# The Rooster Crows

The Newsletter for the Men's 258th and Women's 259th Weekends!

### Our Spiritual Director Speaks:



Today we hear the third and last of the covenants from the Hebrew Scriptures. The first Sunday in Lent, we heard of the flood and how God set the bow in the sky to promise that will never happen again. Last week we heard of Abraham being asked to sacrifice his son until God's messenger came to him and stopped him. There was a promise that his descendants would be as numerous as the stars in the sky.

Today we are presented with the third covenant, the Covenant of the Ten Commandments. Now, it is rather natural, certainly human, for us to want to do everything as easily as possible. This includes the very actions we were created for: to know, love and serve the Lord. We tend to cheapen our following of God. We tend to cheapen the foundation law of God's covenant with us, the Ten Commandments. Today I would like to offer a bit deeper look at a few of the commandments.

The first commandment tells us not to practice idolatry. We cheapen the first commandment into avoiding offering incense to a statue in our homes. But the commandment is much more than this. It is a commandment not to put anything before God. The materialist is an idol worshiper. His god is his money, his stuff. A person caught up in promiscuity is an idol worshiper, his god is his body. The selfish narcissistic individual is an idol worshiper, his god is himself. The Jewish Temple priests of today's Gospel were more concerned with the money they were making in the Temple than worshiping God in the Temple. Jesus accused them of making money their god, violating the first commandment. He threw them out of the Temple.

Look at the third commandment. We talk about keeping holy the Sabbath Day and note the obligation we have to celebrate the Lord's Supper on Sundays. But the question comes, would our churches be crowded if we did not have that obligation? I hope that for most of us, the obligation to attend Mass and receive the sacraments is secondary to our deep need to experience the Real Presence of the Lord in His Word, at the Last Supper, on the Cross, and in the Eucharist. Still, I am certain that some people only attend church out of fear of a punishment if they didn't attend.

Consider the sixth commandment, *Thou shalt not commit adultery*. People tend to only consider the sexual dimension of the sixth commandment. It is a lot deeper than that. Adultery is not just about sex. It is about putting others and things before the one we are committed to in life. Essentially it is a violation of a vow made between God and a husband and a wife.

Our humanness leads us to put conditions when obeying these commandments.

The first, Oh God I will love you and honor you if...you cure my ailing spouse, or get me the job I just applied for, or get me through this financial crisis I am in.

What about the third. God I will come to Mass every week...provided the homilies get better or the music improves. Finally the sixth. I can stay married to you...provided you stay nice and thin or I won't divorce you...as long as you can keep me in this life style.

Do you notice the difference? It is a single word only two letters in length. It is the word that takes a covenant and morphs it into a contract. That word is IF.

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# A Message from the Assistant Rector

### Lord, it is good for us to be here!



These words of Saint Peter spoken during the event of the Transfiguration of Jesus will be the theme for the upcoming men's Cursillo weekend encounter.

Similar to the Transfiguration event, it is the hope of the men's Cursillo team that all who attend the weekend will experience a glorious and enlightening encounter with our Savior that will transform their lives.

In Christian teachings, the Transfiguration is a pivotal moment, and the setting on the mountain is presented as the point where human nature

meets God: the meeting place of the temporal and the eternal, with Jesus himself as the connecting point. The location of the Chicago Men's Cursillo #258 weekend is at the beautiful Our Lady of Angels Retreat Center, which sits on top of a hill overlooking the pastoral surrounds of the town of Lemont, and is an ideal setting for our own connection with Jesus.

The spring men's team contains core leaders that are well seasoned with decades of experience, along with several first-time Cursillistas that are eagerly offering to be part of a memorable experience for the candidates and themselves. As part of the 4<sup>th</sup> Day Community, please come over and enjoy the weekend encounter with us. Your support is so very much appreciated, and special accommodations have been made for the 4<sup>th</sup> Day Community this year in the hopes that you too will receive a warm and rewarding gathering experience.

