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"Something Worth Crowing About"



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The following reflection is inspired by St. Francis de Sales who noted that "Devotion must be practiced in different ways. God .. commanded the plants to bring forth fruit each according to its own kind; he has likewise commanded Christians, who are the living plants of his Church, to bring forth the fruits of devotion, each one in accord with his character, his station, and his calling." The fruits of a Cursillista are to Make a friend; Be a friend; and Bring your friend to Christ. How can we do this practically? A few ideas follow:

- D** Do what YOU are called by God to do. Each person's unique fingerprint is part of his living his own devotion.
- E** Enjoy the strength that comes from growing your relationship with Christ and while doing so cultivating that growth in others.
- V** Various practices are good for the soul. What you do now may look radically different from what you did yesterday, last year, or will do in the future. Allow God to prune you in various ways so that your faith life grows and blossoms.
- O** Open your eyes. Take a good look at your strengths, Are you using them to build the body of Christ?
- T** Truth is not to be held but to be shared. True devotion can only flower if we share the Truth of the Gospel. Our mission as Catholic Christians is to share the Gospel.
- I** Invite others to walk with you. Become their friend. Invite them to live their weekend.
- O** Occupy your "free" time with Holy Moments (Thank you, Matthew Kelly). This will feed your soul and draw others to God.
- N** "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few," stated Winston Churchill during the second World War. Make no mistake--we are in a battle right now. We need palanca--the knee-mail of the prayer warriors--to revitalize not just our Cursillo movement but our ability to worship freely. Never, never, never give up!

Did you know that Pope St. John Paul II described the Cursillo Movements "An instrument raised up by God for the proclamation of the Gospel in our time." WOW! Ask yourself where is your DEVOTION? What are the fruits of your devotion as a Cursillista? Are you ready to be 'leaven' and 'bloom where you are planted?' Let's start today!

--Theresa Gorman



**A Word From
Deacon
Joe Mueller**

BREAD OF LIFE

Some people make a meal just eating bread. Who doesn't like a slice of fresh baked bread with butter? Bread is the very staple of life. We cannot live without food for very long. Bread helps sustain us.

Several times Jesus refers to Himself as the bread of life. And we know His reference to BREAD is his body. But what did He mean OF LIFE? What life was Jesus referring to?

Jesus clearly meant something more than mere physical existence. The life Jesus refers to our connection with God, the author of life. Real

life is a relationship with the living God. Are you satisfied with mere physical existence or do you hunger for the abundant life which Jesus offers? This is what Jesus makes possible for us, being the bread of life: a loving relationship with God who created us to love Him. To accept Jesus as the bread of heaven is not only life and spiritual nourishment for us in this world, but glory in the world to come.

Lord Jesus, you are the living bread which sustains us in this life. May we always hunger for the bread which comes from heaven and find in it the nourishment and strength needed to love and serve you wholeheartedly.

Fall Weekends 2023

**Men's Weekend #146:
9/28 – 10/01
Visitation Monastery, Mobile
Rector: TBA**

**Women's Weekend #147:
10/19 – 10/22
Visitation Monastery, Mobile
Rectora: TBA**

"MAY THEY BE ONE"
JOHN 17: 20-22

**One Faith One Family
Conference 2023**

Saturday, March 18, 2023
Mobile Convention Center

Archbishop Rudi
Keynote Speaker

ONE HOLY CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC

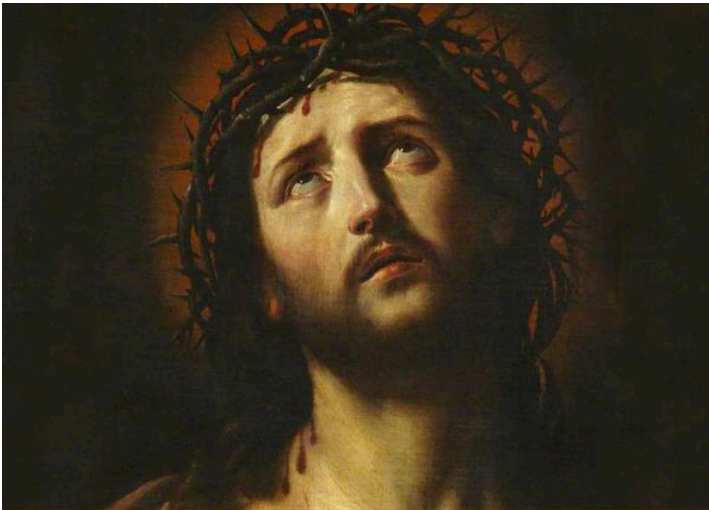
Dr. Andrew & Sarah Smallwood
Keynote Speakers

Conference begins at 9:00am
Closing Mass at 4:00pm

Bonus Pre-Conference Music & Food Celebration
Friday evening, March 17 at Couper Riverside Park
& the Convention Center

For more information or to register, scan the QR code or go to mobarch.org/one-faith-one-family

<https://mobarch.org/one-faith-one-family>



FEBRUARY
Month of the Passion of Our Lord

Meditations by Bishop Robert Barron

The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Passion of Our Lord in anticipation of the liturgical season of Lent. In this month, we begin to meditate on the mystery of Jesus' sufferings which culminated in his death on the Cross for the redemption of mankind. Saints who had a special devotion to Christ's passion include St. Francis of Assisi, who was the first known saint to receive the stigmata; St. John of the Cross; St. Bridget of Sweden; and St. Catherine of Siena.



