

Chicago Catholic Cursillo

Spring Weekend Move to Lemont

The Secretariat

The preparations for this Spring's Weekends are under way. Both the men and women have formed teams and have begun their team formation. As we informed you on February 25, 2016, St. Hedwig's began to make some needed repairs to the plumbing and water damaged walls. For those in construction or for anyone who has remodeled knows, once you open the walls to a building that is over a century old, there are many hidden issues. St. Hedwig's was hopeful they were going to be finished with the work by our weekends, however the work is a much larger project than expected. This made it necessary to find an alternate location. For those of you who have experienced a move in the past you know that there are many issues that need to be evaluated to secure a site for our weekends.

In this case the number one goal was to keep the dates of both men's and women's weekends. Then we had to consider if the facility would maintain our weekend's essence. Each Cursillo has its own unique flair. Lastly, we needed to consider the cost. Many centers were in the range of \$240 and up per person. We were trying to keep the cost as low as possible.

We finally were able to find a center that met the criteria. Unfortunately we were unable to keep the date of the men's weekend; however

we were able to keep the Women's date. We are grateful to the School Sisters of St. Francis of Christ the King for allowing us to come and have our weekend at their center; Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer and Retreat Center. **Enjoy this issue of the newsletter as it reveals more details about the Spring Weekends Locations.**



**WOMEN'S WEEKEND #257:
APRIL 21 –24, 2016**

**MEN'S WEEKEND #258:
MAY 19—22, 2016**

**Our Lady of the Angels'
House of Prayer**

13860 Main Street, Lemont

Our Lady of the Angels' Retreat House and Center



“Where ever you go, I shall go ... ” Ruth 1:16



★ **The Community Mass, Candlelight Service and Clausura** will be held in the Retreat Center. We will have “Rooster Routers” (*thanks Fr. Micholini for the clever name*) who will be 4th day volunteers on site to help you find your way to each of these 4th day events. The Rooster Routers will also be on site for Thursday Candidate arrival. **If you get lost or need directions — Call Bob Chio at (708) 612-0946.**

Come Join Us for both Spring Weekends

This Spring we look forward to seeing as many Cursillistas as possible. The facility we will be at for both the men's and women's weekend is handicap accessible. The building has a back entrance located by the handicap entrance and is a larger facility than St. Hedwig's Convent. This means we will be able to host more of our community members for the Community Mass and Candlelight Service on Saturday and for our Clausura on Sunday. The Community Mass, the Candlelight Service and the Clausura will be on the first floor.

The center will be providing our meals (all home cooked by the sisters and their associates); which means we will not have a Kitchen team, but please do not let this prevent you from joining us. **We still need that living presence of Palanca in action. Take the time to join us and pray in our Palanca (4th day) Chapel.**

This Palanca Chapel will be located on the third floor. It will be open as follows: Thursday 8 pm for the Community/Sponsor Liturgy; Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 7 pm; Sunday 10 am till 2 pm. There is an elevator that will take you to the third floor.

Come and Pray for our candidates while they are listening to talks, discussing topics. There will also be a 4th day lounge for you to take a break.

WANTED ... ROOSTER ROUTERS

We are looking for volunteers to help with the navigation of the property. The property is rather large with many buildings and a lot of parking is available. We need volunteers for the Women's Weekend and The Men's Weekend.



ROOSTER ROUTERS

Thurs: Candidate Arrival - 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

April 21 (Women) or May 19 (Men)

Sat: Fiesta Set-Up to Candlelight - 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM

April 23 (Women) or May 21 (Men)

Sun: Closing - 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Call Ellen Chio to Volunteer at (708) 846-5071



PALANCA CHAPEL

Thurs. 8 pm Sponsor Liturgy

Fri. & Sat. 10 am-7 pm

Sun. 10 am to 2 pm

We are planning a time for a rosary and other formal prayer services you may attend throughout the weekend.



