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Lay Director's Message

Planting Seeds

We have celebrated the birth of Christ, each in our own way with Eucharist, with family and friends, and with noisy exuberance or quietly.

Now we move quickly into the New Year. The first seed catalogue has arrived and each day is full. Each day is also precious, as we are realizing with the prayers and thoughts offered for one of our Cursillistas, Marty Smart, who is seriously ill.

I have spent some time this week looking over my journal for the past year. It was been a busy time, and I know that many of you have equally full days. The future weeks and months are filled with activities in addition to our normal lives. I would encourage you to to come away for some time with God and friends, for quiet, for prayer, and for Eucharist. We will gather at Missionhurst on Friday evening, January 22, through Sunday after lunch. We will come away and rest awhile. I think it is an excellent way to start the year. I hope you will join me. Please see the Cursillo calendar for more information.

We have two teams starting formation this month. Kat Sigler and the ladies started on January 3 in preparation for the Women's Weekend March 18-21; Phil Kiko will lead the team for the Men's Weekend April 15-18. Please check the Website for information on how to send palanca. Please keep the teams in your prayers, and spend some time considering whom you might sponsor for these Weekends, both at Missionhurst.

It is indeed a new year, a new decade, and I would suggest that we take the time each day to ask how God is working in the moments of each day, how we are open to God's amazing friendship for us, and how we share that with the people we touch each day.

Mimi Fitzgerald
Lay Director



January Cursillo Retreat at Missionhurst

"Come Away and Rest Awhile."

We hope you can join our Cursillo Community for a retreat at Missionhurst, January 22-24. What a great way to begin the New Year! Each day will include short meditations or talks by the retreat team, time for silence and personal prayer and reflection, optional sharing, communal prayer and Eucharist on Saturday and Sunday. We will focus on deepening our awareness of God's love and presence in our lives. The added bonus of this retreat is the prayerful support of the community and the opportunity to enjoy being together. We hope that you will decide to join us!

The retreat begins at 7:30p on Friday night and ends at 1:30p on Sunday. More information is available on the website.

Plan Ahead...Cursillo Weekends 2010 and 2011

Women's Cursillo Weekends

March 18-21, 2010
August xx-xx, 2010
March 17-20, 2011
August xx-xx, 2011

Men's Cursillo Weekends

April 15-18, 2010
October 7-10, 2010*
April 14-17, 2011
October 6-9, 2011*

* May be changed to a Friday to Monday weekend vs. Thursday to Sunday because of the holiday.

2010 Arlington Cursillo Calendar

Your best source for an up-to-the-minute calendar is our website: www.ArlingtonCursillo.org.

Friday, January 15, 7:30pm

Parish Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort
8790 Pohick Rd, Springfield, VA 22153
Chuck Tiso 703-866-1081

Saturday, January 16, 6:30pm

Ultrea, St. Charles Borromeo, Benedict Hall,
rm 103, 3304 Washington Blvd., Arlington

Friday, January 22, 7:30pm

Retreat for Cusillistas/Missionhurst
ends at 1:30p on Sunday
Ultrea, St. Anthony of Padua

Sat, February 13, 9:30aa – noon

Cursillo School/School of Leaders
St. John the Beloved, 6420 Linway Terrace,
McLean, Mark Clemente: clem1979@aol.com

Friday, February 19, 7:30pm

Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Jan)

Saturday, February 27, 9am–2pm

Lenten Quiet Day by Phyllis Byrne
Missionhurst, 4651 N 25th Street, Arlington;
Freddie Wall wallflower64@gmail.com

Saturday, March 13, 9:30am-noon

Cursillo School/School of Leaders

Thursday, March 18, 7:00pm

Women's 130th Weekend. Ends Sunday.

Friday, March 19, 7:30pm

Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Jan)

Sunday, March 21, 5p(ish)

Closing, Women's 130th Weekend

Saturday, April 10, 9:30a–noon

Cursillo School/School of Leaders

Thursday, April 15, 7:00p

Men's 120th Weekend. Ends Sunday.

Friday, April 16, 7:30p

Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Feb 19)

Sunday, April 18, 5p(ish)

Closing, Men's 120th Weekend

Saturday, May 8, 9:30a–noon

Cursillo School/School of Leaders

Friday, May 21, 7:30p

Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Jan)

Saturday, June 12, 9:30am–noon

Cursillo School/School of Leaders

Friday, June 18, 7:30p

Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Jan)

Thursday, August 5, 7:00pm

Women's 131st Weekend. Ends Sunday.

Thursday, October 7, 7:00p

Men's 121st Weekend. Ends Sunday.

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