



# CURSILLO SOUNDS

## March 2014



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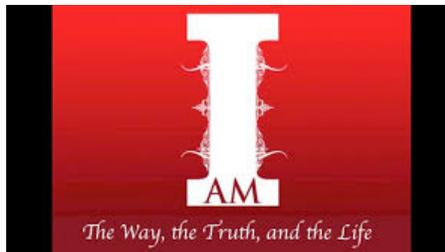
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### Rector's Letter to the 4th Day

#### CURSILLO #172



*Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14: 5-6)*

As we move into the final phase of preparation for Cursillo 172 here in South Carolina March 6-9<sup>th</sup>, I am reminded of the fact that in all of the years the Cursillo Movement has been active in the Episcopal Church in South Carolina, there has never been a weekend that failed. That is 171 weekends. And every one of them has been used by God in a powerful way to teach and touch His people. God has always been faithful to make His presence known in the hearts and minds, and sometimes bodies, of those who attended and those who served. I am confident that once again, the Holy Spirit will be with us and do His work as we allow Him to be Lord of our lives and Lord of Weekend 172. But we still need each and every one of you Cursillistas in South Carolina.

Cursillo is a movement of the church, lay and clergy, and is fueled by the Fire of the Holy Spirit through the prayer of the Saints. So, first of all, I ask for your consistent and faithful prayers as we prepare and especially as the weekend unfolds. Secondly, I ask for your prayers for Cursillo in the Diocese of South Carolina. This is a movement, a "gift of God" to us that has been life-changing for so very, very many people in our diocese. But God always asks us to partner with Him in building His Church. So it is important that we do not "drop the ball" in being His partners in the Cursillo movement in South Carolina. And this brings me to the third point: We need you to be active in this movement. More than ever, our diocese needs not only for people to have the Cursillo experience, but to move powerfully into their Fourth Day utilizing their own spiritual gifts for the building up of our local parishes AND our diocese. Cursillo is one of the very few ministries in our diocese that allows us and encourages us to fellowship outside of our local parishes with the greater Body of Christ, other like-minded Christians, in our diocese. The language of Cursillo is always "action-oriented", and we need to be purposely active in this God-inspired movement, not only in our parishes but *between* our parishes.

All of that said, I encourage each and every Cursillista in South Carolina to renew their commitment to action in the Cursillo Movement so that others can be raised up and encouraged by the "great cloud of witnesses" that surrounds them. Remember your Cursillo. Remember the joy and encouragement that came from people you did not even know sending you palanca, being there at your Clausura, supporting you. Pray for us, sponsor participants, and join us at the Clausura on March 9<sup>th</sup>.

Remember: **Make** a Friend, **Be** a Friend, **Bring** a Friend to Christ!

In Christ's Love,

Jackie Woodle, SC Episcopal Cursillo #108

Lay-Rector #172

cwaterway@aol.com

## Cursillo #172 Participants

Name	Parish	Ultryea	Sponsor
Connie Barnes	Epiphany, Eutawville	LM	Arlene Mandel
Michele Cisne	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	Marsha Brown
Ann Cowan	Holy Trinity, North Augusta	Upper	Julie Roberts
Jesse Davis	St George's, Summerville	BCD	Jim Gonnella
Marli Drum	Epiphany, Eutawville	LM	Rita Lupton
JD Dufresne	Epiphany, Eutawville	LM	John Vergere
Yvonne Duty	Resurrection, North Charleston	BCD	Charlotte Luton Burns
Joan Fancy	Resurrection, North Charleston	BCD	Charlotte Burns
Pat Gould	St Helena's, Beaufort	South	Diane King
Mike Holley	Holy Trinity, North Augusta	Upper	Wayne Lamberth
Jean Lockwood	St John's, John's Island	Islands	Susan Jenkins
John Lockwood	St John's, John's Island	Islands	Bubba Jenkins
Scott Lyon	St Mary Magdalene Anglican, Camden	ACNA	Bill Owens
Susan Lyon	St Mary Magdalene Anglican, Camden	ACNA	Amy Owens
Chris Olsen	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	Evelyn Musselwhite
Bob Olsen	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	Billy Musselwhite
Campbell Trippe	St Jude's, Walterboro	BCD	Joe Grange
Amanda Varn	Christ Church, Mt. Pleasant	EC	Kathy Nungesser
Mark Varn	Christ Church, Mt. Pleasant	EC	Mark Nungesser
Wen Wilson	Epiphany, Eutawville	LM	Deborah Vergere

