



The Abrazo

The newsletter of Maryland Episcopal Cursillo

SUMMER 2018

Your Cursillo Foundations!

Summer is over. School will be starting soon. They days will be shortening as we move into fall. As a youth, I always loved this time of year – Back to School. Yes, I am weird that way, because I loved shopping for school supplies – the perfect pencils, pens, notebooks and backpacks as well as that first day back to school outfit. This year, I had the bittersweet pleasure of taking my youngest son to college. I was giddy with the idea of being back on a college campus, enjoying the bustle of getting all the appropriate dorm accoutrements arranged and having a bite to eat at the campus cafeteria. As I drove away after saying my final goodbyes with the obligatory mom hug, I stopped and thought, “This is my beloved son, and I am well pleased!” At that moment, all the prayers and blessings that have been uttered on his behalf were realized. Right now, I am pleased. All I know and pray is that he has been equipped with the proper tools to make good choices.

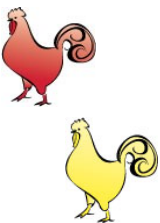
A Cursillo weekend is kind of like letting go of your child after you have given him the tools to make good decisions. Cursillo gives us Piety, Study, and Action as tools to continue our walk with Christ and to share God’s love with everyone. Sometimes, we are consumed with the minutia of the day and often times forget to acknowledge our closest moments with God (Piety); we forget to stop and be present in God’s word (Study); and we don’t take the time to make a friend, or to be a friend or bring a friend to Christ (Action).

First Corinthians 10:13 says, “No temptation has overtaken you that is unusual for human beings. But God is faithful, and he will not allow you to be tempted beyond your strength. Instead, along with the temptation he will also provide a way out, so that you may be able to endure it.” When you feel the tug of the world pulling at you, check out a Grouping or attend an Ultreya to help you get back on track.

I know that my son will face many temptations during his college journey, so my prayers will continue and my care packages will be his lever (palanca). As we move into fall, take time to remember to acknowledge your Cursillo foundations of Piety, Study and Action as they will be your palanca throughout your spiritual journey.

Ultreya!

—Brenda Boucher, MD 101
Lay Director, MEC



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

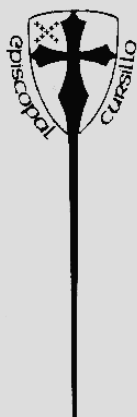


MARYLAND EPISCOPAL CURSILLO WEEKEND 113

"Our God Reigns!" November 8 - 11, 2018

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MARYLAND EPISCOPAL CURSILLO WEEKEND 113

"Our God Reigns!" November 8 - 11, 2018

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" ⁸ Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices; together they shout for joy. When the LORD returns to Zion, they will see it with their own eyes. ⁹ Burst into songs of joy together, you ruins of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. ¹⁰ The LORD will lay bare his holy arm in the sight of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God. Isaiah 52:7-10 New International Version (NIV)

God doesn't call the qualified; he qualifies the called. I did not want to be Rector of a weekend. I was comfortable being a CHA; sitting in the back of the room being the invisible hands of God. But God was not satisfied. I saw the need was great to have a Rector, so against my judgement, but in line with God, I agreed to be Rector. And enthusiastic Cursillistas agreed to join me on the , and we started working on the weekend. Then by the Candidate deadline, there were no candidates. My Team and I were at the same time disappointed and relieved. Disappointed because there were no candidates and relieved because we were not quite ready. God's plan was that I should be Rector of a weekend with Bishop Sutton, and my team is moving forward with me.

November 8 - 11, 2018, put it on your calendar, will be the twice delayed MD 113 weekend. The team is excited and has started preparation. But the team is still trusting God will provide a few more team members and LOTS of candidates. The theme of the weekend MD 113 will be "Our GOD Reigns".

I pray that everyone who reads this will seek God's will for the MD 113 weekend. Everyone can have a part. A few more team members are needed; music team, table leaders and/or CHAs. An Agape team has not been identified. Team applications can be found on the website (MarylandEpiscopalCursillo.com).