One Faith, One Family

March 17-18

During the last secretariat meeting, discussion centered around the One Faith One Family Conference coming up in Mobile on March 17-18. It was decided to have a Cursillo table at the conference to remind everyone that Cursillo is still a presence here! Cursillistas are urged to attend. For more information see the link to the website below.

<https://mobarch.org/one-faith-one-family>



ULTREYAS

Auburn/ Opelika

- Leader: Celeste Boydston (205) 821-1024
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Baldwin

- New leaders needed. Currently meeting via committee.

Dothan

- New leaders needed.

Mobile

- Leader: Cathy Burch (251)709-6968
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Montgomery

- New leaders needed

North Baldwin

- New leaders needed.

Phenix City/Columbus

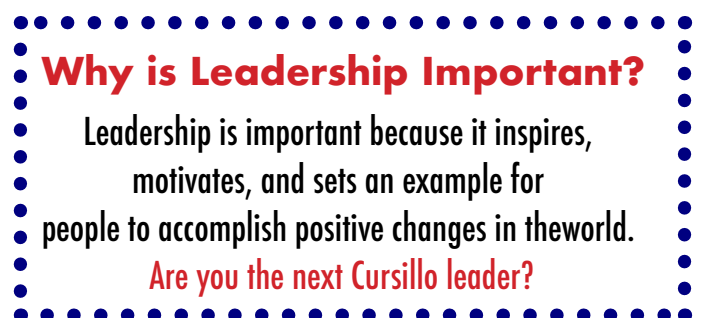
- New leaders needed.

South Baldwin

- New leaders needed.

SCHOOL OF LEADERS

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Why is Leadership Important?

Leadership is important because it inspires, motivates, and sets an example for people to accomplish positive changes in the world.

Are you the next Cursillo leader?

Cursillo Regional Meeting

April 14-15

Dear friends,

I first attended a Regional Meeting in 2004 as a new Cursillista and it re-affirmed Cursillo, its charism and being part of something bigger. Here is a similar opportunity for you to attend and learn more about the functioning of the Cursillo Movement. It will be held in Charlotte, NC. Please register and encourage others to attend as well.

**--Theresa Gorman
Lay Director**

REGISTRATION FORM (NEXT PAGE)

IS DUE BY MARCH 31

Registration: \$30 per person by mail/\$30 por correo/Ghi danh \$30 cho mỗi người, bằng thư _____ or at the door/en la puerta/hay khi vào cửa _____

Make check payable to/Cheque pagadero a /Chi phiếu xin trả cho: Charlotte Cursillo

MAIL COMPLETED REGISTRATION WITH PAYMENT TO/Enviar registraci3n y cheque a: /G3i đ3n ghi danh và chi phiếu tới địa chỉ sau:

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Thank you/ Gracias/ Cám ơn bạn



CURSILLO IN CHRISTIANITY
REGION VII SPRING ENCOUNTER
APRIL 14-15, 2023
St. Matthew Catholic Church
8015 Ballantyne Commons Parkway
Charlotte, NC 28277

REGISTRATION FORM

First Name/Nombre /Tên: _____

Last Name/ Apellido/Họ _____

Address/Dirección/Địa chỉ: _____

City/Cuidad/Thành phố: _____

State/Estado/Tiểu bang: _____ ZipCode: _____

Phone/Teléfono/Điện thoại: _____ E-Mail: _____

Spiritual Advisor/AsesorEspiritual/Linh Hưởng _____

Diocesan Coordinator/ Coordinador Diocesano/ Điều Hợp Viên Giáo Phận _____

Secretariat member/Miembro del Secretariado/Thành viên BÐH _____

Other/otro/Thành viên (Specify) _____

Diocese/Diócesis/Giáo Phận: _____

Group/Grupo/Nhóm: English ___ Español _____ Vietnamese ___ Other _____

This is my first time attending a Regional Encounter. ___ Yes ___ No

MEAL PLANNING: (Please check the appropriate boxes if you are planning to join us for the following meals)

___ Friday dinner (hosted by Vietnamese community)

___ Saturday Breakfast (hosted by English community)

___ Saturday Lunch (hosted by Hispanic community)

___ Optional Take away Saturday dinner (box sandwich meal)