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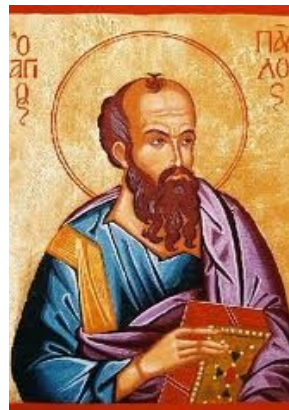


Diocese of Fargo Cursillo Newsletter

From the Desk of the Lay Director

Here we are at the beginning of another month. Summer has finally arriving so let the summer festivities begin, but at the same time don't forget to put our Lord Jesus Christ at the top of your list. Some things seem to get put aside as we enjoy the lakes and camping and such things that go with summer fun. Cursillo weekend dates for the upcoming year are set. (See page 3 of the newsletter.) We have some good news to report on School of Leaders (SCOL). SCOL will be starting in Jamestown. A big thank you to those that stepped forward to take this

on. The Jamestown SCOL will give Cursillista's from that area the opportunity to be more involved. It is always nice to get new Cursillista's involved with the Cursillo weekends and joining SCOL. If you would like to serve on the weekend team join the SCOL. The time commitment is approximately two (2) hours a month. That is all it takes to serve others as part of a conference room team. We do not meet in June, July or August. Meetings will resume in September. Look for more information on page 3 of this newsletter. May the Lord watch over you and your family and keep you safe



The Secretariat is the governing body for the Cursillo

in His arms. Wear your life jackets while on the water and enjoy the nice weather in the months ahead. Don't forget to pray to our Blessed Mother with a daily Rosary. God loves you and so do I.

Until next time.

*Norman Olson –
Lay Director*

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*"Make a Friend, Be a Friend,
Bring a Friend to Christ!"*

Bringing Friends to Christ

The Cursillo motto is “Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ” and the mission is to build a vertebrae of Christianity throughout our communities. Each Cursillista is called to study the environments in which they live and work. Then though their prayers and works bring Christ into those environments. That being said – how much time and effort is allocated to this mission? When was the last time you spoke to a non-Catholic or non-Christian about your Catholic faith?

My focus in Cursillo has been to establish and build strong cadres of small groups so that we could all grow in our piety, study, and action together and encourage each other along the way. In the back of my mind I would search for other Catholics who I thought might be interested in living a Cursillo weekend and in turn joining a small group. I do not think I am alone in how I live out my calling to be a Cursillo leader. But am I on the right track? Is that what the mission of Cursillo is?

The answer is partly yes – we are called upon to invite other Catholics to live a Cursillo

weekend and join us in small groups. But that is not what it is all about...right? In the past few months the Holy Spirit has been working on me; trying to get me to understand that I am not fulfilling my call as a Cursillista to Christianize my environments. I came to realize that in order to bring others to Christ – I needed to arm myself much in the same way as I would to bring a fellow Catholic to Cursillo. These are the steps that I have begun to follow in order for the Holy Spirit to be able to work through me to bring others to Christ:

Prayer: In the same way I would pray for Christ to open my eyes for potential Cursillo candidates – I now pray that He will open my eyes for potential Catholic candidates or Catechumens.

Get Smart: I know when the upcoming Cursillo weekends are, where to find applications and how to be a sponsor– but what do I know about the Right of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)? RCIA is a program of preparation for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Church. It culminates at the Holy Saturday

night mass where Catechumens are baptized and receive the sacraments of initiation.

Get prepared: Talk to your pastor and find out if your parish offers an RCIA program. If it does find out when it will start and what the application process entails. If your parish does not offer the program find out what the nearest parish is that does.

Listen: Now that you have been praying, getting smart and getting prepared – start paying attention to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. Is someone asking you questions about your faith? Is there another person who is simply looking for meaning in their life?

I have begun this process for myself. I sat down with my pastor at Sts. Anne and Joachim parish a couple of weeks ago and learned that the classes at my parish will begin on September 8 and run for 26 sessions on Thursday nights from 7-9 PM. Just having that information will help me the next time the Holy Spirit puts me into a situation where someone is interested in learning more about the Catholic Church. I can invite them to RCIA!

School of Leaders

Upcoming SCOL Sessions

- ◆ Saturday, **September 17**, @ 9:30 am, Fargo.
- ◆ Sunday, **September 18**, @ 7:00 pm, Grafton.
- ◆ Wednesday, **September 21**, @ 7:00 pm, Valley City.
- ◆ Karlsruhe, TBD

In order to maintain an Active Status in the SCOL members are required to attend more than 50% of the meetings.

Call Ben Seitz at (701) 540-8248 for more information.