Please submit them as instructed. Or an e-mail to Pamela (MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com) saying you want to help with Agape or bed making or making palanca. Sponsors are needed. I hope and pray that by October 8th we will have a number of candidates.

The Bishop hopes to have clergy attend this weekend. Consider encouraging your rector, priest-in-charge or deacon. If your clergy has been, consider encouraging clergy from a nearby parish. The tools of Cursillo need to spread to parishes where they aren't now active. The Monday, October 8th candidate deadline date is very important for the team to make preparations for the candidates. *Make a Friend, Be a Friend, Bring a Friend to Christ*, and seek God's guidance as to whether to send your friend on a weekend. Sponsor and Candidate applications are on the website, please submit them as instructed.

Do not neglect Mañanitas. One does not have to sponsor a candidate or team member to be at Mañanitas and/or Clausura. And everyone can participate in the prayer chart. When the Online Prayer chart is released, sign up!

As a member of Secretariat, I know how important Secretariat is to the successful execution of a weekend. If you cannot be on team or be a sponsor, consider and pray about being a member of Secretariat or Servant Community for Maryland Episcopal Cursillo. There are a number of vacancies in the positions. Position descriptions are on the website. Contact Brenda Boucher if you want to know more (totheskies@msn.com).

And finally, green palanca is always appreciated. Checks can be sent to Maryland Episcopal Cursillo, c/o The Episcopal Church of Christ the King (see the form on the website).

God does not call the qualified, he qualifies the called. You, the reader of this article, are called to serve God as part of Maryland Episcopal Cursillo weekend MD 113. *What is Jesus calling you to do?*

— David Richardson, MD 88
Weekend Rector, Maryland 113



What My Weekend Meant to Me!

Powerful transformations that result from the three-day weekend experience! The following witness statements were recently shared by members of the community. Please pray about candidates for MD 113, and consider whom God is calling through YOU!

My weekend has absolutely changed my life for the better. But it didn't happen immediately or all at once. It has happened slowly but continuously — I have become more faithful, developed a deeper understanding of God in my life, and developed a deeper communication with Him. De Colores! KN



My Weekend, ¥85, was a "Mountain Top" experience, and even tho' it was in 1986, it is still fresh in my memory!! I encourage all to attend. BTW, I came "gently" down the Mountain!! DeColores!

— Fran Shoemaker, MD 29

The experience of my three day weekend and ongoing experience of Cursillo have linked the words Cursillo and hospitality in my mind. Or, perhaps I should say the "actions" of Cursillo and hospitality, because I do think of each as actions. Radical hospitality, the kind Jesus displayed and taught us to display towards each other, is exemplified in Cursillo. I carry the experience of Cursillo with me every day and am more mindful to pay it forward whenever I can.

— Cecelia Petro, MD 101



It was early December 1979 when Jack, my husband, and I arrived Claggett to begin the MD #1 weekend. The weekend was over-the-top. So many memories, still. But one outstanding one, the De Colores song, had been printed onto a white sheet by someone. What beautiful palanca. I have stayed involved with Cursillo, grouping with many different people over the past 39 years. I still have my original grouping card and some of the wonderful palanca from the weekend. It has been in those grouping sessions where discernment about many life situations has taken place. The weekend itself began this journey that has enriched our 50 years of marriage, my ordination, serving on the weekends as a lay person and now as clergy. I currently serve as the spiritual advisor for Cursillo in the Diocese of FL. We have sponsored people for Cursillo over the years, and it is a true blessing to see these people grow in Christ. We still are in touch with many of them.