Lastly, there is still time to be a friend, make a friend, and bring that friend to Christ. Call your friend today and bring them to the upcoming Cursillo weekends on April 12 - April 15 (Men) or April 26 - April 29 (Women) for an encounter with Christ they will never forget.

De Colores,

Dan Kane

MEET THE MEN'S CURSILLO 258 TEAM				
Rector	Jerry Rokosz	Total Security	Jerry Rokosz	
Asst Rector	Dan Kane	Service	Roy Postel	
Spiritual Director	Fr. John Clemens	Ideal	Dan Kane	
Spiritual Director	Fr. Maina Waithaka	Laity	John Holmes	
Spiritual Director	Dcn Bill Karstenson	Piety	Marc Collins	
Spiritual Director	Dcn Jim Furey	Study	Roland Catennaci	
Liturgist	Michael LaTona	Action	Frank Dentzer	
Liturgist	Robert Zapata	Leaders	Michael LaTona	
Palanca	Dcn Dismas Fernandez	Environment	Earl Schafnit	
Service Boss	Ron Caronti	CIA	Michael LaTona	
Service	Jeff Olson			

# A Message from the Assistant Rectora

### Come with me into the fields!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The theme of the 259<sup>th</sup> Women's Cursillo is, *Come With Me Into The Fields*, based on John's Scripture passage. As Cursillistas, we have reaped the benefits of all those who prepared for our original weekend. As Cursillistas, we, too are preparing for the women who will be making their weekend. As in nature, one plants and one harvests ... but it is God who nurtures the seeds that produced good fruit.



And so it is with the efforts of all of us who are readying for the Oasis of Cursillo on April 26-29.

We come into the field with gratitude to Eduardo Bonin and "his team" when they laid the groundwork for the Cursillo movement in 1944. We come into the field with thanksgiving for all the thousands of men and women who tiled the soil of faith throughout the decades. We come into the field armed with the tools of Piety, Study and Action. We come into the fields nurtured and sustained by Reunion. We come into the fields relying on the Holy Spirit to produce good fruit.

We invite you, the 4<sup>th</sup> Day Community, to join us on Thursday evening as we welcome the candidates; to pray in the chapel when the speakers give their talks; to help in the kitchen; to join us in prayer at Mass and the Candlelight, and at the Clausura when we bid them journey home ... and in all the "in between" where you are needed. Your prayers, sacrifices and love will water and nurture the ground of our Cursillo weekend ... and beyond.

De Colores

Frieda Bertello

Come and be a Living Witness of Palanca by supporting each Talk with Chapel Palanca. Let us lift them up so they can be face to face with God.

MEET THE WOMEN'S CURSILLO 259 TEAM			
Rector / Total Security	Mary Jo Landuyt	Service	Rita Behrendt
Asst Rector / Ideal	Frieda Bertello	Service	Kathleen Bewley-Thomas
Spiritual Director	Fr. John Clemens	Service	Jeannie Landwehr
Spiritual Director	Fr. George Omwando	4th Day	Ellen Chio
Spiritual Director	Dcn Bob Landuyt	Kitchen	Marie Caronti
Spiritual Director	Dcn Len Marturano	Laity	Patty Jalowiec
Liturgists	Maureen McMahon	Piety	Chris LaTona
	Pam Gniadek	Study	Maureen Keating
Palanca	Kathy Tully	Action	Sigrid Wonsil
	Jennie Steinbeigle	Leaders	Ellen Chio
Service Boss	Teri Ferchau	Environment	Dawn Abernathy
Service	Diane Robinson	CIA	Ruth Mendelson
Service	Barbara Rybinski		

# A Word From the Lay Director:

#### Get off the Bench, it's Time for Spring Training.

The Lenten Season is now under way. Reverend Burke Masters refers to the Lenten Season as "Spiritual Spring Training". A time for Catholics to "get off the bench" and polish their skills in preparation for the upcoming year. A time to revisit skills, concepts and traditions that have been dormant. It is also time for Cursillistas to "get off the bench".

