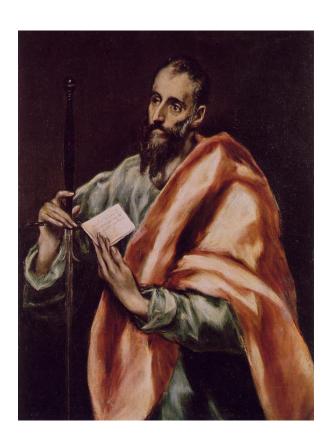




**Archdiocese of Mobile** 

# Make a Friend, Be a Friend, Bring a Friend to Christ Spring Newsletter

## **Patron Saint of Cursillo**

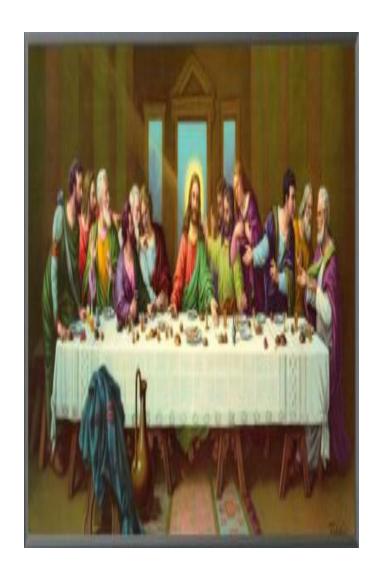


## Gospel: Luke 15:1-3;11-32

Tax collectors and sinners were all crowding around to listen to Jesus. So the Pharisees and the teachers of the Law of Moses started grumbling. "This man is friendly with sinners. He eats with them. Then Jesus told them this story.

Jesus also told them another story: Once a man had two sons. The younger son said to his father, "Give me my share of the property." So the father divided his property between his two sons. Not long after that, the younger son packed up everything he owned and left for a foreign country, where he wasted all his money in wild living. He had spent everything, when a bad famine spread through that whole land. Soon he had nothing to eat. He went to work for a man in that country, and the man sent him out to take care of his pigs. "He would have been glad to eat what the pigs were eating." But no one gave him a thing. Finally, he came to his senses and said, My father's workers have plenty to eat, and here I am, starving to death! I will leave and go to my father and say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against God in heaven and against you. I am no longer good enough to be called your son. Treat me like one of your workers." The younger son got up and started back to his father. But when he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt sorry for him. He ran to his son and hugged and kissed him. The son said, "Father, I have sinned against God in heaven and against you. I am no longer good enough to be called your son." But his father said to the servants, "Hurry and bring the best clothes and put them on him. Give him a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet. Get the best calf

and prepare it, so we can eat and celebrate. This son of mine was dead, but has now come back to life. He was lost and has now been found." And they began to celebrate. The older son had been out in the field. But when he came near the house, he heard the music and dancing. So he called one of the servants over and asked, "What's going on here? The servant answered, Your brother has come home safe and sound, and your father ordered us to kill the best calf" The older brother got so mad that he would not even go into the house. His father came out and begged him to go in. But he said to his father, "For years I have worked for you like a slave and have always obeyed you. But you have never even given me a little goat, so that I could give dinner for my friends. This other son of yours wasted your money on bad women. And now that he has come home, you ordered the best calf to be killed for a feast." His father replied, "My son, you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we should be glad and celebrate! Your brother was dead, but he is now alive. He was lost and has now been found.



## Spiritual Advisors Corner:

#### WEEKENDS:♦MORE THAN ♦DE COLORES♦

When we make (or work on) a Cursillo weekend, what are we really about?

No, I don t mean preparations for a Fourth Day, though that so obviously critical and central. But on the weekend itself, what are we about? We means team as well a candidates.

How do we enter into the spirituality of the overnight

How do we enter into the meditations of Thursday evening and Friday morning?

Do we participate in the Friday Eucharist with greater fervor and focus?