— The Rev. Sandy Tull, MD 1

I will never forget my Cursillo Weekend at Claggett and the lasting effect it had in shaping my Christian Life. I attended Maryland #1 with my wife Sandy+ in November 1979. As the weekend progressed I could feel the change happening in real time. The team consisting mostly from Virginia were outstanding and the Piety talk on that weekend is something I will never forget. I remember so clear the closing service and my chance to offer witness to the life changing weekend I had just completed. My sponsors (Rod and Joyce Scofield, St. Paul's, Piney, DOW) were there with big smiles and support. After my Cursillo I served on several MEC teams including one (Md #5) in which my mother and father were candidates. Since our parish was actually in the Diocese of Washington we decided with the help of Bishop Bill Spofford, Assisting Bishop in DOW, to begin Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of Washington. I served as the first Lay Director and Rector of our first weekend held at a Catholic Retreat Center in Silver Springs around 1984. We also initiated the Multi-Diocesan Ultreya held in the National Cathedral each year. Cursillo moved me from being more of a mechanical Christian to a Christian that had the love of Christ in my heart and desire to pass that love to others. That love and eagerness to serve followed us to the Diocese of Florida in 1997. That Cursillo spark allowed me to serve with passion in many congregational and diocesan leadership roles and on Diocese of Florida Cursillo teams. I served those hurting in this world as Diocesan Coordinator for Episcopal Relief & Development for 17 years and have been an active member of the House of Deputies for the past 5 General Conventions. I can honestly say that my service to Christ since my Cursillo weekend almost 39 years ago is due to that Maryland #1 weekend in which I met Christ in a new and energizing way.



— Jack Tull, MD 1

Share YOUR "Witness Statement" with the community.

Send your thoughts about your Weekend experience to MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com



Remembering the Sponsor's Role Before & After the Weekend

We all remember our Cursillo weekend. We were picked up by our Sponsor, had dinner before arriving at the Claggett Center, and were picked up after the beautiful spirit-filled Clausura on Sunday afternoon. Your Sponsor may have even taken you to your 4th Day Workshop and Ultreya. Sadly, some of our candidates get what I call the "drop and run". A Sponsor's responsibilities are sometimes lost around the excitement of bringing another body into the Cursillo family.

Sponsors, your responsibility to your Candidate begins before you even ask your intended candidate if he/she would like to attend a Cursillo Weekend. Before you approach the person, *talk to Jesus about your friend before you talk to your friend about Cursillo*. I know that is an overused phrase, but it is an important step to practice. Remember, the purpose of Cursillo is to help those in the church better understand their individual callings to be Christian leaders. You also need to talk to your priest or spiritual advisor who also knows the intended candidate. Your priest or spiritual advisor may know something personal about your candidate that he/she is not at liberty to share and may suggest that you not send that particular person to Cursillo at this time. Please keep an open mind and an open heart.

Once you have all the preliminary work secured, go ahead and talk to your friend about attending the Weekend.

As a Sponsor you should:

- pray for all the candidates before, during, and after the Cursillo Weekend;
- attend the Sponsor Service the evening you drop off your candidate;
- provide or arrange for transportation of your Candidate to and from the Weekend, including a meal on Thursday night prior to arriving at The Claggett Center;
- help your Candidate to find a permanent Group (or group themselves with the new Cursillistas) and an Ultreya; and
- provide or arrange to get your Candidate to the Weekend Reunion Ultreya and to the 4th Day Workshop.

All in all, your candidate should be spiritually ready to attend the Weekend. As you know, a Cursillo Weekend is not a place for someone not already committed to Christ. Cursillo provides:

- an opportunity to grow in faith and in spirituality;
- a way to gain 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; and
- a community that continually gives support and encouragement to help Christians carry out their Baptismal Vows.

Ultreya!
—Brenda Boucher, MD 101
Lay Director, MEC

Prayer for the Gift

*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 His consolations;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*





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.

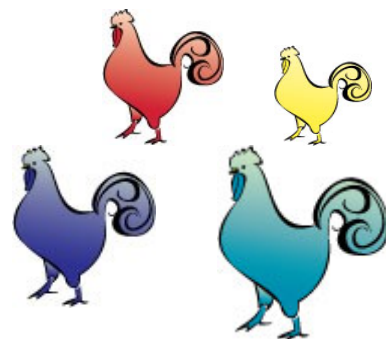
Maryland Cursillo needs and values every one of us and welcomes our participation. Your gifts are needed to make a difference in the lives of so many others. Whether it's sewing, organizing projects, giving witness talks, helping with art projects, preparing food, serving on a leadership team, assisting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

You'll find a [Resource List](#) on page 12 of this issue (or you can [download](#) it 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 _____ Weekend # _____
Address _____