News & Updates

Cursillo Weekend Schedule

Belcourt Men's	October 20-23, 2016
Belcourt Women's	October 27-30, 2016
Harvey Men's	February 9-12, 2017
Harvey Women's	February 16-19, 2017
Hankinson Men's	March 9-12, 2017
Hankinson Women's	March 23-27, 2017

National Cursillo Newsletter

Go to <http://www.natl-cursillo.org/news/>

World Wide Cursillo Schedule

Offer Palanca for Them!

Go to <http://www.cursillo.org/palanca/> for a list of Cursillos.

Next Secretariat Meeting

Saturday, September 10, 2016, 10:00 am.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Carrington, ND. All Fargo Diocese Cursillo members are welcome to attend.



Cursillo Prayer Chain

There are two ways to participate in the prayer chain — Go to www.cursillond.org

- Sign up to be a member of the prayer chain by simply typing in your name and email address. Then whenever anyone enters a prayer request you will receive an email with the prayer intention.
- Enter a prayer request—simply click on the prayer request link which will open an email. Fill in your prayer request and it will be forwarded to all members of the prayer chain.

Small Group Reunion Locator

If you wish to start a new small group & are looking for others in your area—send an email to cursillond@gmail.com

Belcourt

Men's & Women's

3rd Thursday 6:00 PM
Queen of Peace Retreat Center
POC: Denise Keplin

Cooperstown Area

Men & Women's Group

4th Wednesday at 7:00 PM
St. George Church, Cooperstown, ND

Devil's Lake

St. Joseph's Mixed Group

Thursday 6:00 AM church basement
1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 PM church basement
POC: Hayley Kaffar (218) 791-4587

Edgeley

Women's Group

Thursday 5:00 PM Transfiguration Adoration Chapel
POC: Sandi Horsager (701) 320-5251

Fargo

Sts Anne & Joachim Men's Group

Every Saturday at 7:00 AM
Sts Anne & Joachim Parish
POC: Ben Seitz (701) 540-8248

Sts Anne & Joachim Women's Group

2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Sts Anne & Joachim Parish POC:
Barb Jones (701) 200-3646

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Every Saturday at 7:00 AM
Sts Anne & Joachim Parish
POC: Jennine Seitz (701) 540-8668

Holy Spirit Men's & Women's Group

1st & 3rd Mondays at 7:00 PM
Ave Maria Room (Enter thru main doors and turn left)
POC: Randy and Cindy Ternes-Harms (701) 212-8796

Friday Night Rosary Prayer Group

Friday Night at 7:30 PM
3025 37th Ave S. Fargo
POC: Jennine Seitz (701) 540-8668

Grafton

Women's Group

1st & 3rd Tuesday at 6:15 PM
St. John's Catholic Church
POC: Cynthia Janousek (701) 520-1149

Grand Forks

Grand Forks Women's Group

Fridays 8:00 AM Perkins 13th & Columbia Road
POC: Annette Noehre
lanoe@midco.net

Men & Women's Group

Thursdays at 8:00 PM
St. Michael's Church Basement

Jamestown

St James Basilica POC: Jodi Grugel
(701) 320-8498

Men's Groups

Sundays 9:40-10:20 AM Holy Spirit room

Tuesdays at 5:10 PM Holy Spirit Room

Women's Groups

Sundays 9:40-10:20 AM St Thomas room

1st & 3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM St Thomas or Community Room

Monday's 6:30 - 7:30 AM in St Thomas room

LaMoure

Women's and Men's Group

Tuesday's 6:00 AM Norm & Sue Goehring's residence
POC: Sue Goehring (701) 883-5724

Women's Group

Wednesday 7:30 PM Holy Rosary Church
POC: Sheila Hanson (701) 883-4460

Minto Area

Men's Group

Meets 1st Wednesday of the month at Sacred Heart Church in Minto 7:30 PM.
POC: Keith Zikmund (701) 520-9751

Women's Group

Meets 1st Thursdays 7:00 PM
Sacred Heart Church, Minto, ND
POC: Joan Schanilec (701)-360-2499

Mixed Group

Meets 3rd Sunday of the month at 7 PM (alternating Sacred Heart Church in Minto and St. John's in Grafton) POC: Joan Schanilec at 701-360-2499

Valley City

Tuesday evening Men's Group

Tuesdays 7:00 PM St. Catherine Church basement
POC: Deacon Carl Orthman
(701) 845-6271

Friday morning Men's Group

Fridays 6:00 AM St, Catherine Church basement
POC: Deacon Joe Leitner (701) 845-0817

Wednesday Morning Women's Group

Wednesday 8:45 AM St. Catherine Parish Hall Committee Room
POC: Lela Grim (701) 845-4067

Tuesday Women's Groups

6:00 AM St. Catherine Parish Office
POC Lauri Kupitz (701) 490-1475

3:45 PM St. Catherine Parish Office

POC: Deb Didier (701) 845-5317

Wahpeton

Men's Group

Mondays 6:00 - 7:00 AM St John's Parish (KC Room)
POC: Rod Koch (701) 274-8282