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### WEEKEND SCHEDULE



Thurs., March 6 – Sun., March 9

*(All weekend activities take place at Camp St. Christopher.)*

Sunday, March 9

Wake-up - 5:30 AM  
Clausura – 2:30 PM

Saturday, March 22

Diocesan Ultryea  
All Saints, Florence

### PRAYER VIGIL

The BEST palanca that we saints can offer Weekend participants and team members is in the form of PRAYER, appealing to the Throne of Grace!

Dick and Mary Rife,  
4th Day Co-Commissioners,  
have organized a 4-day prayer vigil to cover Weekend #172. Please contact them at [bchmimi@aol.com](mailto:bchmimi@aol.com) to learn of open slots that need coverage.



*The prayer of a righteous man (or woman) is powerful and effective.  
(James 5:16)*

### Group Reunion

The Group Reunion is a small group (3 to 6) of Cursillo friends who meet on a regular basis. The purpose of this meeting is to share with one another the growth that has taken place within each of them.

*In a Group Reunion, we learn:*

- to share our spiritual life: (piety)
- to grow in the knowledge of Christ (study)
- and to prepare various methods of passing on to others what we have learned (action)

As we make attempts to bring Christ into our various environments, we will sometimes become frustrated. The Group Reunion provides the continual support we need in order to persevere as a part of God's plan. If there is no group near you, pray for God's help in beginning one.  
(From the website of French-Speaking Cursillo of Canada)

### ABOUT PALANCA

The Spanish word "Palanca" means "lever". In informal Spanish speech it is often said that someone who has influence has "palanca". As for us Christians, the only real influence we can expect to have in the religious life of our friends, the participants on a Weekend, is through prayer. Prayer is the ultimate palanca. Perhaps the most effective palanca we can give to a participant is a short, loving note which says, for instance, that we are praying or fasting for that person as he lives through the Weekend. Please save any gifts that you might wish to give to your participant friends for their return. Only those small items that fit into a business size envelope are desired by the Palanca Chas.

## Cursillo #172 Team

SERVANT ROLE	TEAM MEMBER	PARISH	ULTREYA	ROLLO
Rector	Jackie Woodle	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	15. Ultreya
Observing	Tom Acker	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	14. Reunion
Head Spiritual Advisor	Fr. Tom Hendrickson	Epiphany, Eutawville	LM	7. Sacraments
Spiritual Advisor	Fr. Rob Hartley**	Holy Trinity, North Augusta	Upper	4. Faith
Spiritual Advisor	Dcn Mike Sheedy	Redeemer/St. Pauls, Orangeburg	LM	2. Grace
Camp Coordinator	Bill Lyles	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	
Techno Cha	Gerry Wallace*	Kingston Presbyterian Church, Conway		10. Leaders
Head Music Cha	Fr. Tom Woodle	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
Music Cha	Fr. Ted McNabb	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	1. Ideal
Music Cha	Debbie Hamilton*	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
Head Palanca Cha	Mary Rife	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	3. Laity
Palanca Cha	Terry Hendrickson	Epiphany, Eutawville	LM	
Palanca Cha	Duval Acker	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	
Palanca Cha	Vicki Sheedy	Redeemer/St. Pauls, Orangeburg	LM	14. Christian Community
Head Table Cha	Sharon Ackerman	St. Jude's, Walterboro	BCD	13. Environments
Table Cha	Dick Rife	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	6. Study
Table Cha	Jeannie Lyles	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	8. Action
Table Cha	Brad Ackerman	St. Jude's, Walterboro	BCD	
Table Cha	Tom Winslow	Prince George, Georgetown	GS	5. Piety
Head Table Facilitator	Sheila Sulak	Church of The Cross, Bluffton	South	
Head Table Facilitator	Steve Jones*	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
Table Facilitator	Carolyn Jones*	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
Table Facilitator	Amber Wallace *	St Paul's, Conway	GS	
Table Facilitator	<b>Ron Hamilton *</b>	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
Table Facilitator	Dusty Duke*	Church of The Cross, Bluffton	South	
Crosses	David Harrison			
Lanyards	Susie DaSilva	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
Agape Dinner	Ellen Childers	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
	Elaine Crafton	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
	Kathy Hamilton	St. Paul's Conway	GS	
	Sue Harrison	St. Paul's Conway	GS	
	Penny Crawford	Grace Parish	GS	
	Bill Childers	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
	Glenn Ohanesian	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
	Karolan Ohanesian	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
	Jani Richardson	The Well By The Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
	Jacquelyn Wiley	St. Paul's Conway	GS	
Clausara-ULTREYA	Katherine Monroe	Holy Comforter, Sumter	Santee	
Clausara-Group Reunion	Carey Freeland	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	
				* First time on team
				** First time on team in SC

