



CURSILLO SOUNDS

June 2014



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Rector's Letter to the 4th Day CURSILLO #173



Greetings and salutations! It's really exciting to be part of the incredible Team that The Lord has assembled for Cursillo #173! Our Scripture verse for Cursillo #173 is John 4:23: "True worshippers will worship the Father in Spirit and in Truth, for they are the kind of worshippers the Father seeks." The theme of Cursillo #173 is "**Worship**" and our Saint is **John the Apostle**, son of Zebedee.

Let me ask the question, "What is worship?" The dictionary defines worship (an old English word) as *worth ship*: worthy of high honor, value, reverence and devotion – intense love and adoration for God. Our God is certainly deserving of our highest worship, but how do we worship in Spirit and in Truth?

Jesus said, "I am the Truth," and "no one comes to the Father except by me." When Jesus ascended into heaven, He sent the Holy Spirit to live within believers. The Holy Spirit bears witness to Jesus, and through everything, points to Jesus.

So, who is the Father? One of the earliest names for God the Father is "*Elohim*". Jesus used a form of "*Elohim*" from the cross when He said, "Eloi, Eloi, Lama Sabachtani", meaning "Father, why have You forsaken Me?", when the full weight of the world's sin fell on Him there on the cross.

The Bible Dictionary says that "*Elohim*" is plural in form, but singular in construction. To me, that means one triune God. Abraham, Issac and Jacob used the name "El Shaddai", which means "Almighty God." Then, there is the unpronounceable name that is too holy to speak out loud: YHWH or YAHWEH as we know it. YAHWEH is translated as "Adonai", "Jehovah", or written "LORD" (all caps). YAHWEH is the Self-Existing One – He is because He is, the "Great I AM". All things come from Him; He requires nothing. He takes not an inward breath; He only breathes outwardly.

Let me relate all this to Cursillo. I've heard many people share how Cursillo changed their lives, and it is true that Cursillo is a mighty tool that the Lord uses to bring people into a closer relationship with Himself – yet, it is **Jesus** who changes lives.

Therefore, this short course in Christianity that is the Cursillo #173 three-day weekend is all about worshipping Jesus. We worship with piety, we hear His Word through study, and we demonstrate His love in our action. The Cursillo weekend, and even more, the Fourth Day after it, are a call to action, through prayer and praise. We invite you all to honor and adore Him with us who is Lord and Savior with us during Cursillo #173. Please join us at Clausura to worship and celebrate His eternal love on July 13, 2014 at 2:30PM. We will see you there!

Blessings of God's peace to you all,

Tom Acker
Lay Rector Cursillo #173
acker1018@yahoo.com

Cursillo #173 Participants

Name	Parish	Ultraya	Sponsor
Brenda Boensch	St Andrew's, Mt. Pleasant	EC	Frank Boensch
Margaret Boensch	St Andrew's, Mt. Pleasant	EC	Sarah Boensch
Michael Boensch	St Andrew's, Mt. Pleasant	EC	Frank Boensch
Deb Brooks	Trinity, Edisto Island	Islands	Elaine Hampton
Keith Brooks	Trinity, Edisto Island	Islands	Richard Hampton
Bettie Clark	St Michael's, Charleston	CWA	Duval Acker
Erica Covington	All Saints, Florence	PD	Nancy Lewis
Skyler Covington	All Saints, Florence	PD	Cliff Lewis
Harry Ervine	St Michael's, Charleston	CWA	Tom Acker
Marty Ervine	St Michael's, Charleston	CWA	Duval Acker
Miriam Fulghum	All Saints, Florence	PD	Elizabeth Phillips
Steve Fulghum	All Saints, Florence	PD	David Phillips
Lonnie Gaskins	All Saints, Florence	PD	Iris Hodge
Lauren Gaskins	All Saints, Florence	PD	Iris Hodge
Reese Havens	St Michael's, Charleston	CWA	Truman Kemp
Patty Kolp	Holy Comforter, Sumter	Santee	Lori Grimm
Crystal Kornickey	St Michael's, Charleston	CWA	Ann Beauchamp
Trish Lawrence	St Michael's, Charleston	CWA	Lynn Lawrence
Newman Lawrence	St Michael's, Charleston	CWA	Lynn Lawrence
Cathy Mulloy	Holy Comforter, Sumter	Santee	Linda Wilder
BJ Phillips	The Well by the Sea, Myrtle Beach	GSN	Evelyn Ewing
Gary Phillips	The Well by the Sea, Myrtle Beach	GSN	James Ewing
Kelley Stowe	St Andrew's, Charleston	CWA	Jill Poplawski

