

# GOOD NEWS DISPATCH



## Diocese of Fargo Cursillo Newsletter

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### *From the Lay Director:*

The quickly falling leaves let us know that another month is already behind us. How time flies!

November is a time we gather to give thanks as a nation. God's blessings on your celebrations. In November Catholics also remember those loved ones and friends who have passed away. We pray for the souls of the faithful departed and to the saints who show us by their well lived lives a path to heaven. If you do not already have a saint or saints who you have a particular devotion to, now would be a good time to do a little research and choose one or more! They are great intercessors for us.

Team meetings have begun for the 2017 Cursillos scheduled for Harvey in February and Hankinson in March. The Belcourt Women's Cursillo was held in October with the Belcourt Men's Cursillo rescheduled for January 19-21, 2017. Please continue your prayers for all those on team and for candidates.

With summer behind us be sure to watch the newsletter for Ultreya announcements. If you are planning an Ultreya please email the particulars to [cursillond@gmail.com](mailto:cursillond@gmail.com) or post it on our Fargo Cursillo Facebook page. Let's get the word out.

God Bless, Norman Olson – Lay Director

*"It cannot be doubted that the prayers of the Church relieve the Holy Souls, move God to treat them with more clemency than their sins deserve."*                      *Saint Augustine*

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

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## Cursillo in Ten Points

Source: Eduardo Bonnin Aguiló Foundation

### Essence and Purpose of Cursillos in

**Christianity:** Cursillos in Christianity want to be a live element, and therefore grow and develop by affirming its criteria, which is its own and essential and therefore, avoid losing its identity when separated from it.

**Essence:** Cursillos are a lay Movement from the Church. Cursillo has a method that helps to make possible for people to live what is fundamental to being Christian.

**Purpose:** The purpose of Cursillo is life itself, not the Ultreya, nor the Group Reunion. Cursillo seeks to create a hunger for God rather than trying to satisfy it.

**Structure of Cursillos in Christianity:** We believe that if the Cursillo Movement is given space to live, in its basic structure of Group Reunion, Ultreya and School of Leaders, it can bring, through its own dynamic, the Good News of the Gospel to all the recesses of human existence, personal, family and social life. Cursillos in Christianity as a Movement are governed by its administrative element, a Diocesan Secretariat comprised of people who respect the guidelines of the Church.

**Mentality:** The living of what is fundamental to being Christian is to know, capture, and understand that God loves us. Therefore, keep it simple, center it, embody it, and clarify it by living, believing, and witnessing to the Gospel.

**School of Leaders:** The School of Leaders is a group of Christians united in an atmosphere of Group Reunion in order to accelerate and give effectiveness to the purpose which Cursillo wants to achieve. The School of Leaders is not a School of Formation, but is intended to be a School of Holiness attempting, in a climate of sincerity and authenticity, that its components are more focused on what is essential in Cursillo and more engaged in the journey of commitment among people and more integrated in the plans that unite them.

**Leaders:** These may be and are in fact all the people who accept and live even without knowing the truths expressed in the essence, purpose and mentality of

Cursillos in Christianity. Leaders, above all, are those who do not pretend to be. Leaders are those who open themselves each day to the astonishment of a God who loves them and to the admiration of their brothers and sisters.

**Group Reunion:** Cursillo does not seek for people to assume new commitments, but rather, to accept and give meaning to the commitments which they already have in life. This commitment which originates from life itself, and through living it and sharing it, we wish to convert it, to nothing more and nothing less, into a commitment of friendship. The Group Reunion is a channel for friendship in the conversion process. A friendship with purpose and atmosphere in which we can develop as persons and as Christians. The four important elements are: regularity, seriousness, discretion and sincerity.

**Ultreya:** The Ultreya is the act Cursillistas celebrate weekly with less intensity and less intimacy, but with greater diversity and increased possibility than the Group Reunion in order to admire and encourage each other in our common faith. The Ultreya serves to enhance our Group Reunion and in it the Cursillista seeks to become better by virtue of being better and being with the best. The Ultreya has to be lived and experienced and is not intended to be educational or formative.



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**Relations with the rest of the Church:** We believe that what is essentially evangelical goes toward an enlightened and dynamic sense of life in the person, and not toward the narrow minded in compliance and without the spirit of the principle. What is serious is not getting sidetracked from the path with distractions, but in distorting its purpose. What is difficult is the accompaniment of people and sharing with them “the associative force of friendship”. The journey of living with dedication and perseverance in the face of God and with the brothers and sisters can never be substituted by thoughtless programs in which the person is not given priority in moving towards God. Cursillo is not opposed that Cursillistas provide an active personal collaboration at the diocesan level, parish, etc. and that there have been and will continue to be many Cursillistas who will decide to do so without external pressures. There may be those who become leaders of many associations, church or civic; however, we think that to do this will lower the aim since Cursillo, without a doubt, aims at and is oriented toward a purpose much more efficient, effective and comprehensive that ensures that many men and women take the leap of faith and feel loved by God.

**Action:** By means of the three stages of

Precursillo, Cursillo and Postcursillo, the Cursillista attempts through his personal witness, to communicate the message to as many people as possible. For this, the Cursillista depends on the means of Group Reunion and Ultreya and with the grace of the Lord which is specifically related to the activity of the Cursillista to live in grace, or to attempt to live in grace or is sad for not living in grace. In summary, the expanded view of Cursillo in its most profound truth, certifies that the real encounter with self is the structure that makes possible the encounter with others and the Gospel.

**Respect for the Founding Group:** Cursillos in Christianity which were born in Mallorca rely on numerous people who knew and lived the Cursillo in its origins and with someone whom we recognize as the Founder and voice of Cursillo. To those possible enemies, with respect to these people they could be the subject of the words spoken by Pope Pius XII in a speech on June 10, 1953: “History has shown that ideas which are more fruitful tend to move slower when faced with conflicting interests. Experience has shown it a hundred times, in order for reasonable solutions to prevail, a single reason is not sufficient. The person who represents the interests of others, the one who speaks for them, must be governed by the will to serve. He must believe in the nobility of his own cause and be devoted without limits to a great deed



## School of Leaders

### Upcoming SCOL Sessions

- ◆ Sunday, November 13, @ 7:00 pm, Sacred Heart Church basement, Minto.
- ◆ Saturday, November 12, @ 9:30 am, 3025 37th Ave S, Fargo. (Location change for this month only.)

- ◆ Wednesday, November 16, @ 7:00 pm, St Catherine Parish Hall, Valley City.
- ◆ Wednesday, November 30, @ 6:30 pm, St James Basilica, Jamestown

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.

## Cursillo Weekend Schedule 2016/2017

*[Click here for application](#)*

Belcourt Men's  
Harvey Men's  
Harvey Women's  
Hankinson Men's  
Hankinson Women's

January 19-22, 2017  
February 9-12, 2017  
February 16-19, 2017  
March 9-12, 2017  
March 23-27, 2017

Vincent McCloud, Rector  
Christopher Brewer, Rector  
Sandi Horsager, Rectora  
Norm Olson, Rector  
Joy Olson, Rectora

## Ultreyas

If you are planning an Ultreya please email the particulars to [cursillond@gmail.com](mailto:cursillond@gmail.com) or post it on our Fargo Cursillo Facebook page.

### 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, January 21, 2017, 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](http://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](mailto: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 & Women'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

### **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

## 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](mailto: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