



The Abrazo

The newsletter of The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo

FALL (September) 2019

2019 National Conference - Evangelism & Cursillo

The 2019 National Conference of the *Episcopal Cursillo Ministry* will be held at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, October 3-5, in downtown Kansas City, MO.

The Rt. Rev. Martin Field, Bishop of West Missouri, who is also Cursillo's liaison to the House of Bishops, will lead the conference. The Rt. Rev. Marc Andrus, Bishop of the Diocese of California and the national church's lead advocate regarding climate change, will speak about Cursillistas' commitment in the Fourth Day to protect God's creation. He will be joined by the Rt. Rev. Cathleen Bascom, the new Bishop of Kansas. Jerusalem Greer, the evangelism officer on the staff of Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, will speak on the need for Cursillistas to go beyond the heights of the Cursillo weekend itself to spread the Good News in the Fourth Day. This year's conference offers a number of exciting and relevant workshops including:



The Rt. Rev. Martin Field

- **The Anglican Rosary and All Its Special Uses**
The Reverend Pat Miller, Diocese of Atlanta
- **A Ministry for Those with Special Needs**
Thom's Helpers Ministry, St. Thomas the Apostle, Diocese of Kansas
- **Care and Creation Ministries**
Bishop Marc Andrus, Diocese of California and Bishop Cathleen Bascom, Diocese of Kansas
- **Channeling Action and Evangelism Cursillo Style**
Nina Jo Moore, Diocese of Western North Carolina and the Reverend Deacon Nancy Behm, Diocese of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
- **How the Way of Love and the Cursillo Method Sync**
The Reverend Doctor Steven Rottgers, Canon, Diocese of West Missouri
- **New Approach to the 4th Day: the Diocese of Olympia's Journey**
Pam Tinsley and Barbara Blakiston, Diocese of Olympia
- **The Art of Grief Ministry**
Russ Sifers and Pam Gardner, St. Thomas the Apostle, Diocese of Kansas
- **Leadership Bootcamp**
The Reverend Doctor Steven Rottgers, Canon, Diocese of West Missouri
- **Christian Communities in Action**
Panel of Ministries from the Diocese of Kansas
- **The Two Day Weekend — How is it Working?**
Panel, Dioceses from Across the Cursillo Ministry
- **Channeling Action and Evangelism Cursillo Style**
Nina Jo Moore, Diocese of Western North Carolina and the Reverend Deacon Nancy Behm, Diocese of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin



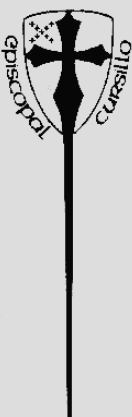
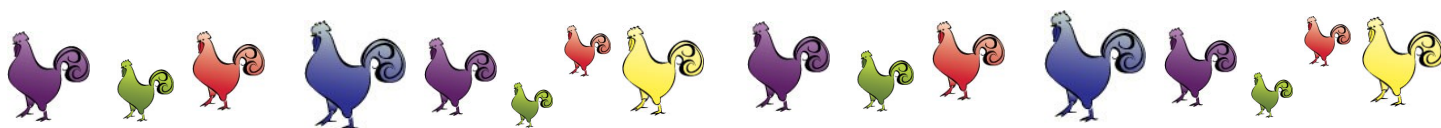
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MARYLAND EPISCOPAL CURSILLO WEEKEND 115

"The Glory of God!" November 8 - 10, 2019

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"The Glory of God" - November 8 - 10, 2019

*The heavens are telling the Glory of God, And all creation is shouting for joy!
Come, dance in the forest, come, play in the field, And sing, sing to the glory of the Lord!*
Canticle of the Sun

The theme for this 115th Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland is *The Glory of God*, inspired by meditations of St. Francis of Assisi based on Psalm 19 and Psalm 148. These meditations would become the Canticle of the Sun and the hymn All Creatures of Our God and King.

