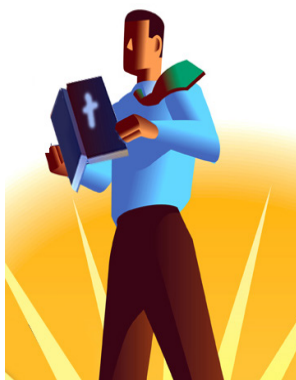


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De Colores, Brothers and Sisters!

I look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming clausura for the Men's and Women's weekends. Those working the team and attending clausura will begin to see pieces of the Step-By-Step guide being implemented.

One of the areas we will begin with is the transportation of the new Cursillistas. When possible, Candidates will ride to the Retreat Center with a team member (preferably one they do not know) from their area. This will allow the team member(s) and Candidates to get to know each other along the way and hopefully arrive together. If there are too many new Cursillistas from one area for a vehicle or if there are no team members from an area, the sponsor will be responsible for ensuring the new Cursillista have transportation to and from the sites. The Rector(a) and Service Team Boss will help with the transportation arrangements of the new Cursillistas if the sponsor and team members need assistance.

Spring and future weekends will be conducted as outlined in the Cursillo Manual (2007, third edition). Following the Manual's outline will bring us closer to the implementation of the Step-by-Step guide once it is published

Per the Manual, Mass will be at 11:00 am (not at the end of the day and will be open to the community. At the end of the day, you (the Fourth Day Community) will be invited into the chapel and the Clausura will begin.

The format from previous Clausura will be followed with a few adjustments. A Decuria (table family) representative will present an overview of the weekend for their table family. If their table family wishes to share, they will be able to. Next, a guest speaker gives a witness about living the 4th Day. At the conclusion of the witness, team members can share their thoughts if they wish.

Upon the completion of sharing, the Apostolic Commitment Service sheets will be returned. The new Cursillistas will then be presented their crucifixes. The Spiritual Director will close with a prayer and the community will join together singing De Colores as we joyfully exit the chapel.

God Bless,

Rob Wilburn
Lay Director



A Word From

Deacon Joe Mueller

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

There's always something to complain about. Some call it just venting! However, in our world today, how can we not get frustrated with the constant bombardment of problems affecting almost all aspects of our society. There's the partisan politics of Washington. An endless crisis of homelessness. An endless crisis at the borders. Then you have the threat of war that always seems to be imminent. Even the Church is under attack and in crisis mode.

Here's a reflection to think on

A university student who was having a hard time getting his act together decide to take his frustrations out on God. He went into the university chapel, sat in a pew, looked heavenward and said, "all we have on this earth are problems and a bunch of dummies who will never figure out how to solve them. Even I could make a better world than this one." And somewhere deep inside him the student heard God's answer: "That's what you're supposed to do." (Stories for All Seasons)



Scheduled Cursillo Weekends

Cursillos are generally scheduled for a Men's Weekend and a Women's Weekend each fall at the Visitation Monastery in Mobile, and a Men's Weekend and Women's Weekend each spring at the Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat in Holy Trinity (Fort Mitchell). We currently have the following weekends scheduled:

Spring Weekends 2020

Men's Weekend #144: Feb 27 – Mar 1,
Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat, Holy Trinity
Rector: Rob Wilburn

Women's Weekend #145: Mar 5 – 8,
Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat, Holy Trinity
Rectora: Peg Gawne-Mark

March 1 and March 8 Clausura schedule reminder:

- 1. Holy Spirit Prayer*
- 2. Brief Introduction by Rectora*
- 3. Decuria Representative (overall impression)*
- 4. New Cursillistas share experiences (voluntary)*
- 5. Witness Speaker (max ten minutes)*
- 6. Team may share at this time*
- 7. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and
Apostolic Commitment Service
(pg.75 of Pilgrims Guide)*
- 8. Presentation of crucifixes and service sheets*
- 9. Closing Prayer*
- 10. Sing DE COLORES*
We hope to see you there!

Women's team formation

Met at St. Columba in Dothan

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Women's #145 Cursillo team had an amazing two days of community building and rollo reviews. Thank you for your generous donations of food, time, talent and palanca. We sang and ate well. Bernardo and Cindy DeFaria and Don and Vicki Gardino supervised the food preparation for lunch and dinner Saturday. Ultreya members Carolyn Barlow, Kathy Bass, Bobbie Genovese, Melissa Kennemar and Terri Turner contributed food, helped serve dinner and hosted team members overnight. Fathers Gallagher, Smiley and Paillachio provided the Sacrament of Reconciliation for team members. The team corporately attended the 5:30 celebration of Eucharist.

The Women's team will meet at St. Elizabeth's in Greenville February 22 at 9 a.m. for the Team Retreat. The Men's Team will have their formation retreat day there on Feb 15. Please continue to keep us in prayer.

We need general palanca and snacks for the weekend and closing for Men's #144 Cursillo to be held Feb. 27-March. Donations of snacks or cash and palanca notes can be brought to your Ultreya.

Donations are also needed for Womens' #145 Cursillo on March 5 - 8. We need general palanca and snacks for the weekend and closing. Bring snacks or cash and palanca notes to Ultreya meeting.

