



CURSILLO SOUNDS

Diocese of SC April 2012



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Rector's Letter to the 4th Day CURSILLO #166



“Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.”
[Ephesians 6:11-12 (ESV)]

Last year, as I was studying for an Alpha course lesson, the verse above literally jumped off the page at me. Paul’s words give us exactly the instructions we need. Even though I had studied this several times, I had not really thought about how much Cursillo equips us. The Cursillo experience is additional armor readily available to all of us. First, the 3-day weekend helps us to recognize that we do not enter this battle alone. Second, the structure of the weekend with meditations, rollos, church services and discussions, in which we participate corporately and individually, prepares us to stand more firmly in our faith as we do battle for Jesus. Next, the weekend brings us to the realization that we are soldiers, too; that there is work to be done. While we may not yet know what our “orders” in this battle will be, by using the armor given us, we will be better prepared to forge ahead in God’s army. As Paul names each piece of armor, we can see that equivalent parts of the weekend convey truth, righteousness, readiness for the gospel of peace, faith, salvation and the Holy Spirit.

Entering and living the 4th Day continues to fortify us daily to live as better Christians. The accountability, prayers and fellowship of reunion groups are more pieces of armor that strengthen us.

We must participate in reunion groups, Ultreyas, diocesan and local, Clausuras and Cursillo retreats: all corporate efforts that can be effective in protecting and fortifying us against the schemes of the devil.

As active Cursillistas, we will be seen by our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ as having a new strength/armor. With God our Father’s love around us, Jesus beside us and the Holy Spirit in us, we know that this armor is not heavy.

Please pray for weekend #166 and plan on attending the Clausura to welcome the new Cursillistas to the 4th day.

ULTREYA!

Sue Harrison
Weekend Rector #166
sharrison77@gmail.com

Cursillo #166 Participants

Called	Last Name	Parish	Sponsor
Kimberly	Allston	Christ- St. Paul's, Younges Is.	Kristine Sires
Randy	Allston	Christ- St. Paul's, Younges Is.	Ashley Sires
Debie	Carignan	St. George's, Summerville	Brenda Gonnella
Jim	Carignan	St. George's, Summerville	James Gonnella
Teri	Favata	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	Rose Clayton
Bob	James	St. Helena's, Beaufort	Robert Merchant
Rachel	James	St. Helena's, Beaufort	Theresa Merchant
Alan	Johnson	St. George's, Summerville	Michelle Kidd
Carolyn	Jones	The Well, Myrtle Beach	Jackie Woodle
Steve	Jones	The Well, Myrtle Beach	Jackie Woodle
Dorothy	Kitchens	Christ- St. Paul's, Younges Is.	Martha Graves
Scott	Kitchens	Christ- St. Paul's, Younges Is.	Gerry Graves
Katrena	Luoni	St. George's, Summerville	Brenda Gonella
Greta	Maddox	St. Helena's, Beaufort	Theresa Merchant
Ron	Maddox	St. Helena's, Beaufort	Robert Merchant
Cris	Morris	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	Sheila Sulak
Jack	Morris	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	Robert Kerdasha
Mary	Prince	Christ- St. Paul's, Younges Is.	Sue Winder
Patrick	Prince	Christ- St. Paul's, Younges Is.	Stan Winder
Justin	Sams	St. George's, Summerville	John Chaconas
Paul	Strickland	St. George's, Summerville	James Gonnella
Tracy	Strickland	St. George's, Summerville	Brenda Gonnella
Janet	Sulak-Mehlinger	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	Carol Sulak
Janie	Talbert	St. Paul's, Conway	Sue Harrison
Marian	Tarcen	Christ- St. Paul's, Younges Is.	Julie Moyles
Mercy	Zubizarreta	St. George's, Summerville	Charlotte Luton

#166

WEEKEND SCHEDULE



Thurs., April 19 – Sun., April 22
(All weekend activities take place at Camp St. Christopher.)

