave us, we may not have felt their works were done but we do not have the power of life or death, only You do. We know how hard Jocelyn and George worked here using the gifts that You provided them, and we knew they were tired. We now know that they are with You and You have rewarded them when the angel came to get them. We know that they are standing with the our beloved Cursillistas who have gone before them, ready to take their steps into that 5th Day. Because we know this we could let Jocelyn and George go, but it does not lessen the grief or sorrow because they are not with us any longer, so we ask You to strengthen and lift us up as we get adjusted to not hearing their voices; sooth our hearts that are now heavy and renew our spirits as we remember, we will see them again. In Jesus name we pray, Amen, Amen, Amen.

(James Brightful and Lethia Kelly)



A Special Thanksgiving to our Cursillo Community

My dear loving friends, brother and sister Cursillistas, De Colores,

Thank you for your loving prayers, Mass cards, words of comfort, and beautiful flowers on the recent passing of my daughter, Maisha (Mia) Hunter. Mia was, and continues to be, a very special part of our family who will live in our hearts forever. Your support made this very difficult time in my life a little easier. Thank You!

There is a native American quote which says, *“The day you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced. Live your life so that when you die, the world cries and you rejoice.”* Mia was an extraordinary woman who lived each day giving witness to her faith through word and deed. Today, Mia rejoices as she rests in the arms of Jesus. Today, we cry, and tomorrow, we rejoice, for having been graced with her presence.

*God saw you getting tired and a cure
was not to be.
So, he put his arms around you, and whispered
“Come to Me”.
With tearful eyes we watched you, we watched
you fade away.
Although we loved you dearly, we could not
make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking
hands now rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us He only
takes the best.*

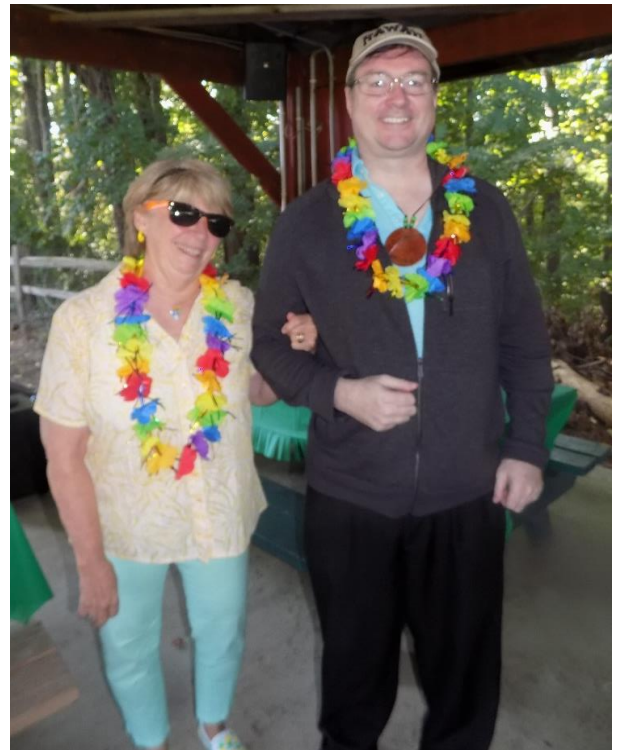
Love, Jackie DeMesme-Gray (Mom)

2017 ANNUAL CURSILLO PICNIC HIGHLIGHTS!

“It Was a Wonderful Luau!”

St. John Vianney

**Starting with the main Guest of Honor, the
Roasted Pig!!!**



Cheryl Kerwin & Mike Lillis



221st Women's Weekend Team Members



222nd Men's Weekend Team Members



If you need prayer or know someone who does, please send your request to James Brightful at Pray911amen@gmail.com.

*"Lord Jesus, you have captured our hearts and opened to us the treasures of heaven. May you always be my treasure and delight and may nothing else keep me from giving you my all."
—Daily prayer, Don Schwager © 2017*



"Thank you, Lord for Your gift of friends and family, they are there in our time of need. It is their

strength, support and love which can keep us lifted and encouraged when we need it most. It is their love which keeps us reminded of Your love. In the faces of our friends we see Your face. In the voices of friends and family we hear Your voice. In the hearts of family and friends we feel Your love. It is with You, in You, and by way of You we are truly blessed as family and friends we are never alone in our pain and never without in our time of need. Amen."
—James

2017 – 2018 PRODUCTION SCHEDULE



4th. QUARTER 2017

ADVENT ISSUE

Oct. – Dec. 2017

Submission Deadline

Nov. 30, 2017

Publish Date – Dec. 6, 2017

1st. QUARTER 2018 ISSUE

Jan. – Mar. 2018

Submission Deadline

Mar. 2, 2018

Publish Date – Mar. 19, 2018

2nd. QUARTER 2018 ISSUE

April - June 2018

Submission Deadline

July 2, 2018

Publish Date – July 16, 2018

**Submit articles by email at any time to:
Lethia Kelly
communications@washdc-cursillo.org**

Editor's Corner

Do you have thoughts, poems, prayers, or reflections to share? The Washington Cursillo® Community wants to hear from you!! **Ultreya Leaders**, please send us your sharing — it would be great to hear from each leader at least once a year!

Babe Chicks your articles are the most important ones. Let us hear from you. **If you know someone who has gone on to their 5th Day**, we need your memories.