The closing is an important time for us to witness to the new Cursillistas that they can have the "Total Security" the rector has just told them about. Please attend the closings March 1 and March 8 at Blessed Trinity. They will be held in the chapel this year. Please arrive for the 3:45 pm Central Time / 4:45 pm Eastern time ceremony.

Rectora Peg Gawne-Mark



What is palanca?

What is a palanca letter? A palanca letter is one that is sent to the candidates and team, informing them of the prayers and sacrifices that you are offering to God on their behalf. A letter may be sent explaining what type of palanca is being offered, but the letter is NOT the palanca. The actual palanca is the action --intercessory prayer, sacrifice, or works of mercy-- and it can be done without writing a letter.

Men's team formation

Held at St Patricks' in Phenix City.

The team gathered in the church hall for a light supper and socialization prior to beginning our weekend of team building. The evening opened with prayer and a review of the team roster along with an introduction of all team members and the various jobs they will do. The evening was closed out with a visit to the chapel and night prayers.

Saturday opened with a breakfast provided by the Phenix City Ultreya. Deacon Sykes began the morning with prayer and reflection. The Rector presented an article reflecting the goal of all Cursillos, "Living the Method". This was followed with in depth review of the Detailed Schedule. The Rector went through explaining the various phases of the Step By Step Guide that will be implemented on the weekend.

A variety of questions were presented to the team prior to the Formation. Team members were to choose a question that they would share the answer with their prayer partner and then share with the overall team. Some of the answers were humorous while other answers were revealing, yet well thought out. A brief discussion followed about Group Reunion. Reconciliation was then available and a rosary was said. Lunch was then provided by the Ultreya.

The afternoon was devoted to the presentation of the rollos and critiques of each talk with positive feedback from the team members. Conference Room, Spiritual Team and the Support Team met with team members and discussed various functions to be fulfilled on the weekend. Team then attended the vigil mass, followed by supper and a witness talk given by Bob Spano. A closing prayer was said at the end of the meal and our team members returned home. The Holy Spirit was working throughout the weekend.

Rector Rob Wilburn



Teams & Candidates

Men's Team 144

Fr. Manny Vasconcelos
Deacon Steve Sykes
Br Senan Gallagher, S.T.
Robert Wilburn
Jean-Paul Nicol
Bob Wheat
Don Gardino
Cliff Gawne-Mark
Barry Dean
Sam Hoover
Jerry Allain
David Barranco
Greg Kochak Elwood
Madedo Bill Cytrynak
AJ Apiag, Jr
Alan Ruegamer

Candidates

Jan Darby - St. Bede
Mary Florian - St. Bede
Martha James - Blessed Francis Xavier
Masha Kloberg - St. Michael
Ann Medlock - Sacred Heart
Beth Pierce - St. Ignatus
Bobboe Profozich - St. Michael
Meredith Purser - Bl Francis Xavier Seelos
Josie Ruegamer - St. Patrick, PC
Melinda Seiter - St. Ignatius
Virginia Koch - St. Michael
Matthew Balsley - St. Patrick, PC
Dave Berault - St. Dominic
Kevin Blackburn - Holy Spirit
Scott Godwin - St. Bede
Jim Hartigan - Christ the King
William Harvard - St. Patrick, PC
Richard Koerner - St. Peter
Michael Purser - Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos
Deacon John Quillen - St. Anne, Columbus
Dan Rendon - Holy Spirit
Nishi Uppal - St. Anne, Columbus
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Phillip Simpao - St. Anne, Columbus
Don Vestal - St. Joseph, Ft. Mitchell
John Koch - St. Michael

Women's Team 145

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Peg Gawne-Mark
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Meet your Secretariat



Robert S. Wilburn, Lay Director

Rob was born and raised in Kansas City, MO. He joined the military Dec 30, 1970, and would spend the next twenty one years serving in numerous countries and state-side assignments. His positions and duties varied as the needs of the military demanded. He married Mary Purcell July 10, 1971, at St. Augustine's Parish in Kansas City, MO. They have four children, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Except for hardship and combat tours where Rob went solo, the family accompanied him to various locations. It was during this time that Mary and Rob would live their Cursillo at St. Wendell's in Germany. They were both active in the Church throughout his military career, serving as CCD teachers, youth leaders, LEMs and Extraordinary Ministers. Rob became a part time college instructor for Central Texas College as a Law Enforcement Instructor. He retired from the military while serving at Fort Benning, GA in 1991 to pursue a degree in Middle School Education and Educational Leadership. He then taught science, mathematics, history and technology for twenty-three years and coached soccer, track and football in Columbus, GA. The family became members of St. Patrick's Parish in Phenix City in 1991, and served in a variety of ministries.



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GRAND ULTREYA
Calling All Cursillistas from the
Archdiocese

Saturday July 11, 2020 9am-3pm
Holy Spirit Catholic Church
8570 Vaughn Rd., Montgomery AL

Bring a covered dish to share for lunch
Drinks and snacks provided

Contact Bob Wheat for more
information 251-490-9350

The poster features a yellow background. At the top left is a black cross with a circle around it. To its right is a vibrant rainbow. The text is in various fonts, with 'De Colores!' in a script font and 'GRAND ULTREYA' in a large, bold, sans-serif font.

Holy Humor