Music for this weekend will be led by Al Todd, Ernie Tucker, and Norm Mayfield — all from the Third Sunday Band at St. Margaret's Church, Annapolis. Spiritual directors for this weekend include the Rev. Joanna White, the Rev. Eddie Blue, and the Ven. Ruth Elder, deacon.

This condensed weekend begins 6:00 pm, Friday, November 8 and concludes by 6:00 pm, Sunday, November 10. MD 115 will be held at Claggett Center, Adamstown MD.

The team for this weekend includes a diverse group of women and men who have each found God in their lives in varied and very special ways. They have been called from throughout the diocese to share what they received with the new cursillistas who will join us. The team lives in two states and members are separated by more than three hours and 170 miles. We have experienced Cursillo not only in this diocese but in Pennsylvania, New York, Easton, Washington DC, and Accra, Ghana. Some of us loved a dear friend, recently deceased, who attended MD 15 in 1982 — 100 weekends ago and before one of our team members was born.

For some on the team this is our first time experience with a shortened weekend — accepting the challenge of leaving nothing out without serving up rollos day and night. For all it is the first time the team will not perform Arky-Arky at Mananitas. For some it is the first time as rollista, first time at a table with expectant new cursillistas, first time as Agape cha, first time experiencing an Agape meal, first time in a leadership role as part of the core team, first time in a team shirt. Others have served multiple times in multiple roles and the list of weekends served cascades down the sleeves of their team shirts. Three members of the team have previously served as weekend rector — one three times in two countries.

We will soon request help with the weekend from the Maryland Cursillo community. We now ask you to reach out and sponsor. Afraid you will not get it right? That nudge you feel is the Spirit of God — it has to be right. If your invitees cannot attend this time— let the invitation include mananitas, clausura, team commissioning. Let God's time work. And we have no secrets!

Pray for the team, for their families, for yourself and for all those to whom you are reaching out who will become new cursillistas — participants who will not otherwise become part of this community without being invited. Thirty years ago I was cajoled (a lot stronger than invited) into attending MD 38 when my sponsors the late Larry Heacock and Nancy Heacock would not let go, they did not give up. Share your experiences with others about the sponsors who loved you, just like Larry and Nancy loved me in spite of myself.

The team has another request in the form an invitation: Join us for team commissioning. Commissioning is Sunday, October 20, St. Margaret's Church, Annapolis at the 11:15 service. There is plenty of parking. The Rev. Patti Sachs who is assistant rector at St. Margaret's Church and a Maryland hatched cursillista out of St. James' Lothian will officiate. Patti+ will be joined on the altar by the clergy who are serving as spiritual advisors. Music is by the Third Sunday Band and all are invited. This is not a Cursillo event. This is an open celebration of God working in one of God's joy filled ways and part of Sunday worship.

Our lives, our work, our worship, our encouraging, our giving, our showing up — all for The Glory of God!

Ultreya,
— Michael Winn, MD 38
Weekend Rector, MD 115



MARYLAND EPISCOPAL CURSILLO

2019 Annual Diocesan Ultreya & 4th Day Workshop

Cathedral of the Incarnate

4 East University Parkway, Baltimore, MD 21218 (Peabody Room)

<http://incarnationbmore.org/>

Come Join Us !!

Saturday, OCTOBER 12, 2019

10 am - 4th Day Workshop

12 am - Annual Meeting & Lunch

1 - 2 pm Enjoy an Ultreya, Music, & Fellowship



A Day of Deeper Understanding

- *I attended a Cursillo Weekend. Now what?*
- *There was so much to absorb. What is most important?*
- *Is Cursillo of real value in my spiritual life?*
- *How can I share the experience I had with others?*
- *How can I begin again?*
- *How can I support Cursillo?*

RSVP Not Required, but Appreciated

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MD 115 Team Commissioning - October 20th

Join us on Sunday, October 20th, at the 11:15 a.m. Service at [St. Margaret's Episcopal Church](#), Annapolis, MD, as the members of the MD 115 Team are commissioned! This will be a wonderful opportunity to support them as they continue to prepare for the weekend and enjoy the music of the Third Sunday Band and the fellowship of the friends at St. Margaret's!