Sunday, April 22
Wake-up - 5:30 AM
Clausura – 2:30 PM

Saturday, May. 5
Diocesan Ultreya
The Well by the Sea,
Myrtle Beach

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 #166. 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)

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Palanca Sources

<http://www.palancagifts.com>

<http://www.palancaindustries.com>

<http://iprayedforyoutoday.com/category/notecards/>

St. Michael's Saints Alive Book Store

Charleston * 843-725-548

The SC Cursillo website has been suspended for a season.

Please contact your Ultreya Lay Rector for information.

Cursillo #166 Team

SERVANT ROLE	TEAM MEMBER	PARISH	ULTREYA	ROLLO
Rector	Sue Harrison	St. Paul's, Conway	GSN	15. Ultreya
Observing	Theresa Merchant	St. Helena's, Beaufort	South	14. Reunion
Head Spiritual Advisor	Fr. Tripp Jeffords	St. Paul's, Conway	GSN	#7 Sacraments
Spiritual Advisor	Fr. Robert Horn	Holy Trinity, Ridgeland	South	#2 Grace,#9 Obstacles to Grace
Spiritual Advisor	Deacon Martha Horn	Holy Trinity, Ridgeland	South	#4 Faith,#12 Christian Life
Camp Coordinator	Judy McMeekin	Resurrection, Surfside	GSN	#5 Piety
Head Music Cha	Terry Strong	St. Paul's, Conway	GSN	
Music Cha	Ellen Freeman	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	
Music Cha	Mary Aquino	The Well, Myrtle Beach	GSN	
Music Cha	Fran Humphries	St. Paul's, Conway	GSN	
Co-Head Palanca Cha	Carol Chaconas	St. George, Summerville	BCD	#1 Ideal
	John Chaconas	St. George, Summerville	BCD	
Palanca Cha	Jim Burns*	St. George, Summerville	BCD	
	Michelle Kidd*	St. George, Summerville	BCD	#3 Laity
	Katie Gibson*	Church of the Good Shepherd, Charleston	CWA	
Co-Head Table Cha	Trish Collins	St. Paul's, Bennettsville	PeeDee	
	Woody Collins	St. Paul's, Bennettsville	PeeDee	
Table Cha	Evelyn Ewing	The Well, Myrtle Beach	GSN	#11 Environments
	Rob Merchant	St. Helena's, Beaufort	South	
	Sheri Boyles*	Holy Trinity, Ridgeland	South	
Head Table Facilitator	Penny Crawford	St. Stephen's, North Myrtle Beach	GSN	#13 Christian Community in Action
Table Facilitator	Jacquelyn Wiley	St. Paul's, Conway	GSN	
	Carol Pierce	St. Andrew's, Mt. Pleasant	EC	#8 Action
	Catherine "Kits" Jones	Church of the Good Shepherd, Charleston	CWA	
	Charlotte Luton*	St. George, Summerville	BCD	#6 Study
Float Facilitator/Cha	Jackie Woodle	The Well, Myrtle Beach	GSN	
Techno Cha	Jim Ewing	The Well, Myrtle Beach	GSN	#10 Leaders
Crosses	Mike Ferguson	St. Paul's, Conway	GSN	
Lanyards	Jane Holly Wilson	St. Paul's, Conway	GSN	
Agape Dinner			GSN	
Clausara-ULTREYA	Don Freeland	Church of the Cross, Bluffton	South	
Clausara-Group Reunion	Katie Clarkson	St. Matthew's, Fort Motte	Lake Marion	
				<i>* First time on team</i>
				<i>** First time on team in SC</i>

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. Kindly do not send food or drinks to camp as personal palanca.