2017 was our year to reorganize and regroup. The Men's and Women's Spring weekends will occur as scheduled. The Men's weekend will take place April 12-15 and the Women's will occur two weeks later, April 26-29. Both 3-day Weekend's will be held at the Our Lady of Angels Mt. Assisi Retreat Center in Lemont, Illinois.

The Lenten Season is also a time of opportunities for change. Each year the Church gives us Six Weeks to take a long, loving look at our lives to see if our values and priorities are in line with God's desires for us. Often, we find that we have wandered from God's path and Lent becomes the opportunity to change, or do-over, our time to start anew. To hone our skills to "return to God with our whole heart."

The Holy Spirit has blessed us with sufficient candidates to hold both a men's and women's weekends in April. This is our "Chance" to revisit the concepts and traditions that make Cursillo great. Our opportunity to reflect on why Cursillo has made such and impact on our personal and spiritual life as a Catholic. This is our chance to rally and refresh our commitment to Christ, to the mission of Cursillo. The mission of Cursillo is not about "putting" on weekends but LIVING the Cursillo METHOD.

Our Spring Training will be heavily dependent on our 4<sup>th</sup> day. The 4<sup>th</sup> day will be responsible for Palanca. All formats of it. Prayers during team formation for team members and for candidates. Prayers in chapel for our Rollistas, and the sacrifice of time and labor to help our kitchen. It is also a sacrifice of our lives to take the time to not only participate in the Candlelight Mass, but to attend and celebrate the Clausura on Sunday. All these acts of Palanca are necessary for our "TEAM" the Cursillo Movement, to play the game.

The candidates need to know the  $4^{th}$  Day is behind the movement in prayer. I am sure that you remember how powerful the Candlelight was on your weekend. This symbolic representation of the presence of God's Grace for us is irreplaceable and is reinforced when the candidates are greeted by a packed house of Cursillistas at the closing. We welcome them to their  $4^{th}$  Day, the Big Leagues.

The movement needs everyone in the 4<sup>th</sup> day to "get off the bench." The success of the weekend requires the contribution of each member of this community. The candidates need to know how powerful and special this movement is to us. The Holy Spirit has granted us this time for our Spring Training, let us not waste our chance to impact the movement.

Remember CHRIST IS COUNTING ON YOU, on me, on all of us to give the best of our selves to Make a friend, Be friend and bring that friend to HIM.

DE COLORES Robert J. Chío





#### **Weekend Schedule**

Men: April 12 - April 15

Women: April 26 - 29



#### Thursday

5:30 - 6:30 PM: Team Arrives

7:00 PM: Candidates Arrive

8:00 PM: Conference Room

8:45 PM: Stations

10:15 PM: Evening Prayers

**Friday** 

7:50 AM: Morning Prayer

8:15 AM: Mass

9:15 AM: Breakfast

10:15 AM: Ideal

11:15 AM: Habitual Grace

Noon: Lunch

1:00 PM: Conference Room

1:30 PM: Group Photo/free time

2:30 PM: Song Practice

3:00 PM: Layperson

4:15 PM: Actual Grace

5:45 PM: Supper

6:45 PM: Piety

7:55 PM: Posters

8:45 PM: Reconciliation

#### Saturday

7:30 AM: Morning Prayer

8:15 AM: Breakfast

9:15 AM: Study

10:30 AM: Sacraments I

11:30 AM: Group Chapel Visit

12:00 PM: Sacraments II

1:15 PM: Lunch

2:30 PM: Action

4:00 PM: Mass

5:00 PM: Obstacles to Grace

6:00 PM: Supper

7:00 PM: Leaders

Community Mass & Service

8:30 PM: Conference Room

10:45 PM: Evening Prayers

#### Sunday

8:00 AM: Morning Prayers

8:30 AM: Breakfast

9:30 AM: Environment

10:10 AM: CIA

11:05 AM: Christian Life

Noon: Lunch

12: 45 PM: Total Security

1:30 PM: Chapel

2:00 PM: Agape Mass

3:30 PM: Snack

4:00 PM: Clausura

**NOTE:** We now use the 4th Day as Kitchen Crew— There is **NO KITCHEN Team**.

The community is needed to Assist in meal preparations!.

