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### Called to Mission

This week due to snow and a long session in the dentist's office, I have managed a bit more reading: *America*, cover to cover, and Marymount's MU Today.

In *America*, a column by Barbara E. Reid on "The Word" offered the thought that all of us, not only those who lived during biblical times, are called to mission. I always think about Peter and John and the others who left everything to follow Jesus. How did they do that? Do we recognize those seemingly unreal moments in our own lives? We all are called to mission and this call is accompanied by God's transforming grace.

"The mission is never dependent upon the worthiness of the minister but upon God's grace," Reid writes. Isn't this exactly what the Grace talk on Friday morning of the Cursillo is all about? It is not only the idea of a new relationship with God, but the power of that relationship that "seizes" us and makes it possible to answer that call. And the message continues as the talks and discussions of the Weekend unfold. We can use our gifts because God is guiding us, perhaps in a new direction, and giving us His power. For some reason, these thoughts took on a new, energy-filled meaning for me as I read the article. It all made sense the way those uneducated fishermen and the rest of the twelve came together initially to follow, and to one day do so much more. It's not us, but God who keeps us going.

Someone who has clearly found her mission is Ann Clark, who earned her M.A. from Marymount's School of Counseling in 2005 and is now working with middle-school boys at Washington Jesuit Academy (WJA). Her article talks of the amazing, difficult, and yet joyful work with students from "homes with the types of dysfunction common to poverty" who have "been academically underserved." She says she works "in a mission-driven school that is making a difference in young lives every day" and further comments that she sees God in all people and that in serving we are Christ to one another.

Is the message familiar? Where did I see Christ today? How can I serve? Am I open to being "seized by grace?"

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*Mimi Fitzgerald*  
Lay Director

### Lay Director's Message

## Plan Ahead...Cursillo Weekends 2010 and 2011

#### Women's Cursillo Weekends

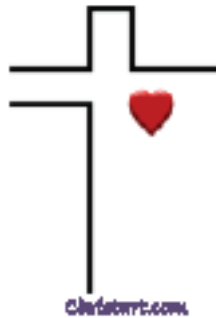
March 18-21, 2010    March 17-20, 2011  
August 5-8, 2010    August 2011 TBD

#### Men's Cursillo Weekends

April 15-18, 2010    April 7-10, 2011 *tentative*  
October 7-10, 2010\*    October 6-9, 2011

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

*The love of God begins and ends with the love of self.  
St. Bernard of Clairvaux*



**Cursillo**

# Lenten Day of Reflection

*Presented by Phyllis Byrne*

**Saturday, February 27, 2010**

Mass at 8:30 am.  
Coffee and Gathering at 9:00 am.  
First Session 9:30 am - 12:00 pm.  
Brownbag lunch at Noon  
Second Session 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm.

Precious Blood Catholic Church  
114 East Edmondson Street  
Culpeper

RSVP to Freddie Weil  
[Waltflower54@gmail.com](mailto:Waltflower54@gmail.com)  
703-356-5706

## February 2010 to July 2010 Arlington Cursillo Calendar

Your best source for an up-to-the-minute calendar is our website: [www.ArlingtonCursillo.org](http://www.ArlingtonCursillo.org).