# ULTREYA! ULTREYA! ULTREYA!

## DIOCESAN ULTREYA

*All Saints, Florence*  
**SATURDAY March 22, 2014**



- 9:00 AM Welcome, coffee, juice, and munchies
- 9:30 AM -Fourth Day Seminar (New Cursillistas and #172 Cursillo Rector)  
-Weekend Commission Meeting  
-Fourth Day Commission-Ultreya Rectors' Meeting  
-Pre-Cursillo Meeting  
-Fourth Day Refreshment (Veteran Cursillistas)
- 10:30 AM Secretariat Viewing of upcoming teams (Secretariat Representatives Only)
- 11:00 AM Reunion Groups
- 11:30 AM Eucharist
- 12:30 PM Lunch and Ultreya Meeting (Combined with Diocesan Ultreya Meeting)
- 2:00-3:00PM Secretariat Business Meeting (or immediately following the Ultreya) (Open to all who wish to sit in and listen.)

Cost of lunch \$6.00, payable at the door. RSVP to Tina Lamb at [tinalamb@allsaintsflorence.org](mailto:tinalamb@allsaintsflorence.org) or 843-662-7061 by **Wednesday, March 19th.**

## DIRECTIONS

### All Saints

**1425 Cherokee Road, Florence, SC 29501**

[MAP](#)

#### From Charleston

Take I-26 to I-95, exit I-95 at Exit 160A to I-20 Spur toward Florence. Take US-76, turning right at W. Cherokee Road. 1425 Cherokee Road is on the right.

#### From Hilton Head

I-95 to Florence, continue as above.

#### From Myrtle Beach

US-501 N taking slight left to SC-576W; slight left to US-76W; left to US-52 Irby Street.; right to W. Cherokee Road. 1425 Cherokee Road is on the right.

## FROM THE BISHOP'S CLERGY REPRESENTATIVE

Fr. Tom Woodle

# DECOLORES!

March 6th-9th The Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina will hold the 172nd Cursillo Weekend in this diocese. Take a moment and think about exactly what that means. In the previous 171 Cursillo Weekends, roughly 4300 participants have gone through Cursillo in our diocese. You were probably one of them. Some have moved from our area and others have gone home to be with the Lord. But my guess is that most of those 4300 still live in this diocese. That's a large percentage of the parish membership here.

Now, take a moment and think about YOUR Cursillo Weekend. Of course there are some who might not have been particularly moved by the weekend and others who might not have liked it at all. But once again, my guess is that the overwhelming majority of Cursillistas in this diocese found their Cursillo to be a wonderful experience, a mountaintop experience, maybe even life-changing. And, I would bet, given the fact that you are reading this "epistle", you are one of the ones who was touched deeply by this four-day weekend when you were called apart, to live in Christian Community and be with Jesus in a special way. I have some wonderful news for you. Your Cursillo is not over, nor has the power of God to move in your life through Cursillo diminished.