Ultreya!

I'M FULLY CONVINCED
THAT THE GREATEST
THING YOU CAN DO
FOR SOMEONE; THE
MOST JESUS-LIKE, MOST
GOD-HONORING THING,
IS TO ERR ON THE SIDE
OF LOVING THEM.

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-Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

A Pastoral Prayer

Tender and compassionate God, you are our steadfast companion in all the times of our lives.

*When we rejoice, you rejoice with us; when we are anxious and afraid,
you offer us a place where we can find the courage to face the unknown;
when we weep with sadness, you are our comforter.*

*Help us, O LORD, to believe that you accept us for who we are and who we are not.
Help us as we reach out and serve those around us to be your presence in a troubled world,
thru Jesus Christ our LORD and Savior, Amen.*

— Chris Werth, MD 87



Prayer Palanca Sent in Support of Other Weekends

Palanca was recently emailed in support of many upcoming weekends, including the following, for inclusion on their Palanca Wall. Please pray for these weekends. *Requests for weekend palanca from The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo can be sent to Pamela Blyth at [MarylandEpiscopalCursillo™ gmail.com](mailto:MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com)*

Anglican Diocese of Christchurch, New Zealand, Weekend #22 (April 25-28)
 Episcopal Diocese of Alabama, Cursillo Weekend #217 (April 24-28)
 Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina, Cursillo Weekend #98 (April 24-28)
 Southern Virginia Cursillo, Co-Ed Weekend #166 (May 2-5)
 Bahamas Men's Cursillo Weekend #28 (June 6-9)
 Arizona Emmaus, Men's Walk #251 (July 11-14)
 Arizona Emmaus, Women's Walk #253 (July 18-21)
 Abilene, Texas, Big Country Walk to Emmaus, Men's Walk #237 (August 15-18)
 Diocese of Springfield, Ill, Adam & Eve Weekend #37 (August 22-25)
 Pretoria, South Africa Gloriosa Mens Walk to Emmaus # 111 (August 22-25)
 Pretoria, South Africa Gloriosa Ladies Walk to Emmaus # 112 (August 29-September 1)
 South Africa, Protea-Emmaus Community in South Africa, Men's Walk #131 (August 29-September 1)
 South Africa, Protea-Emmaus Community in South Africa, Ladies' Walk #131 (September 5-8)
 Arizona Episcopal Cursillo, Eo-Ed #120 (September 5-8)
 Abilene, Texas, Big Country Walk to Emmaus, Women's Walk #238 (September 12-15)
 South Africa, Eastern Cape Emmaus Community, Men's Walk #79 (September 19-22)
 Southwest Michigan, Men's Weekend # 131 (September 19-32)
 Men's Faithwalk, Arklatex #15 (September 19-22)
 Quad City Emmaus Community, Men's Walk to Emmaus #121 (September 19-22)
 Georgia Foothills Walk to Emmaus, North Georgia, Men's Walk #35 (September 26-29)
 Quad City Emmaus Community, Women's Walk to Emmaus #122 (September 26-29)
 Women's Faithwalk, Arklatex #16 (September 26-29)
 South Africa, Eastern Cape Emmaus Community, Ladies' Walk #80 (September 26-29)
 Colorado Front Range Tres Dias, Men's Weekend (September 26-29)
 Georgia Foothills Walk to Emmaus, North Georgia, Women's Walk #35 (October 3-6)
 Colorado Front Range Tres Dias, Women's Weekend (October 3-6)
 Gulf Coast Tres Dias, Men's Weekend (October 3-6)
 Men's Emmaus Walk # 156 (October 3-6)
 Minnesota Correctional Facility Charis, Weekend #15 (October 5-8)
 Women's Emmaus Walk # 156 (October 10-13)
 Gulf Coast Tres Dias, Women's Weekend (October 10-13)
 Diócesis San Felipe de Aconcagua, Chile, Para Nuestro Cursillo, De Hombres #26 (October 10-13)
 Southwest Michigan, Women's #132 (October 17-20)
 Bahamas Women's Cursillo #24 (October 24-27)