### COME ON DOWN

We have put your feed back into consideration and have made changes to the Closing Program. Come join us on Sunday for the Clausura and be a part of welcoming our newest Cursillistas!



# Meet the Candidates!

Men's 258 Candidates			
	Name	Parish	Sponsor
1	Keith Ciezadlo	Resurrection Parish, Woodstock	Denis Ciezadlo
2	Patrick Cusack	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Frank Dentzer
3	Ed Harker	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Mike LaTona
4	Toby Kavukattu	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Mike LaTona
5	Sajan Kuriakose	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Mike LaTona
6	Humberto Mochizuki	Holy Spirit, Menominee, MI Green Bay Diocese	Jose Valdivia
7	Dcn Mike Kerschen	St. John the Evangelist, St. Mary of the Lake Seminary	Sigrid Wonsil
8	Scott McDonald	St Francis Xavier, LaGrange	Jerry Rokosz
9	Bob Viverito	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Mike LaTona
10	Theo McManigal	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview St. Mary of the Lake Seminary	Mike LaTona
11	Ken Alwahab	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Denis Ciezadlo
12	Gary Willman	St. Louise De Marillac, LaGrange Park Dcn Dave Brencic	
13	Dennis Flynn	St. Alphonsus, Prospect Hts James Flynn	
14	Dcn Isaac Coulder	St. Mary of the Lake Seminary, Wichita Kansas Archdiocese	Fr. Jerry Beat

	Women's 259 Candidates			
	Name	Parish	Sponsor	
1	Jackie Baumann	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Mike LaTona	
2	Holly Bressler	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Mike and Chris LaTona	
3	Alina Dellota	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Chris LaTona	
4	Sandra Forrest	St. Damian, Oak Forest	Mike Minnis	
5	Silvia Foti	Our Lady of the Snows, Chicago	Dcn Franco Foti	
6	Jeni Gawla	St. Damian , Oak Forest	Frieda Bertello	
7	Celia Harker	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Mike LaTona	
8	Laurie Hoffman	St. Stephen, Tinley Park	Frieda Bertello	
9	Linda Schubert	St. Damian , Oak Forest	Frieda Bertello	
10	Alice Rose Stiegler	St. Damian, Oak Forest	Frieda Bertello	
11	Lori Ward	St. Damian, Oak Forest	Mary Jo Landuyt	
12	Eileen Virginia Wright	Our Lady of Hope, Rosemont	Terri Kaisling	
13	Amy Cobo	St. Catherine Laboure, Glenview	Mike LaTona	
14	Margaret (Meg) Hullts	St. Damian, Oak Forest	MaryJo Landuyt	
15	Christina (Tina) O'Shea	Queen of Martyrs, Chicago	Dcn Bob Landuyt	
16	Madeline Collins	St. Catherine LaBoure, Glenview Marc Collins		
17	Margaret Denton	St. Catherine LaBoure, Glenview Marc Collins		
18	Michelle Morgan	St. Gertrude's, Franklin Park	Michael Paul	

# Chicagoland Ultreyas 2018

Parish	Day	Time	Dates	Ultreya Coordinators
St. Catherine Laboure 3425 Thornwood Ave. Glenview, IL 60026	Fridays	7:00pm	April 13	Mike and Chris Latona 847-446-1580 M.J. Murphy 847-729-1051
St. Thomas of Villanova 1201E. Anderson Drive Palatine, IL 60074	Friday	7:30pm	March 16 April 20 May 18 September 21 October 19 November 16	Earl & Carol Schaffnit † 847-287-4196
St. Gertrude 9613 Schiller Blvd. Franklin Park, IL 60131	Monday	7:00pm	March 18 May 21 September 17 November 19	Gus and Joan Campeotto 847-671-0672
St. Damian 5300 W. 155th Street Oak Forest, IL 60452	Sunday	6:00pm	June 24	Frieda Bertello







Remember you are
Welcome to attend
any Ultreya.
Also consider bringing a potential candidate to an Ultreya
—
it is open to all peo-

it is open to all people not just Cursillistas.