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 #173. Please contact them at 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)

#173

WEEKEND SCHEDULE



Thurs., July 10 – Sun., July 13

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

Sunday, July 13

Wake-up - 5:30 AM

Clausura – 2:30 PM

Saturday, July 26

Diocesan Ultraya

Cathedral of St. Luke and St. Paul, Charleston

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 #173 Team







SERVANT ROLE	TEAM MEMBER	PARISH	ULTREYA	ROLLO
Rector	Tom Acker	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	15. Ultreya
Observing Rector	Brenda Gonnella	Church of the Resurrection, N. Charleston	BDC	14. Group Reunion
Head Spiritual Advisor	The Rev. Jason Collins	St. Paul's , Conway	GS	2. Grace 4. Faith
Spiritual Advisor	*The Rev. Rob Kunes	Christ –St. Paul's, Yorges Island	Islands	7. Sacraments
Spiritual Advisor	The Rev. Karl Burns	All Saints, Florence	PD	9. Obstacles to a Life of Grace 12. Christian Life in Grace
Camp Coordinator	Frank Kirk	Trinity, Edisto Island	Islands	
Techno Cha	Jim Ewing	The Well by the Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	
Head Music Cha	Joanna Macmurphy	St. Philip's, Charleston	CWA	
Music Cha	Liz Hilton	The Cathedral of St. Luke & St. Paul, Chas.	CWA	
Head Palanca Cha	Lindy Kirk	Trinity, Edisto Island	Islands	
Palanca Cha	Barbara Hollimon	All Saints, Florence	PD	
Palanca Cha	Ann Beauchamp	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	1. Ideal
Palanca Cha	Evelyn Ewing	The Well by the Sea, Myrtle Beach	GS	5. Piety
Palanca Cha	*Kathy Meinzer	St. George's, Summerville	BCD	3. Laity
Palanca Cha	*Chris Sosnowski	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	
Head Table Cha	Jim Gonnella	Church of the Resurrection, N. Charleston	BCD	
Table Cha	Susan Burns	All Saints, Florence	PD	
Table Cha	Lynelle Jensen	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	8. Action
Table Cha	*Victoria Schmitt	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	
Table Cha	*Diane King	St. Helena's, Beaufort	South	
Table Cha	*John Macmurphy	St. Philip's, Charleston	CWA	
Head Table Facilitator	Charlie Jensen	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	11. Environments
Table Facilitator	*Catherine Jones	St. Philip's, Charleston	CWA	13. Christian Community
Table Facilitator	*Sallie Bridgwater	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	
Table Facilitator	*Kathleen Sheil	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	
Table Facilitator	Gene Scarborough	Epiphany, Eutawville	LM	6. Study
Table Facilitator	Jim Burns	Church of the Resurrection, N. Charleston	BCD	10. Leadership
Floater	Duval Acker	St. Michael's, Charleston	CWA	
Altar Guild	Evelyn Ewing			
Altar Guild	Lynelle Jensen			
Calligraphy	Mary Rife			
Crosses	Tom Acker			* First time on team
Lanyards	Duval Acker			** First time on team in SC
Agape Dinner	Eunice Logan			
Special Assistant to the Weekend Rector	Michaela Gonnella			

“Do not waste time bothering whether you “love” your neighbor; act as if you did. As soon as we do this we find one of the great secrets. When you are behaving as if you loved someone you will presently come to love him.” C.S. Lewis

ULTREYA! ULTREYA! ULTREYA!

DIOCESAN ULTREYA

Cathedral of St. Luke and St. Paul, Charleston
SATURDAY July 26, 2014

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- 9:00 AM Welcome, coffee, juice, and munchies
- 9:30 AM -Fourth Day Seminar (New Cursillistas and #173 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 PM 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 \$7.00, payable at the door. RSVP to Sunny Walker at smwdok@aol.com or 843-384-4741 by **Wednesday, July 23rd.**

DIRECTIONS

The Cathedral of St. Luke and St. Paul

126 Coming St, Charleston, SC 29403

[MAP](#)

From Myrtle Beach: Hwy 17 South. After crossing Ravenel Bridge, keep left at fork toward Savannah. Get into the right lane and follow signs to King St. Merge onto Carolina St. Turn right onto King St. Turn right onto Vanderhorst St. Take the second right onto Coming St.