Collect for 4th Day Movements

O Gracious God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, look with favor on all those gathering around the world in Cursillo, Happening, Chrysalis, Walk to Emmaus, Via de Cristo, Kairos, and other such movements. Grant both the leaders and candidates such wisdom, power, humility, and grace that day by day they would more nearly follow Your Way, more clearly see Your Truth, and more dearly love the Life You give through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

— The Rev. Dr. Richard Larabee



Writing Palanca!

Palanca is a Spanish word that means "lever." Just as a lever enables a person to move something which is beyond normal strength, palanca, empowers the accomplishment of things which would not be possible without the Grace of God. The purpose of palanca is to serve as God's arms and hands in the lives of the candidates on the weekend by extending the grace which has so freely been extended to us.



Personal palanca is most frequently demonstrated in brief notes of encouragement that are meant solely for the recipient. Remember, though, that it is not these notes themselves that are the actual Palanca, but the thoughts and prayers that go into the notes from those individuals and communities living in union with Christ. Each Palanca note is a personal expression of reassurance that God accepts the candidate wherever he or she is on their spiritual journey. Consider including a reference to encouraging scripture that reminds the candidate of God's promise or confirmation that you are praying for them during their Weekend. You can include small items that fit into the envelope, such as cards, bookmarks, and pins.

General palanca is expressed through gifts of food or snacks in support of the Weekend, decorating team shirts, providing flowers, crocheting lanyards for candidate crosses, signing up for the prayer chart or any number of other things that the Weekend Rector may indicate are needed.

Consider donating your time for Service palanca such as assisting with the setup and cleanup of special events during the Weekend or running errands for the Rector and team members. There are usually many opportunities that require your gift of time.

It is easy to get caught up in the daily demands on our time and forget to prepare palanca for candidates or team members. But think back to your personal reaction to the palanca you've received in the past - especially during your Weekend - and to how very much it meant to you. Remember your amazement at such a concrete manifestation of the love that your family in Christ held for you - many of whom had not even met you personally at the time.

As we answer the Rector's call for prayers for the team and candidates, please think about the palanca you can provide in support of the upcoming MD 115 Weekend.

Ultreya!



Sunday Coffee Hour Candidate Recruitment!

The Cursillistas of St. James' Parish, Lothian, MD have begun sponsoring two Sunday Coffee Hours each year, one before each of the Candidate deadlines, in order to share information about the Maryland Episcopal Cursillo Movement and the Three-Day Weekend experience.

This has not required a lot of work - volunteers just provide the snacks for the coffee hour that is held after the 10 a.m. service along with a few copies of the MEC Brochure, Candidate and Sponsor Application Forms, and a china rooster or two to decorate the table!

This has proven to be an effective way to generate interest and recruit candidates for the weekends. Please share any recruitment ideas you may be using so we can publish them in future issues of the Abrazo!



Maryland Cursillo is Calling YOU!

What are your gifts? How has God blessed you in ways that you can share with the Maryland Episcopal Cursillo? Many of us have fond memories of singing the lines, *"This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine!"* But over time, we may have begun to take our own gifts for granted, often underestimating them or the contributions we can make.

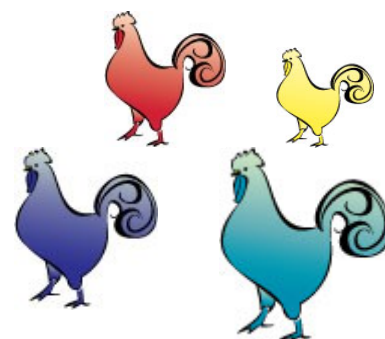
Maryland Cursillo needs and values every one of us and welcomes our participation. Your gifts are needed to make a difference in the lives of so many others. Whether it's sewing, organizing projects, giving witness talks, helping with art projects, preparing food, serving on a leadership team, assisting with the Agape, writing articles, helping coordinate an Ultreya, or just making a joyful noise, *YOUR* participation is valued and needed!