# Fourth Day Weekend Information

**MEN** 

Thursday, April 12

• Sponsor Liturgy open to all 4th day to attend

WOMEN
Thursday, April 26

Saturday, April 14

 4th day Mass (7PM) and Candlelight to follow. Saturday, April 28

Sunday, April 15

Clausura (Closing)
 4th day should arrive at 3PM

Sunday, April 29

The Kitchen is needed all days. Consider meal preparation or serving our team and candidates as your palanca.

Chapel Palanca is needed throughout the weekend.

# Events - Save the Date

Date	Event	Location
March 25	Movie: Paul- Apostle of Christ	AMC Theater 9701 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue
TBD	Cubs Game	Wrigley Field
TBD	Trivia Night - Part II	South Side?
Sept. 15 - 16	Renewal Weekend	TBD
Oct. 18 - 21	Women's Fall Weekend	Our Lady of Angels Retreat Center
Dec. 2	Advent Service	TBD
TBD	Men's Weekend	TBD

Our Spiritual Director Speaks: (continued from page 1)

For more details times and location addresses—please visit our website at chicagocursillo.org

If you do this, I will do that. I bet if we look at ourselves honestly, we can see how we abuse this little word. The difference is in the readings this past 3 weeks, God does not use an "if" with Noah, Abraham or all of us.

These commandments are only stating the obvious when it comes to being Catholic. So if that is the case, why do we use that word with God? Why can't we just love God just because He gave us life? We are told in the IDEAL rollo, we should take time and look at what drives us, what motivates us, what we make more important than God.

Take away the condition. God I will love you unconditionally every day of my life. God I will come to Mass every week without fail because I know that you are giving me a gift that cannot be found anywhere else. You give me yourself in the Eucharist. A married couple's primary job is to get your spouse to heaven. This can only be done by living a life in grace a life that has God at the center so you can purposefully give Gods love to your spouse.

As we continue this lent, let us take a look at our relationships and make promises not contracts. Let's take the "if's" out of our relationships.

#### PALANCA IS...

- the evidence of the Cursillo Movement's reliance on the guidance and strength of the Holy Spirit. God's Grace is essential to the success of the weekend and the 4th Day (Cursillistas who are not on team);
- •witness to the fact that the Spirit (<u>Actual Grace</u>) is present and active in the community of believers:
- •a Spanish word meaning, lever.

#### PALANCA IS NOT...

•the gifts, flowers, t-shirts or the little extras we create for the weekend.

#### PALANCA DOES NOT...

•promote anyone's personal or any groups cause. contain offcolor jokes or foul language.

#### PALANCA IS ...

prayer and sacrifice offered for the candidates of this Cursillo
 Weekend.

#### **FORMS OF PALANCA**

- Individual prayers
- Sacrifices such as fasting, of abstaining from foods or meat
- Attending masses, praying the rosary, helping others, sacrifices.

#### **TYPES OF PALANCA**

- •GENERAL: letters written to the candidates generally (not individually) informing them of the prayers and sacrifices offered for their experience and growth over the Three Day Weekend.
- •PERSONAL: letters written to an individual candidate which expresses the prayers and sacrifices offered for his/her experience and growth over the Three Day weekend.
- •SERVICE: all the labor done by team and the 4<sup>th</sup> Day community over the weekend behind the scenes.