<p><b>Sat, February 13, 9:30a – noon</b> Cursillo School/School of Leaders at St. John the Beloved; 6420 Linway Terrace, Mclean; Mark Clemente: <a href="mailto:clem1979@aol.com">clem1979@aol.com</a></p>	<p><b>Friday, March 19, 7:30p</b> Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Feb 19)</p> <p><b>Sunday, March 21, 5p(ish)</b> Closing, Women's 130th Weekend</p>	<p><b>Friday, May 21, 7:30p</b> Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Feb 19)</p> <p><b>Saturday, June 12, 9:30a–noon</b> Cursillo School/School of Leaders; Our Lady Queen of Peace, 2700 South 19th St, Arlington; Joan Brown, <a href="mailto:jmbrown2587@msn.com">jmbrown2587@msn.com</a>; Natalie Bronson, <a href="mailto:natbrunson@cox.net">natbrunson@cox.net</a></p>
<p><b>Wednesday, February 17 Ash Wed</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday, March 25 Annunciation</b></p>	
<p><b>Friday, February 19, 7:30p</b> Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort; 8790 Pohick Rd, Springfield, VA 22153; Chuck Tiso, 703-866-1081, <a href="mailto:Siciliansunrise@aol.com">Siciliansunrise@aol.com</a></p>	<p><b>Sunday, March 28 Palm Sunday</b></p> <p><b>Friday, April 2 Good Friday</b></p> <p><b>Sunday, April 4 Easter</b></p>	<p><b>Friday, June 18, 7:30p</b> Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Feb 19)</p> <p><b>Saturday, July 10, 9:30a–noon</b> Cursillo School/School of Leaders; Nativity; 6400 Nativity Ln, Burke; Frank McCleskey, <a href="mailto:fmcleskey@verizon.net">fmcleskey@verizon.net</a></p>
<p><b>Saturday, February 27, 9a–2p</b> Lenten Quiet Day by Phyllis Byrne <b>*** PLEASE NOTE NEW LOCATION</b> Precious Blood Catholic Church; 14 East Edmondson St, Culpepper; Freddie Wall <a href="mailto:wallflower64@gmail.com">wallflower64@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Saturday, April 10, 9:30a–noon</b> Cursillo School/School of Leaders; Our Lady of Good Counsel; 8601 Wolftrap Rd, Vienna; Janet Berney, <a href="mailto:jesberney@verizon.net">jesberney@verizon.net</a></p> <p><b>Thursday, April 15, 7:00p</b> Men's 120th Weekend. Ends Sunday. Missionhurst; 4651 North 25th St, Arlington</p>	<p><b>Friday, July 16, 7:30p</b> Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Feb 19)</p> <p><b>Thursday, August 5, 7:00p</b> Women's 131st Weekend. Ends Sunday.</p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 13, 9:30a–noon</b> Cursillo School/School of Leaders at St. Anthony of Padua; 3304 Glen Carlyn Rd, Falls Church; Lu &amp; Sue Vega <a href="mailto:lsvega25@earthlink.net">lsvega25@earthlink.net</a></p>	<p><b>Friday, April 16, 7:30p</b> Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Feb 19)</p> <p><b>Sunday, April 18, 5p(ish)</b> Closing, Men's 120th Weekend</p> <p><b>Wednesday, May 5 Cinco de Mayo</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday, August 14, 9:30a–noon</b> Cursillo School/School of Leaders</p> <p><b>Sunday, August 15 Assumption Day</b></p>
<p><b>Thursday, March 18, 7:00p</b> Women's 130th Weekend. Ends Sunday; Missionhurst; 4651 North 25th St, Arlington</p>	<p><b>Saturday, May 8, 9:30a–noon</b> Cursillo School/School of Leaders; St Raymond of Peñafort (see Feb 19)</p> <p><b>Thursday, May 18 Ascension</b></p>	<p><b>Friday, August 20, 7:30p</b> Ultreya St Raymond of Peñafort (see Feb 19)</p> <p><b>Thursday, October 7, 7:00p</b> Men's 121st Weekend. Ends Sunday.</p>

### More information about our calendar...

Did you know that the Arlington Cursillo Calendar is a Google calendar that you can access from our homepage? And that you can add an event to your Outlook or iCal calendar with just a click of your mouse? Visit our website at [www.arlingtoncursillo.com](http://www.arlingtoncursillo.com) and check it out.

Here are a few other things that are easy to remember about events occurring in our community.

**Ultreyas:** Ultreyas are held on a regular basis in the following parishes (in no particular order): St Charles Borromeo, St John Newmann, St John the Beloved, St. Luke's, St. Mary of Sorrows, Church of the Nativity, Sacred Heart, St Lawrence, Fredericksburg Area (as a group), St John Bosco, St Raymond of Penafort, and St. Anthony of Padua. Details on the website or contact Freddie Walls, Chair of the Fourth Day Committee (703-356-5706).

**Arlington Cursillo School:** Meets on the second Saturday of every month. For more information contact MaryLou McGonigle (703-825-8357).

Have an event for the calendar? Send it to Henri Johnson ([henri3658@yahoo.com](mailto:henri3658@yahoo.com)). Be sure to include when, where, why and a point of contact for the event (name, email, and phone).



### Arlington Cursillo Needs Your Prayers and Financial Support

Consider making a contribution of:

\$100  \$75  \$50  \$25  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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and God  
Bless You!**

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## See inside for the expanded Arlington Diocese Cursillo Calendar

# New Arlington Cursillo newsletter format...

We are emerging from a period of examination and prayerful consideration of how the communications committee can best meet the needs of our Cursillo community. We listened to what you told us through the survey we administered in August/Oct 2009 and this new format for our community newsletter, *Our Banner*, is one of the ways we are responding. You'll hear from us every month and we will keep our focus on calendars and events and, of course, and thoughtful reflections from our lay director, Mimi Fitzgerald. If you are receiving this print version, we either don't have an email address for you or we believe you prefer to receive a paper copy in the mail. There are many benefits to receiving this newsletter electronically, including faster receipt and access to links with additional information, not to mention the cost savings for our community. If you would like to switch to email delivery, drop us an email at [communications@arlingtoncursillo.org](mailto:communications@arlingtoncursillo.org). Include your name, the email address you would like us to use and a request to start receiving *Our Banner* in email. We'll check back to see how you like the changes in a few months!

**~De Colores! Mel Rigney, Chair, Communications Committee**



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