RESOURCE LIST

Maryland Episcopal Cursillo

What gifts has God blessed you with that you will share with your brothers and sisters in Maryland Cursillo?
Please indicate areas of interest listed below and return this application to:

PLEASE SCAN AND EMAIL THIS FORM TO:

MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com

Name _____ Date _____

E-mail _____ Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Which weekend did you attend? _____ Teams served (and roles)? _____

Music

- ___ Play a musical instrument.
What type(s) _____
- ___ Interested in serving on the music team for a weekend. (Must also submit an application)

Communications

- ___ Website Design and update
- ___ Assist with database management
- ___ Assist with Abrazo, brochure production
- ___ Assist with assembling and mailings
- ___ Write articles for the Abrazo
- ___ Bilingual, what language _____

Skill and Talent in weekend preparation

- ___ Team Shirts __ new team member ___ add on
- ___ Bake Communion Bread
- ___ Cord for wooden cross
- ___ Able make weekend buttons
- ___ Talent with design graphics, art.
- ___ Make beds on Thursday of weekend
- ___ Make Placemats

Assist on the Cursillo Weekend

- ___ Assist Core team over the weekend
(require staying on campus)
- ___ Assist set up for Agape
- ___ Assist clean up for Agape
- ___ Photographer for weekend photo
(requires standing on ladder)

Forth Day Workshop

- ___ Leadership team
- ___ Workshop team
- ___ Give a talk
- ___ Welcoming
- ___ Food set up and or clean up
- ___ Set up and or clean up
- ___ Lead music

Serve the Secretariat or Servant Community

- ___ Area Representative ___ Palanca Coordinator
- ___ Treasurer ___ 4th Day Representative
- ___ Comptroller ___ Music Coordinator
- ___ Secretary ___ Asst Lay Director ___
- ___ Stewardship
- ___ Pre Cursillo
- ___ Weekend Representative

Ultreya Support

- ___ Witness Speaker - List Ultreya(s)
- ___ Led an Ultreya - List Ultreya(s)
- ___ Lead music at an Ultreya

Other gifts or talents you are willing share with the Cursillo Community:

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Received by _____

Date _____



The Gift of Palanca!

Who can forget the overwhelming experience of getting your palanca on Friday afternoon? Whether it was in a paper bag, a plastic bag, a cloth bag, that bag brought gifts of love and prayer from strangers, family, team members, friends.

I made my weekend on MD 6, a long time ago in a very new Cursillo community. I was the only person from our church on the weekend. I knew no one on team. And I had had to carefully plan the time away from my difficult marriage. I knew I wanted to be there, but I was scared and lonely. Then the first night we were forbidden to talk to our roommates or anyone else. And it rained, and rained, and rained.

Friday was a blur. I think I took notes about the talks, but I can't tell you about them today. Then Friday afternoon, all of a sudden Chas were bringing each of us small, cloth bags. And we were told to open them. They were filled with letters and cards, a few from church friends, but almost all of them from strangers – strangers wishing me well, strangers who promised that they were praying for me, and strangers who were fasting for the weekend. I had never received such an outpouring of love. It was just the start of a life-changing weekend.

Bill and Lila Wenner and Jerry and Noreen Brastow took me under their wings. Bill White was a Cha and he made sure I was never alone. Fr. Dick Zumbrunnen ministered to me and prayed with me after Agape because I was desolate knowing that I was returning to an unchanged marriage.

Like most of you, I had experienced the very best of Christian community for a weekend, and it was life-changing. Since MD 6, I have served on several teams, each bringing a new Palanca bag. I have sorted through them often, sharing pencils, pens, gadgets, bracelets with others, and rereading the letters and notes. This past week, I decided it was time to try to tame the clutter in my overflowing office. In one box marked photos, I discovered several Palanca bags, one of which contained a collection of special Palanca.

There in my office, years away from Cursillo weekends, I felt the joy of my first Palanca bag and later bags on team. I had notes from Bill White, stamped with his famous red bow tie; notes from Dick and Tish Weise who have walked my Cursillo walk from the very beginning; notes from my children, my father, my sister, and my beloved husband, Dick; notes from rectors and team members; book marks and cards. There was a poem written by the 12-year old daughter of a fellow team member.