### THE ROLE OF THE 4TH DAY COMMUNITY & PALANCA FOR A CURSILLO WEEKEND

- •Their role is Palanca.
- •The talk on Faith cannot be presented as intended unless GEN-ERAL PALANCA letters written for the candidates are available to the spiritual director.
- Although personal Palanca is fitting for a candidate to receive later in the weekend, WRITTEN GENERAL PALANCA that specifies exactly what the giver is offering for the candidates is critical for the Faith talk.

**OTHER FORMS** of Palanca such as chapel visits, helping in kitchen, serving meals are also welcome and a <u>necessary</u> role of the 4th Day during the weekend.

Performing Palanca at the place of the weekend is appropriate and needed, so long as it does not interrupt or distract the candidates or team members from centering on the content and message of the weekend. Various team members have the assignment to see that distractions are kept to a minimum.

### THE ROLE OF THE 4TH DAY COMMUNITY AND PALANCA IN THE 4TH DAY

- •Prayer and sacrifices allow us to accomplish more than we would be capable otherwise.
- •The Cursillo movement was founded upon Palanca. Actual Grace is the most powerful aspect of the Cursillo Weekend.
- Palanca is not just for the weekend it is essential to the Cursillo movement.
- •The second Friday of every month has been set aside as Palanca day for the Chicago Cursillo. All Cursillistas are encouraged to pray for the guidance of the spirit within the movement.

How to Write a PERSONAL PALANCA Letter: This is palanca performed on behalf of individual candidates and team members. It is most frequently demonstrated in personal notes that are not meant for anyone but the recipient.

A Personal Palanca Letter MUST inform the candidate what FORMS OF PALANCA have been done for him/her. It should be things that are actually DONE not a wish list. It is important to have personal palanca available for Friday and Saturday.

#### It may also contain the following:

Include an encouraging scripture (reminding of God's promises, etc).

#### AVOID including the following in a personal palanca letter:

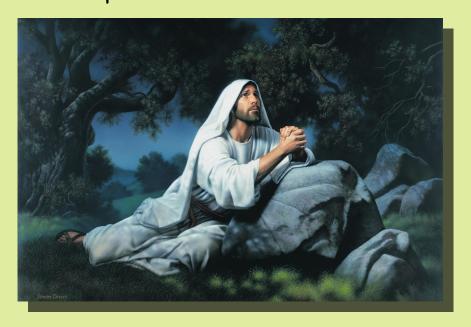
- •Do not refer to any special events that happen over the weekend. Your palanca may not be delivered when you expect it to be, so you wouldn't want to spoil the surprise.
- •Do not refer to home or family. It's important to maintain the focus and sequestered nature of the weekend.
- •Do not talk about how you felt on your weekend. The candidate may be having a very different experience. We want them to be present where the Holy Spirit has brought them at this time.
- •AVOID giving gifts—Palanca communicates our Actions

#### How to Write a GENERAL PALANCA Letter:

General Palanca follows the same rules as a personal letter however it is one letter that addressed to all Candidates.

# Christ is Counting on You

# Who will spend one Hour with him?



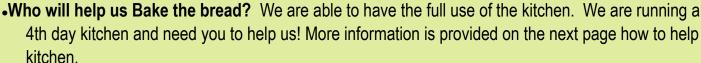
#### All 4th Day is needed to perform several acts of Palanca to "lift" our candidates.

- Who will help us pray? All Rollos need people in chapel praying for the candidates to Hear the Good News as well as the Speaker to Deliver that News.
  - •All Candidates need **Palanca Letters**—Visit the Palanca page in this newsletter to refresh your-self on Palanca. Letters are needed to express to the candidates what prayers and sacrifices you have done for them—for this weekend experience. Both personal and general palanca letters are needed.
  - •How to send your Palanca
    - •Bring it: to the Center and then spend some time in chapel and the kitchen.
    - •Email it: to palanca@chicagocursillo.org
    - •Fax it to: (866) 233-9655 (accepts color faxes)
    - •US Mail: Chicago Cursillo

c/o Bob Chio

642 Executive Drive

Willowbrook, IL 60527



•Rooster Routers: We need 4th day members to volunteer to help sponsors navigate the property on Thursday. Call Bob at (630) 325-3711 for more details.