You can download the [Resource List](#) from MDEpiscopalCursillo.com. Please take a few minutes to read through this information and prayerfully consider where and how your light can shine on the Maryland Cursillo Movement!

Ultreya!

— Pamela Blyth, MD 92

Communications Coordinator, MEC



The Cost of Discipleship

Cursillo is a continuing ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland, sustained by the donations of the many friends and supporters throughout the Diocese and beyond for whom Cursillo has been a gift.

Please consider making a financial donation to sustain this important ministry.

YES, I will support Cursillo, by word and by deed, by holding Cursillo up in prayer and by enclosing my financial gift of \$ _____ to further its ministry, or pledging to contribute a monthly/quarterly gift of \$ _____ to sustain the work of MEC.

Please mail your donation or pledge to:

The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo

c/o The Episcopal Church of Christ the King, 1930 Brookdale Road, Baltimore, MD 21244

Name _____ Date _____ Weekend # _____

Address _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ (home) _____ (cell)

Thank you !



What Is Cursillo All About?

Thinking of talking to someone about attending MD 115 as a Candidate? Have you “talked to Jesus about you friend” and are now ready to “talk to your friend about Jesus?” Below are some talking points to help start your conversation. Remember, the deadline for Candidate Applications is **October 8th!**

What is Cursillo?

- ♦ An opportunity to grow in faith and in spirituality.
- ♦ A deeper understanding of the teachings of Jesus and how we can serve Him.
- ♦ An experience of living and sharing with others in a loving and caring Christian community and realizing that this can be extended into our own environment.
- ♦ A continuing community that gives support and encouragement to help Christians carry out their Baptismal Vows.

*The key elements of the Episcopal Cursillo Ministry are
relationship, evangelism, and reconciliation
in the home, the parish, the community, and the world.*

The Episcopal Cursillo Weekend:

- ♦ Cursillo includes a time to experience living in a supportive Christian community through the Episcopal Cursillo Weekend.
- ♦ Across the country, dioceses offer Weekends following a three-day schedule that usually begins on Thursday evening and concludes on Sunday.
- ♦ Some dioceses offer Weekends following a shorter schedule that begins on Friday evening and concludes on Sunday.
- ♦ ALL Weekends include fifteen talks, five meditations and a Eucharist every day.
- ♦ The Episcopal Cursillo Weekend is not a retreat.
 - √ It is an opportunity to meet clergy and laity seeking to strengthen our faith.
 - √ It provides an environment to experience the reality of the gift of God’s love through shared prayer, individual meditation, worship, study, fellowship, laughter, tears, and unconditional love.

After the Weekend:

- ♦ Each person returning from a Weekend is encouraged to actively participate in the Jesus Movement.
- ♦ This time after the Weekend is known as the “Fourth Day” and extends for the rest of their lives.
- ♦ Through the Cursillo community, there are ongoing means to support Christian living and ministry.

What’s expected of participants?

- ♦ To be open and willing to respond to what you experience, to share your feelings with others, and allow them to share theirs with you.
- ♦ To make a genuine effort to discover where you are and where or how you can grow in your Christian life.
- ♦ To feel secure in the knowledge that you are accepted where you are and as you are, and to know that a specific response is not expected of you.

ULTREYA!

Prayer for the Gift of the Holy Spirit

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your Love.
Send forth Your Spirit and we shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth.
O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
Grant that by that same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy Your consolations;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*



CANDIDATE APPLICATION

Maryland Episcopal Cursillo – Three Day Weekend

Preferred title (please circle): Mr. – Mrs. – Ms. – Dr. – The Rev. – The Right Rev.