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CURSILLO—RESPONDING TO THE CALL



Recently, Archbishop Cupich penned an open letter entitled: ‘Renew My Church’ *Dreaming Big about the Archdiocese of Chicago*. The letter beautifully describes how Chicago Catholics have always been big dreamers. In response to a deep sense of faith, Chicago Catholics has built marvelous institutions. Our churches, schools, and hospitals “*have formed and sustained vibrant communities*”. Even during difficult times such as the Great Chicago Fire, Archbishop Cupich reminds us that Chicago Catholics have always been resilient rebuilders, which has resulted in the Church becoming even more vibrant and alive.

The letter goes on to admit that while “*the fulfillment of this dream is a patchwork of success and failure*”, the mission of Christ requires us to be resilient. Archbishop Cupich invites every Chicago Catholic to join him in the process of dreaming big and making it into a reality. Cupich goes on to write: “*It will take a steady faith – a faith that is imaginative, that strengthens us in the knowledge that Christ is leading us. This faith will keep us together. It will steel us to make bold decisions that will shape the Church for generations to come*”.

While the letter by Archbishop Cupich is in reference to his dreams of parish ministry, we can take his inspiring message to heart in regards to the Chicago Catholic Movement. The charism of the Cursillo is one of service, which includes the

same pursuits outlined within the seven priorities stated within the Archbishop’s letter:

We bring people to Christ.
We support each other in knowing Christ more deeply.
We encounter Christ and receive nourishment through prayer.
We build bonds among each other to sustain our life in Christ.
We transform the lives of others through service as Christ’s missionary disciples.
We respond to the call to holiness by journeying together with Christ.
We take responsibility for administration and leadership of the parish as good stewards of the gifts Christ has entrusted in us.

The calling of the Cursillo Movement is to build up the Church. We do this through your individual leadership. Let us challenge ourselves during 2016 to take up one or more of the seven priorities so that the dream envisioned by our Archbishop of a stronger future will become a reality within our Church. Let us respond to the call.

Lastly, we in the Chicago Cursillo Movement also dare to dream big; however, change is constantly requiring us to adapt. United in faith we can make a difference. Please consider working with us in making this coming year exceptional by attending a local Ultreya event, join a planning committee, and of course sponsor a friend for an upcoming weekend. Most importantly, pray with us for the continued growth of the Chicago Archdiocese and the Chicago Cursillo Movement.

De Colores,
Dan & Cindy Kane

“Let us not waste this season of Lent; so favorable a time for conversion. Pope Francis

Rooster Roll

Happy New Year!

Taking Part in the Rooster Roll was a great way to start off the New Year.



A good time was had by all. Congrats to Frank Dentzer having the Highest Game. A special thanks to Fr. Michelini who came out to show support.



Ultreya

Coming Soon Near you

As its' name implies, the Ultreya, is a call to move forward and to keep the flame of Cursillo burning brightly. Please join us at an upcoming Ultreya. Remember All Friends and Family are Welcome.

March 04 - Queen of All Saints , Chicago

March 11 - St. Gilbert, Grayslake

March 18 - St. Thomas of Villanova, Palatine

March 20 - Our Lady of the Ridge, Chicago Ridge

March 21 - St. Gertrude, Franklin Park

New April 17 - St. Damian, Oak Forest

BE A FRIEND AND BRING A FRIEND WITH YOU :)



JOIN US FOR A DAY AT THE MOVIES!!

Chicago Catholic Cursillo is excited to present a private viewing of *Miracles from Heaven*. *Tickets are Limited! Call today to reserve.*



Sunday, April 3rd

Showtime – 10:30 am

HOLLYWOOD BLVD
A CINEMA, BAR & EATERY

1001 W 75th St. in Woodridge
Reserve your spot TODAY!

Call Rosa at (708) 602-7318 or via email
at postcursillo@chicagocursillo.org

Cost \$20—includes ticket, soft drink, popcorn and pizza. Arrive between 9 am—10 am for coffee and donuts .

Please cutout the card below. Invite a Friend to experience the Spring Cursillo Weekends.





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**YOU'RE
INVITED**

**COME ENJOY A FAITH-FILLED WEEKEND
DESIGNED TO ENRICH YOUR SPIRIT!**

MEN'S WEEKENDS: MAY 19 –22 & OCTOBER 20-23
WOMEN'S WEEKENDS: APRIL 21-24 & NOVEMBER 10-13

More info available at: chicagocursillo.info
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