## Calling all Roosters and Chicks

# Who will help us bake our bread?



## Help Wanted

We know Cursillistas are not like the characters in the Little Red Hen. No one came to help the hen until all the work was done.

Help us where we need help. Please assist with Chapel Palanca, Palanca Letters, and then stop by kitchen and lend a hand.

Come to Celebrate and Welcome our Newest Cursillistas on Sunday at each closing. Let's Pack the House.

We are committed to having the 4th Day impact our weekend with Palanca Support. We have the commitment of the Cursillo method in our hearts. Most of us Love to work the weekend, but it does not always work out with our lives or schedules. This is where you can contribute by filling our Chapel with prayers for Candidates and Speakers. We could use help in Writing Palanca Letters, and then stop by the kitchen to help set up the dining room, prepare food, or serve meals.

Please look at the schedule included in this newsletter and let us know what time you, or your reunion group, would like to help out on the weekend. We need help for both the Men's and Women's weekends.

Please let us know when you plan on stopping by or if you are open to coming at a time and day you are needed most.

Call Ellen at (872) 588-5636 or send an email to **communications@chicagocursillo.org** to let her know when you plan on coming. You do not have to call or email in order to help; however it will help us plan the menu.

Please come with an open and cooperating heart to help where you are needed and how you needed. We thank you for your time, sacrifice and commitment.

Please report to Kitchen upon Arriving.

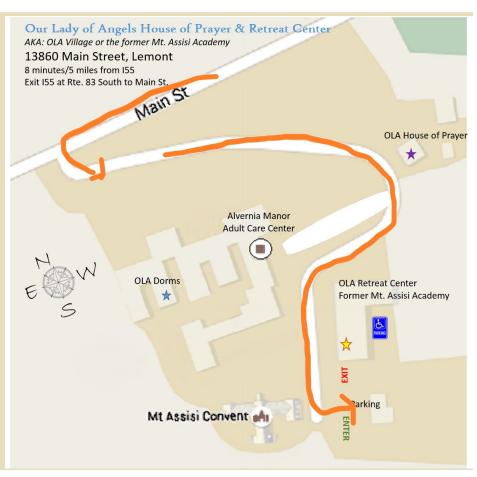
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Ellen Chio and Marie Caronti 4th Day Kitchen Coordinators



### Our Lady of Angels Retreat Center





# Basic Directions to Our Lady of Hope Retreat Ministries aka Mt. Assisi Retreat Center When coming from the North, I-55 Exit – Route 83 South (also known as Kingery Hwy)

Take Route 83 South (you will pass over 2 bridges) - after the second bridge remain in the right-hand lane. The first light will be Main Street – turn right at the light.

(Do not follow signs to turn left at the light to continue on Route 83 South)

Look for the Cursillo Sign – the property will be on the left-hand side after the Cog Hill Golf Course. GO TO THE TOP OF THE HILL – park in the South Parking lot of the Retreat Center.

# Coming from the South, Route 83 North – Harlem Ave connects with Route 83 at Cal Sag Road. Take Route 83 North, Which is Left at Harlem and 83.

After you pass through the forest preserves – Route 83 turns into main street at the first light after the forest preserves. Continue Straight at light.

(Do not follow the signs to continue right onto Route 83 North. Continue Straight which will now be Main street).

Look for the Cursillo Sign – the property will be on the left-hand side after the Cog Hill Golf Course.

GO TO THE TOP OF THE HILL - park in the South Parking lot of the Retreat Center.

There are many buildings on the property; we shall meet at the Mt. Assisi Retreat Center which is the former High School.

Park in Parking lot South of the Mt. Assisi Building. Call (872) 588-5636 if you are lost or need of directions.

Visit our website to get detail directions under the 4th day page.