From I-26: Take the King St. exit and follow directions above.

From Beaufort: Cross the Ashley River Bridge on Hwy 17 N. Where the road bends left toward 1-26, turn right onto Wescott St./Wescott Ct. Turn left onto Cannon St. Turn right onto Rutledge Ave. Turn left onto Vanderhorst St. Take the 3rd left onto Coming St.

PARKING:

1. The parking lot across from The Cathedral
2. The parking lot on Vanderhorst Street behind The Cathedral
3. The parking garage St. Philip's Street a block over from The Cathedral

FROM THE BISHOP'S CLERGY REPRESENTATIVE

Fr. Tom Woodle

DECOLORES!

As the Cursillo Movement in the Diocese of South Carolina begins to grow again, I am excited and encouraged by the number of sponsors and applications for participants that are beginning to come in. There is no doubt in my mind that God has and is continuing to bless individuals, families and parishes through Cursillo in this diocese. I believe that it is important for all of us to remember that Cursillo is not an "initiative" but more accurately, a "response" to what God is already doing in our Church. Cursillo is a tool in His hand, that is utilized by Him, through His people in Cursillo, to renew, strengthen and bless participants, who return to their Fourth Day in their parishes to renew, strengthen and bless others. We should not dare to neglect such a great gift as the one that has been given to us through Cursillo.

It is my hope that you will all continue to pray daily for the Cursillo Movement in our diocese, that we all will be faithful, strong, focused on Christ and diligent in our service. It is also my hope that everyone reading this will sense the renewal of the spark of the Spirit from your own Cursillo Weekend, and that you will remember that Cursillo is not just a weekend, but a life. Encourage others to consider a Cursillo Weekend, sponsor participants and be active in your own Fourth Day community. There is no doubt in my mind that God's pleasure flows through Cursillo and I invite you to stay in the class V rapids that flow from God's heart through Cursillo in the Diocese of South Carolina.

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

Immanuel

Charles Haddon Spurgeon (1834-1892)

When once I mourned a load of sin;
When conscience felt a wound within;
When all my works were thrown away;
When on my knees I knelt to pray,
Then, blissful hour, remembered well,
I learned Thy love, Immanuel.

When storms of sorrow toss my soul;
When waves of care around me roll;
When comforts sink, when joys shall flee;
When hopeless griefs shall gape for me,
One word the tempest's rage shall quell--
That word, Thy name, Immanuel.

When for the truth I suffer shame;
When foes pour scandal on my name;
When cruel taunts and jeers abound;
When "Bulls of Bashan" gird me round,
Secure within Thy tower I'll dwell--
That tower, Thy grace, Immanuel.

When hell enraged lifts up her roar;
When Satan stops my path before;
When fiends rejoice and wait my end;
When legioned hosts their arrows send,
Fear not, my soul, but hurl at hell
Thy battle-cry, Immanuel.

When down the hill of life I go;
When o'er my feet death's waters flow;
When in the deep'ning flood I sink;
When friends stand weeping on the brink,
I'll mingle with my last farewell
Thy lovely name, Immanuel.

When tears are banished from mine eye;
When fairer worlds than these are nigh;
When heaven shall fill my ravished sight;
When I shall bathe in sweet delight,
One joy all joys shall far excel,
To see Thy face, Immanuel.



UPCOMING WEEKENDS

<u>Week-end</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Lay Rector or location</u>	<u>Ultreya Date</u>	<u>Ultreya Location</u>
#174	Oct. 16 - 19, 2014	Brenda Gonnella	Nov. 1, 2014	TBA
Winter Retreat	Jan. 30 – Feb. 1, 2015	Camp St. Christopher		
#175	March 19 – 22, 2015	Jim Huntley	April 4, 2015	TBA
#176	July 23-26, 2015	Katie Clarkson	Aug. 1, 2015	TBA
#177	Oct. 22-25, 2015	Rob Shelton	Nov. 7, 2015	TBA

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

The Secretariat has voted to execute a diocesan-wide US post 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 and website. If you wish to be added to the e-mail distribution list, please send your address to 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.

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