Palanca is the gift that keeps on giving. Take yours out from time to time and reread the notes and letters. Share the tchotchke with others to give them a taste of the joy shared at Cursillo. In the meantime, give some thought to writing palanca for the next weekend and the weekends that follow. Kind, prayerful words from strangers bring joy, strength, and hope to the new Cursillistas and team on every weekend.

Ultreya,

— Beth Ashby Mitchell, MD 6

Prayer Palanca Sent in Support of Other Weekends

Palanca was recently emailed to the following weekends for inclusion on their Palanca Wall. Please pray for these weekends. *Requests for weekend palanca can be sent to MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com*

Hampstead, NC – Coastal Carolina Men's Walk to Emmaus #111 (October 4-7)

Phoenix, Arizona – Men's Lutheran Cursillo #157 (October 4-7)

Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas – Sabine Creek Men's Tres Dias #23 (October 4-7)

North Central Ohio – Western Reserve Emmaus Women's Walk to Emmaus #52 (October 4-7)

North Indiana – Men's Walk to Emmaus #247 (October 4-7)

Phoenix, Arizona – Women's Lutheran Cursillo #158 (October 11-14)

Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas – Sabine Creek Women's Tres Dias #23 (October 11-14)

Hampstead, NC – Coastal Carolina Women's Walk to Emmaus #112 (October 18 - 21)

North Central Ohio – Western Reserve Emmaus Men's Walk to Emmaus #52 (October 25-28)

North Indiana – Women's Walk to Emmaus #248 (October 11-14)

Stuttgart, Germany – Women's Walk to Emmaus (November 8-11)



MARYLAND EPISCOPAL CURSILLO

2018 Annual Diocesan Ultreya & 4th Day Workshop

Cathedral of the Incarnate

4 East University Parkway, Baltimore, MD 21218 (Undercroft)

<http://incarnationbmore.org/>

Come Join Us !!

Saturday, SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

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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Metro South Area Rep	VACANT
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Music Coordinator	Chris Snead, MD 81
Pre-Cursillo Rep	VACANT
Weekend Coordinator	VACANT
Spiritual Advisor	Susan Oldfather+, MD 101

Monthly Ultreyas

1st Saturday, 6 PM

St. Thomas' Episcopal Church

1108 Providence Rd, Towson, MD 21286

Contact: Chris Snead, MD 81 csnead1034@aol.com

Barbara Lewis, MD 105 blewis711@gmail.com

Jim Stultz, MD 85 jimstultz@hotmail.com

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

Contact: Wadi Williams wwilliams@waeus.us

Kathy Skidmore-Williams rookujack@yahoo.com

4th Friday, 7:30 PM

St. James' Episcopal Parish

5757 Solomons Island Rd, Lothian, MD

Contact: Joe Carta jdcarta@hotmail.com

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

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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The Cursillo Method

Piety • Study • Action

Mark Your Calendar

2018 MEC Annual Diocesan Ultreya _____ **September 29, 2018**
All Cursillistas are invited to attend!
4th Day Workshop (10 a.m.)
MEC Annual Meeting & Ultreya (12 - 3 p.m.)
*Cathedral of the Incarnation
Baltimore, MD*

MEC Secretariat & Servant Community Meetings _____ **October 6, 2018**
All Cursillistas are invited to attend!
*St. Martin's-in-the-Field
Severna Park, MD*

MD Weekend 113 "Our God Reigns!" _____ **November 8-11, 2018**
The Bishop Claggett Center, Adamstown, MD
*Sponsor's Service
Las Mananitas
Clausura*
*November 8 - 7:30 p.m.
November 11 - 6:45 a.m.
November 11 - 3:45 p.m.*

MD Weekend 113 Reunion Ultreya & 4th Day Workshop _____ **To Be Announced**
All Cursillistas are invited to attend!
4th Day Workshop
Lunch
Ultreya
*To Be Announced
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
1 p.m.*

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

Make A Friend, Be A Friend, Bring A Friend To Christ