Name: _____

Address: _____
Street
City
State
Zip

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____@_____

Occupation: _____ Marital Status _____

Name to be used on button _____ Date of birth _____
Month/Day/Year

Home parish: _____ Clergy _____

Do you require accommodations to satisfy dietary, physical, or medical restrictions? No _____ Yes _____
Please detail if YES _____

Has your sponsor(s) discussed your participation in the 4th Day in grouping, attending Ultreyas, and participating in a 4th Day workshop? No _____ Yes _____

After prayerful consideration, please write a brief statement about why you want to attend a Cursillo weekend on the back of this form.

Candidate's Signature / Date

Sponsor's Signature / Date

Clergy Endorsement:

I know the above-named person and am aware that he/she is submitting an application to attend a Cursillo Weekend. I am not aware of any issues that would preclude this candidate's participation in Cursillo at this time.

Clergy Name (Signature)

Name of Parish

Clergy Name (Printed)

PLEASE SCAN AND EMAIL THIS FORM TO:

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Contact us at the above address for technical assistance.

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c/o Wamahdri Williams, MD 64, Assistant Lay Director,

618 Hidden Pond Lane, Severna Park, MD 21146



SPONSOR APPLICATION

Maryland Episcopal Cursillo – Three Day Weekend

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

PRIMARY Sponsor: _____ **Weekend #** _____

Address: _____

Street	City	State	Zip
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Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____@_____

Candidate(s) being sponsored: _____

SECONDARY Sponsor (if applicable): _____ Weekend # _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____@_____

2. SPONSORSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

Date and location of your 4th Day workshop(s): _____

Are you a member of a permanent group reunion? YES _____ NO _____

What Ultreya(s) do you normally attend? _____

Your parish: _____

3. SPONSOR'S COMMITMENT

As a sponsor, I/we will:

- Pray for my candidate(s) before, during, and after the Cursillo weekend.
- Discuss the weekend generally, including something about activities, the nature of the accommodations at Claggett, and how to resolve any physical, dietary, or medical accommodations.
- Provide or arrange for the candidate(s) transportation to and from the weekend, including a meal on Thursday night prior to arriving to the Cursillo.
- Discuss with my candidate the participation required on and after a Cursillo weekend.
 - √ Assist my candidate to find a permanent Group Reunion, or group myself with the new Cursillista(s).
 - √ Discuss with and accompany my candidates to the Reunion Ultreya
 - √ Discuss with and accompany my candidates to the 4th Day Workshop
- Send the appropriate fees with both signed applications to the address below. *The current fees may be found on the Cursillo website at MDEpiscopalCursillo.com*

NOTE: Candidates not attending a parish in this diocese are expected to financially support Cursillo in their home diocese, not MEC; therefore, these candidates are required to pay the FULL weekend fee. *ALL fees are NON-REFUNDABLE 30 days prior to the Cursillo weekend.*

Sponsor(s) Signature(s)

Date _____

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Receive EMAIL Updates!

Consider joining the hundreds of MEC Cursillistas who have already signed up for the MEC Email list!

To be included, please email:

MEC Communications Coordinator at
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UPDATE Your ADDRESS !

Let us know if your Email OR Mailing address has changed so you

won't miss important information.

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Thanks

Maryland Episcopal Cursillo [Website](#)

The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo website is a great way to keep in touch with the Cursillo community!

Information about special events, upcoming weekends, candidate and team lists, updates to the Secretariat and Servant Community contact list, forms and other items of interest are available for easy reference. You can even read the recent issues of the MEC newsletter, *The Abrazo*, online at your convenience.

Please be sure to visit us at

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**And you can now
 like us on Facebook!**

The Purpose of Cursillo
 is to help those in the Church understand
 their individual calling to be Christian leaders.

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-Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

THE JESUS MOVEMENT !