The Cursillo Movement reflects the nature of the Christian Church. The nature of the church is to go out, seek the lost, bring them to Christ and then nourish and support them, thereby growing the Body of Christ, edifying the church and bringing glory to God. Our own Cursillo Weekend was not an end, but a beginning....a beginning of a greater and more intimate knowledge of Father, the beginning of greater and more powerful service in the local parish, the beginning of "passing on" to others the experience and support given us, often by total strangers, in our Cursillo experience. Jesus lives in the Cursillo Movement in South Carolina and you are His partner. We have often heard that we are Jesus' hands, feet, eyes and voice in this broken world. Somewhere in your Cursillo Weekend you heard the words, "Christ is counting on you." He still is. He lives to reach out through you in supporting those who are attending a Cursillo Weekend or who need to attend a weekend. He counts on you to engage people in your local parish, to sponsor them and help them along in their Fourth Day. He counts on you to pray for each and every weekend, to send Palanca, even to those you don't know. Someone did it for you, if you remember. And, you probably remember how powerful it was to think that people who did not even know you were praying for you and taking the time to write you.

I remember my own Cursillo Weekend at 103 here in South Carolina. Back then, we held Clausura on James Island and when we pulled up to the church, God struck me with the worst case of Cursillo Stupidity I have ever known. I saw all of the cars in the parking lot and said to someone, "They must be having a conference here or something", never even thinking that all of those people were there for ME! When I walked into the church, it moved me beyond words to know that people had taken time out of their busy schedules, time from their Sunday afternoon off, and in some cases driven long distances just to be there for me. People I didn't even know! Do you remember that feeling? How blessed is it for us to go up to participants at a Clausura and be able to say, "You don't know me, but I've been praying for you and I am here for you today!" This is the love of God and the love for His Kingdom acting itself out through each one of us! And it makes a difference in the lives of those who experience that love coming from Jesus through you. It helps restore faith in the Church as the Body of Christ. It makes a difference in the Kingdom of God. YOU make a difference!

Christ is counting on you. And so are we, the Body of Christ in the Cursillo Movement in South Carolina. Be engaged, be active, be Christ's hands, feet, eyes and voice to those who are now following you on the Cursillo path. You have cut the path for them to follow. Continue to be their friend on the journey. Continue to respond to Christ's call to you to be His instrument of love. As one of the original contemporary Christian songs said back in 1973, "Use your own two hands....with one reach out to Jesus, and with the other, bring a friend."

I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at the Clausura on March 9th. ULTREYA!!!

Fr. Tom

# **PLEASE MAKE YOUR ANNUAL GIFT!!!**

## **The Joy of Giving**

*"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21*

God's grace and love is a free gift to us, and many of us found and accepted His gift on a Cursillo weekend. So that no one is held back from finding God's gift by the cost of a weekend, the Secretariat has given the gift of a Cursillo weekend to all Cursillo candidates, after their initial \$50 registration fee has been paid. This worthy idea and goal is called "The Joy of Giving" (JOG), and is working well in several other Dioceses.

We will need to raise money on an annual basis to make this happen, and this is where you come in. The Secretariat has approved asking each Cursillista in this Diocese to contribute \$100, or more, if possible. To be able to pay for this weekend and begin preparing for upcoming 2014 weekends, if you have not already done so, we are asking you to send your 2014 contribution as soon as possible to our Treasurer (address below) marking JOG on your check. If \$100 is too much for you to contribute at one time, several smaller contributions through the year will be gratefully received.

Remembering the life-changing weekend that Cursillo was for you, know what a joy and blessing it will be for others to receive, and how the number of Jesus' disciples on earth will be increased.

Thank you so much for considering a financial donation.