Please send them before the submission deadlines!!!!

Articles should be submitted in Arial 12 Font Size no later than the "submission deadline" listed on the Production Schedule.

Remember to sign your articles with your name, weekend, and Ultreya.

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The Washington Cursillo® Movement website is

<http://www.washdc-cursillo.org>



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2017 - 2018

Cursillo Weekends

November 16-19, 2017

222nd Men's Cursillo Weekend
Coordinator, Michael Lillis
Liaison, Shelia Vallot

December 2, 2017

222nd Men's Weekend Learning Ultreya

CURSILLO SCHOOL OF LEADERS (CSOL)

St. Joseph's Church

2020 Saint Joseph's Dr., Largo, MD 20774
7:00pm – 8:50pm

2017

Workshop Schedule

November 15, 2017

Advent Day of Reflection

December 3, 2017

2018

Workshop Schedule

January 17, 2018

February 21, 2018

March 21, 2018

April 18, 2018

May 16, 2018

June 20, 2018

August 16th - 19th, 2018

28th National Cursillo Encounter

Seattle University

Seattle, Washington

See *National Cursillo Center website* at <https://www.natl-cursillo.org> to register.

- **Book Your Cabin Now:** *Cursillo 7day Princess Alaskan Cruise, August 19th - 26th, 2018*, to depart from the Port of Seattle, immediately following 28th National Encounter.
- Voted the “*Best Cruise Line for Food Lovers*” by the Food and Wine Magazine **and** “*Best Cruise Line in Alaska*” by Travel Weekly for 10 consecutive years.
- Board the Emerald Princess with Cursillistas and others for a spectacular and blessed week at sea along the Alaska-Inside Passage.
- Visit 4 Ports of Call - Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway and Victoria, British Columbia - and exercise the option to book exciting excursions at each port and participate in Mass, Ultreya, rosary at sea.
- Book your cabin at group rate to receive "**special promotions**" of pre-paid gratuities and on-board credits. Final payment due May 16, 018. Cancellations with full refund must be made by May 15, 2016.
- Cabins may be booked **after** October 27th at the “group rate”!
- Cursillo Alaskan Cruise is organized by a group of Cursillo friends (not sponsored by National Cursillo Center) who were richly blessed by the Cursillo Pilgrimage to the 2017 World Ultreya.
- ***Those participating at the 28th National Encounter and on the Alaska cruise will be picked up at Seattle University and taken to the port.*** Those cruising only, we will see you at the port.

Contact Cindy Kryk, Vacations-to-go cruise specialist at: 800-514-9986 Ext 7247 to book your cabin now. Reference **2018 Cursillo Alaskan Cruise ID# TRFE825** for our group rates and benefits. Together, let us share these wonderful Cursillo opportunities with friends... *together*, let us be blessed and that special blessing to others!

Ultreya Based CSOL Sessions

Montgomery County: November 11, 2017

Calvert County: January 5, 2018

National Encounter Seattle University Seattle

Washington August 16-19, 2018



ULTREYA

Assumption

1:30pm, 2nd Saturday
Undercroft
Assumption Church

Gwendolyn Jarmon
gwendolyn.jarman@rcn.com

Richard Sylvester

Bowie-Lanham

7:00pm, 2nd Friday
St. Edward's, Bowie

Jim Carrier
jamescarrier@comcast.net

Calvert County

7:30pm, 2nd Monday
St. John Vianney
Church Basement

Leanne Stivers
lcstivers87@gmail.com
Cathy Martinoli
auntcathy20736@yahoo.com

Central PG County

7pm, 4th Monday
Rosemont Room
St. Joseph's in Largo

Burma Hill
burmahill57@aol.com
Thelma Adams
thelmaadams1@verizon.net
Vanetta Wallace
nettastnest@verizon.net

East of the River

7:30pm, 4th Friday
OLPH
1st Portable Bldg.

Pearl Baylor
301-894-8405
pearlbaylor@yahoo.com

Rita Robinson
301-297-7769

equityassurance@hotmail.com

Forestville

7:00pm, 2nd Sunday
St. John the Evangelist
Church Hall

MaryAnne Upright
301-868-5774
MAUpright@aol.com

Laurel

7:30pm, 3rd Friday
St. Nicholas Church
8603 Contee Road
Laurel, MD 20708

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Montgomery County
7:30pm, 1st Saturday
Missionaries of the
Most Holy Trinity Home
1733 Metzertott Road
Adelphi MD

Sue Numrich
SNumrich@ida.org
Faye McAneny
301-806-0960

North Montgomery County
7:15pm, 3rd Friday
St. Paul's Church Hall
9240 Damascus Rd.
Damascus, MD 20872

Steve & Rosemary
Reeves
301-391-6580
steve55reeves@outlook.com

NE/SE

7:30pm, 1st Friday
St. Anthony's Cafeteria

Carrie Clark
Carriejohnsonclark@yahoo.com
Duane Clark
Trekkiefu1957@yahoo.com

St. Teresa of Avila

7:30pm, 2nd Monday
St. Teresa's Church
Parish Life Center (PLC)
14th & V Streets, SE
Washington, DC

Paul M. Washington
pmwashi@hotmail.com
staultreya@gmail.com

So. Maryland

7pm, 4th Wednesday
St. Mary's Church
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