FOUR STEPS FOR CURSILLO ACTION

1. **Find Christians** who have the potential to influence their environments, which may be home, work, church, geographic, or social in nature;
2. **Encourage those Christians** and help them to see that God is calling them to do His work where they are and help them offer themselves to that work;
3. **Empower those Christians** with the means God offers through the Church to be effective apostles, help them identify their particular Christian vocation within their environments;
4. **Link those Christians** with one another for the work of apostolic action through spiritual direction, regular small group reunions, and frequent gathering of the groups for encouragement.

ULTREYA!!



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Pre-Cursillo Rep	<i>VACANT</i>
Weekend Coordinator	<i>VACANT</i>
Spiritual Advisor	<i>Susan Oldfather+, MD 101</i>

Monthly Ultreyas

3rd Friday, 7 PM

Alternates Location

St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church

375 Benfield Road, Severna Park, MD

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

7859 Tick Neck Road, Pasadena, MD

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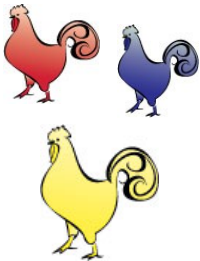
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**Talk to Jesus about your Friend
Before you talk to your Friend about Jesus.**



A Statement from the Episcopal Cursillo Ministry (ECM)



A Statement from the National Episcopal Cursillo, May 2008

Cursillo has always kept its eyes firmly focused on Jesus and on the Mission. One of the principles of the Cursillo movement is that: ***We focus on Christ and His resurrection power in our lives, transforming us into the people He would have us be. Theological disputes and political issues have no part in our agenda.***

The Cursillo Movement is a movement that brings together all people, whether they might consider themselves to have a liberal or conservative Christian philosophy or somewhere in between, for the common good of promoting Jesus Christ and God's Mission. It is Christ-centered and Christ-focused. The Policy of the National Episcopal Cursillo Committee is that it will not be an organization with a political or social agenda. National Episcopal Cursillo is a movement of the Episcopal Church.

We recognize, however, that a number of individuals with connections and interest in the Episcopal Cursillo Movement are no longer affiliated with the Episcopal Church. As a sign of reconciliation, we welcome those still able, as individuals, to be in communion with the local Episcopal Diocesan Bishop and fellow Cursillistas, whether lay or ordained, to participate in the activities of the Cursillo Movement. Furthermore, and always at the Diocesan Bishop's discretion, we encourage an openness to their continued participation and interest in the activities of the Episcopal Cursillo. It should be understood by all that as a part of their participation, they agree to do so fully for the advancement of Cursillo, be supportive of the mission of Episcopal Cursillo, and agree that they will not promote any political agenda.

What is clear is that National Episcopal Cursillo was created to serve the Episcopal Church in the United States, and we are licensed by the Roman Catholic Church to do that. Despite our personal theological and political views, we are focused on knowing Christ and making Him known to others. That is our call and in doing it lays our greatest joy. Ultreya! Ultreya!! Let us get on with the day's apostolic action. Let us all pray for the Church and one another everyday.





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2019 Annual Diocesan Ultreya & 4th Day Workshop

All Cursillistas are invited to attend – Bring a Friend!

October 12, 2019

Cathedral of the Incarnation, Baltimore, MD

MD 115 Team Commissioning

All Cursillistas are invited to attend – Bring a Friend!

October 20, 2019, at the 11:15 a.m. Service

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Annapolis, MD

MD Weekend 115 "The Glory of God!"

[The Bishop Claggett Center](#), Adamstown, MD

November 8 - 10, 2019

Sponsor's Service

November 8 - 7:30 p.m.

Las Mananitas

November 10 - 6:45 a.m.

Clausura

November 10 - 3:45 p.m.

MD Weekend 115 Reunion Ultreya & 4th Day Workshop

To Be Announced

All Cursillistas are invited to attend!

4th Day Workshop

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Lunch

12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Ultreya

1 p.m.

MD Weekend 116

April 23-26, 2020

Please visit MDEpiscopalCursillo.com for more information about upcoming events!

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