Where in our lives do the *rollos* touch us (including those of us who have worked on several weekends)? What is the quality of the personal witness, and does it overwhelm the content, either by its length or its emotional pull?

What really goes on during our table discussions? How many different folks do we engage during meals?

Do we utilize the Sacrament of Reconciliation and make it truly lead us inward?

How do the evening devotions (Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Eucharist Procession/Healing (\*) confront us and challenge us and lead us to deeper prayer? Is the Closing just (\*) the last detail (\*)?

Do we believe that **Christ** is counting on you **and** do we truly agree that **M** am counting on Him **A** 

Yes, we are cheerful and eat well. We pray often and celebrate joyfully. We share, we laugh and joke, we cry. We listen and speak. Where does it take us? Are we open to this pilgrimage? How are we equipping ourselves for this journey? Who will be our traveling companions? What, really, is our goal?

Yes De Colores! Yes Ultreya! Yes Group Reunion for our Fourth Day. And YES: to paraphrase St Irenaeus The glory of God is a weekend fully alive, and fully entered into.

-Fr David

# All Ultreya's Prayer Request:

Please pray for the baby chicks and our fall candidates of 2013.

Palanca Drop Off Spots and Times:

Can be used during the times of January and July. This is to give times so all know when to have everything completed.

**Rectors Corner:** 

Men's:

Womnens:



# Quarterly Prayer:

#### PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT:

Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Your love.

Come, Holy Spirit! Give us new hearts: warm what is cold, soften what is hard, open what is closed, enliven what is dead.

Come, Holy Spirit and renew the of the earth!
Come, Holy Fire, and burn within us,
Come Holy Wind, and cleanse us,
Come, Holy Light, and lead us,
Come Holy Truth, and teach us,
Come Holy Power, and strengthen us,

Come, abundant life and fill us! Fill us, covert us, consecrate us till we are entirely yours.

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. You, O Lord, will open my lips. And my tongue shall announce Your praise. Incline unto my aid, O God.

O, Lord make haste to help me. Amen

### Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of Christ wash me.
Passion of Chirst, strenghten me;
O, Loving Jesus, hear me;
Within Thy Wounds hide me;
Suffer me not to be separated from Thee;
From the malignant enemy defend me;
In the hur of my death, call me,
And bd me come to Thee,
That, with Thy saints, I may praise Thee.
Forever and ever Amen.

## Prayer for Christian Unity

Eternal Father, we praise you for sending your Son to be one of us and to save us. Look upon your people with mercy, for we are divided in so many ways, and give us the Spirit of Jesus to make us one in love.

We ask this gift, loving Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## Meditation for the Quarter

## Never Give up

"Ask, and it shall be given you: seek, and you shall find: knock, and it shall be opened to you. For every one that asketh, receiveth: and he that seeketh, findeth: and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened." Mat 7.7-8

## Devotation for the Month



Announcements

MONTHLY ULTREYA LOCATIONS

### Auburn/Opelika

• Meets: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 PM

• Where: St. Michael's, Auburn

### Autauga/Elmore

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 7:30 PM

• Where: St Joseph, Prattville

#### **Baldwin**

• Meets: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month @ 7:00 PM

• Where: Christ the King, Assumption Hall

#### **Central Baldwin**

• Meets: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 6:30 PM

• Where: St. Lawrence, St Lawrence Room

#### Dothan

PM

Meets: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month @ 7:00

• Where: St. Columba, O'Hara Hall

#### **Mobile**

• Meets: 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month

• Where: Call for time & place

#### **Montgomery**

• Meets:1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month @ 6:00 PM

• Where: St. Bede (Odd numbered months)
Holy Spirit (Even numbered months)

### **Phoenix City/Columbus**

• Meets: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month @ 1:30 PM

 Where: St. Patrick (Phoenix City) Social Hall

#### **South Baldwin**

 Meets: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month after 5:00 PM Mass

• Where: St. Margaret of Scotland



Today's Readings and Saint of the Day here on Mobile Cursillo.

## **Email Updates**