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DIOCESAN ULTREYA

The Well by the Sea, Myrtle Beach
SATURDAY, May 5, 2012

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- 9:00 AM Welcome, coffee, juice, and munchies
- 9:30 AM -Fourth Day Seminar (New Cursillistas and #166 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. Please make lunch reservations with Mary Rife at bch4thday@aol.com or 843-385-6885 **no later than May 1, 2012.**

Directions to The Well By the Sea: 4015-A Belle Terre Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

From Myrtle Beach:

Take Hwy 501 West toward Conway. After crossing the Intracoastal Waterway, look for the "Forestbrook Road/Dick Scobee Road/Fantasy Harbor" Exit. Take this exit. At the bottom of the ramp, take a left onto Forestbrook Road. Immediately get into the right lane. Go 1/10 of a mile and take a right onto Belle Terre Blvd. You will go around an "S" curve, past the Food Lion. The church will be the third building on the left around the last curve. Ample parking is in back of the building.

From Conway:

Take Hwy 501 East toward Myrtle Beach. After passing Carolina Forest, take the Hwy 31/Forestbrook Road/Dick Scobee Road Exit. After getting on the exit road, stay in the left lane and go on past the Hwy 31 exit. Passing Hwy 31, get into the right lane and take the Fantasy Harbor/Forestbrook Road/Dick Scobee Road exit. At the light at the bottom of the ramp, take a right onto Forestbrook. At the next light (1/10 of a mile) take a right onto Belle Terre Blvd. Go past the Food Lion and around the curve. The church will be the third building on the left after the last curve.

From Surfside Beach/Garden City/Georgetown:

Take Hwy 17 Bypass North. After passing the "Back Gate" at Farrow Parkway (to Market Common), stay in the right lane. Take the Harrelson Blvd/Airport exit. Get in left lane and at the top of the ramp take a left toward Fantasy Harbor. Go to the second light (past the old Hard Rock Park on the right). Take a left onto Fantasy Harbor Blvd. At the next light, go straight across Forestbrook Road. This becomes Belle Terre Blvd. Go past the Food Lion on the left and around the "S" curve. Church will be third building on the left after the "S" curve.

FROM THE DIOCESAN LAY COORDINATOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

If I have learned anything this past year, it is to never, ever doubt the amazing life God has in store for His children. As a Community, we successfully weathered a financial crisis, and at the recent Cursillo Retreat, we set into motion a plan to move toward the future as better stewards of all of God's resources.

I have listened to (and heard) many suggestions on how to make Cursillo better by encouraging more young adult participation, updating the music, making adjustments to the weekend, and even shutting up and listening better. These are all good and valuable contributions to the health and welfare of the Community and bode well for expanding God's Kingdom in the Lowcountry and beyond through an energized and thriving Cursillo Community.

How can the vision of an energized SC Cursillo Community become a reality? First, with **people power** to expand the base of the Cursillo volunteers and to lift the weight from the shoulders of a core group who have served faithfully year after year. Please PRAY that God will blow His Ruach Spirit throughout the SC Cursillo Community to awaken a broad and burning desire to serve Him in this ministry. Please ask God to show **you** how you can serve and to remove obstacles to that service.

A second way that a renewed SC Cursillo Community (and by extension, the Diocese as a whole) can become a reality is through a small, but dependable, **annual** financial gift of \$100 from each Cursillista to sustain the Joy of Giving Program. In August of 2011 we made an urgent appeal to the Cursillo Family to make that gift, which averted the calamity of not being able to pay Camp St. Christopher for the October weekend. That was a clear wake-up call to the reality that each of us is a vital component of the financial health of our Movement in this Diocese. With Community-wide, annual contributions, we will be able to hold the line on the annual increases charged by St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center, not just for participants, but team members also. Please send your 2012 contribution to our Treasurer during the month of April. Additional information is found here in the *Sounds*. Please PRAY that the Spirit will galvanize our Community with generous and quick-acting hearts and will remove obstacles to that generosity and action.

A third avenue to renew the SC Cursillo Community is through engagement in Ultreya. At the local level, your geographical Ultreya fosters palanca from the parishes for each weekend, sponsorship of new candidates, spiritual cohesion and renewal, and a nucleus for community action. On the diocesan level, the Diocesan Ultreya is always held the second Saturday following each weekend, and the next one will take place at The Well, Myrtle Beach on Saturday, May 5th. Please PRAY that the Spirit will give each Cursillista, both new and veteran alike, a **desire** to meet Him amidst the fellowship of Ultreya and that He will remove obstacles to the fulfillment of that desire.