The "Joy of Giving" Committee

To donate, please make your check out to "Cursillos in Christianity", earmarking it "JOG", and mail it to:

Ms. Elisabeth Tezza Simmonite  
Diocesan Cursillo Treasurer  
2220 Atlantic Avenue,  
Sullivan's Island, SC 29482



### **THE GREAT COMMISSION**

*Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)*

***Make a friend.***

***Be a friend.***

***Bring a friend to Christ***

# Make a Joyful Noise!



DeColores, Everyone!

Just wanted to bring you all up to date on what has been going on with the Music Commission.

First, I want to encourage everyone who has musical talent to contact me at [maryaquino1@yahoo.com](mailto:maryaquino1@yahoo.com) and update your information. I'd love to know what instruments you play/sing, where you worship, and any special scenarios you may have (for example, if you are a school teacher and can only serve during the summer months). It would be wonderful to have a clear picture of whom we've got as potential music chas along with contact information for each and every one of you.

Another encouragement, too: Clausura is for ALL of us! ALL musicians are invited to come and play. It is important to worship God in song as well as in spoken word. Mark your calendars for each of the upcoming Clausuras (March 9; July 13; October 19) and BRING YOUR INSTRUMENTS! We want to see you. Head Music Chas – it is up to you to make those coming to play at Clausura feel welcome. It is the Cursillo way – all may, some will, none must.

I have been working on an addendum to the existing music book, and it is ready to use. Included are songs played on contemporary Christian radio stations from 2000 to the present. As this is to be a "living" document, it is on a DVD and will be updated frequently. If you are an upcoming Head Music Cha and would like a copy, please get in touch with me, and I will mail you a DVD. As much as possible, each song contains a lead sheet (treble clef notation with chords above the clef), a chord sheet (lyrics and chords) and just lyrics, all taken from CCLI. My hope is to someday include Power Point presentations for each song but I'm not quite there yet. The artists range from Casting Crowns to Kutless, Matt Maher to Jeremy Camp, Third Day to David Crowder. If you receive a copy of the disc and think of other songs you'd like to see included, please let me know directly.

I join you in praying for the upcoming weekends – I know the Holy Spirit will walk alongside each team member and participant as the weekend unfolds.

Please contact me with any thoughts you have regarding the Music Commission, or to update your information.

***Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. (Psalm 95:1)***

Mary Aquino-Cooper, #147/#171  
Music Commission



**Cursillo Sounds**  
**Diocese of South Carolina**  
**129 Cooper River Road**  
**Surfside Beach, SC 29588**



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**UPCOMING WEEKENDS**

<u>Week-end</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Lay Rector or location</u>	<u>Ultreya Date</u>	<u>Ultreya Location</u>
#173	Jul. 10 - 13, 2014	Tom Acker	Jul. 26, 2014	TBA
#174	Oct. 9 - 12, 2014	Brenda Gonnella	Oct. 25, 2014	TBA
#175	Spring 2015 (TBA)	Jim Huntley	TBA	TBA

**DO YOU WISH TO ROUTINELY RECEIVE A MAILED HARDCOPY OF THE CURSILLO SOUNDS?**

The Secretariat has voted to execute a diocesan-wide mailing of *The Cursillo Sounds* once a year during the spring quarter. For the sake of good stewardship, hardcopies will be mailed in the summer, fall, and winter quarters **BY WRITTEN REQUEST ONLY**. Otherwise, *The Sounds* will be distributed via e-mail. If you wish to be added to the e-mail distribution list, please send your address to [sounds@scursillo.com](mailto:sounds@scursillo.com).

*If you wish to receive hard copies in the mail for the summer, fall, and winter issues, please mail the slip below to Jim Ewing along with any Postage Palanca that you are led to contribute. Checks are payable to "Cursillos in Christianity". You may also request mailed hardcopies and/or update your e-mail with Jim Ewing at [celevel@aol.com](mailto:celevel@aol.com).*

**REQUEST FOR MAILED COPY OF THE CURSILLO SOUNDS**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ My Ultreya: \_\_\_\_\_ My Cursillo # \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: Jim Ewing, 129 Cooper River Road, Surfside Beach, SC 29588**