Finally, to bring about renewal and expansion of the Cursillo Movement in the Diocese of SC, participants of the Cursillo Retreat in early February identified our Community's **primary** goal for the coming year – SPONSORSHIP. The consensus is that effective, practiced sponsorship is the single most important task for each and every Cursillista. From placemats to prayer, to establishment in a Reunion Group, to escorting to weekend events, and especially **a full year of shepherding**, the candidates and new Cursillistas need the ongoing support of the veteran. Please PRAY that the Spirit will place on **your** heart the names of those He is getting ready to call to a weekend, and pray that He will remove the obstacles to your enduring sponsorship of those lambs.

On a personal and bittersweet note, downsizing measures by the Federal Government have necessitated major life changes for Sue and me. We believe we are being called forward to something new and exciting in Eastern Pennsylvania. Consequently, we will be pulling up stakes during April and settling into whatever our Lord has in store for us in the Delaware Valley. We believe He brought to the Lowcountry for a season, and now a new season is upon us.

Sue and I have been blessed and honored to serve Our Lord within the SC Cursillo Community, and we will miss you. Please keep us in your prayers as we will keep you in ours.

God Bless,



Jay Freeman
jay.s.freeman@att.net



to Jay and Sue!

With thanks, love, and blessings from your SC Cursillo Family

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 the remaining 2012 weekends, we are asking you to send your 2012 contribution **during the month of April** 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.

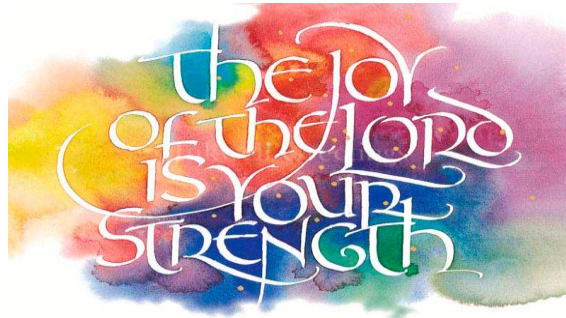
Remembering the life-changing weekend that Cursillo was for you, know what a joy and blessing it will be for others to receive, and how the number of Jesus' disciples on earth will be increased.

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



Cursillo 4th Day Picnic

**Old Santee Canal State Park
Monks Corner**

Saturday, April 14, 2012

**Join your fellow Cursillistas for fun,
fellowship, games and lunch!
11 am – 3 pm**

Park entrance - \$2.00 per person

(6 and under free)

Canoes available - \$3.00 per ½ hour

Lunch - \$7.00

Please RSVP by April 7, 2012 to Mary at Bchmimi@aol.com or
843-626-2128 and leave a message. **ULTREYA!**

The Resurrection

Something perfectly new in the history of the Universe had happened. Christ had defeated death. The door which had always been locked had for the very first time been forced open. The Resurrection narratives are not a picture of survival after death; they record how a totally new mode of being has arisen in the universe. Something new had appeared in the universe: as new as the first coming of organic life. This Man, after death, does not get divided into "ghost" and "corpse". A new mode of being has arisen.

**C.S. Lewis, "What Are We to
Make of Jesus Christ?"
(1950)**

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>
4 th DAY PICNIC	April 14	Old Santee State Park		
#167	July 12-15	Teresa Merchant	July 28	TBA
#168	Oct. 18 -21	Charlie Jensen	November 3	TBA
Cursillo Retreat	Feb. 8 – 10, 2013	Camp St. Christopher		
4 th DAY PICNIC	April 6, 2013	Old Santee State Park		
#169	April 17-21, 2013	Tabby Shelton	May 4, 2013	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 Joyce Harder at rejoiceharder@comcast.net.

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 celelevel@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