

Rooster Crows Spring 2013

NY Cursillo English



A Message from the Lay Director

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The following is a quote from Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio, S.J., Archbishop of Buenos Aires, (future Pope Francis) addressing the Cursillistas in Argentina. The full text of his message is available for reading on page 12 in this issue of the Rooster.

“It is necessary that the Cursillo Movement continues its journey of pastoral conversion through the participation of everyone.

As Cursillistas, in difficult times, you need to ask God for the Grace to sponsor many candidates, to always have a pre-Cursillo in motion, so that you will not fall into hopelessness.”

We want to congratulate Pope Francis on his election and offer our supporting prayers for his work ahead. We will remember to pray for him also as we do palanca for Cursillo Movement on the first day of every month.

The next 12 months are going to be exciting and yet challenging times for us in our Archdiocese. We will participate in the National Encounter at Hofstra University on July 25-28 and welcome Hoang Tran, our new National Cursillo Service Administrator. We also will greet many of our brothers and sisters from all over the United States to this first National Encounter in New York.

New Pope, new Director of our National Office, and now reuniting teams from the whole Archdiocese for our Fall weekends. In this process of renewal, let us pray and do palanca so that all of us will be open to the will of God. As Pope Francis mentioned in his address, let's keep our “pre-Cursillo in motion” --- make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ. Then most importantly guide these friends in their fourth day through Group Reunion and Ultreya.

To fulfill our mission as evangelizers, let's try to remember a quote from Mother Theresa: *“Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile.”*

Thank you for all that you do for Our Lord.
John DeJulio, Lay Director

Please visit our new Website for the New York Cursillo (English):

www.cursillo.org/newyork

This new website was created by our Webmaster, Joe Lysonski:

<mailto:jlyso@yahoo.com>

23rd National Cursillo Encounter

Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the date of the Encounter?

Thursday, July 25 – Sunday, July 28, 2013.

Where is the Encounter being held?

Hofstra University, 1000 Fulton Avenue,
Hempstead, NY 11549.

What is the Encounter registration fee?

- \$385.00 per person if the Encounter Registration Form is received by May 31, 2013.
- Unable to guarantee attendance after June 30, 2013.



Can the Encounter registration fee be paid in payments?

No, full payment per person must accompany the Encounter Registration Form.

How do I register for the Encounter?

You may register on-line at <https://www.natl-cursillo.org/encounter/> or download a registration form and mail form with full payment to the National Cursillo Center, P.O. Box 799, Jarrell, TX 76537. You can also fax form to 512-746-2030, or e-mail form to nationalcursillo.center@verizon.net. Use a separate Encounter Registration Form for each person.

There is a \$40.00 non-refundable fee for all cancellations up until May 31, 2013. No refunds after May 31, 2013 – No exceptions! The National Cursillo Center is responsible for payment to Hofstra University regardless of cancellations.

How do I pay for Encounter registration fee?

Payment can be made with Visa or MasterCard credit cards only or personal check. Make checks payable to National Cursillo Center and mail to National Cursillo Center, P.O. Box 799, Jarrell, Texas 76537.

Do I need to bring bed linens, etc?

The University will provide bed linens, towel, and pillow.

What time is check-in?

Check-in is from 2:00pm – 8:00pm at Fenwick Place.

What time does the Encounter begin?

Dinner will be served from 5:00pm – 7:00pm at Hoff Dining Commons.

Opening of the 23rd National Cursillo Encounter will begin at 7:30pm at Cintas Center – Duff Banquet Room.

What time is check-out?

Cursillistas must check-out by 10:00am on Sunday, July 28, 2013.

What airport will I be flying into?

John F Kennedy International Airport

How do I get to the Encounter from the airport?

The registration fee includes transportation to/from John F Kennedy International Airport (JFK), three nights lodging, dinner on Thursday evening, 3 meals on Friday and Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday morning. Hofstra University is approximately 25 minutes from John F Kennedy International Airport (JFK).

NOTE: Participants are responsible for their own lunch on Thursday. Lunch is not included in the registration fee.

Where can I get a campus map and driving directions to Hofstra University?

See <http://www.hofstra.edu/visitors>

What is the lodging capacity and set-up for the Encounter?

600 persons. Two persons per bedroom.

Where can I send Palanca for the Encounter?

National Cursillo Center, P.O. Box 799, Jarrell, TX 76537. Fax number 512-746-2030, or e-mail to nationalcursillo.center@verizon.net.

2013 - 20 Week Raffle

Our annual **Twenty Week Raffle** for the ENTIRE New York Archdiocese is now underway. This fund raising Raffle is critical for our Cursillo Weekends to continue. The Raffle proceeds allow us to maintain our low \$165 donation for the Weekend, providing support for candidates who cannot afford this amount and most important keeps New York Archdiocese Cursillo solvent in support of other expenses.

The tickets are \$20.00 and are being distributed at the upcoming Ultreyas. There are two weekly winners, for 20 weeks: one \$25.00 and one \$50.00. The final drawing includes one \$100.00, two \$250.00, one \$500.00, and one \$1,000.00 prizes.

The first drawing is on May 18th, the Spring Ultreya and the following 19 at various Ultreyas and Schools of Leaders. The final drawings will be at our Annual Harvest Social on October 26th.

Please purchase as many tickets as you can and sell even more to your friends as well. We are counting on you for a successful Raffle. Many thanks to Vito Porpora for organizing this year's raffle!

Al Lett
Treasurer

Register / Volunteer for National Encounter

The National Encounter will be held at Hofstra University in Hempstead, NY during July 25-28, 2013. The registration fee is \$385.00 per person if registered by May 31, 2013. To register online use the following link: <https://www.natl-cursillo.org/encounter/>
A mail-in application is available on a following page in this Rooster

This gathering will be an opportunity to make new friends, rekindle friendships, and continue deepening our knowledge and understanding of the Charism of Cursillo. It goes without saying; all Cursillo gatherings are an opportunity for on-going conversion and a nurturing of the three essential encounters with self, Christ, and others. This year's encounter will include a one-day workshop for all Cursillo Spiritual Advisors. Workshop sessions based on the Cursillo de Cursillos (CDC) Workshop will be provided on Friday and Saturday. The encounter schedule will be posted on-line as it becomes available

The 23rd National Cursillo Encounter is in need of volunteers! We anticipate a need of over 100 volunteers in order to provide all of the services to our anticipated 600-900 participants.

Most of these volunteers are needed for only a few hours during the course of the entire 3-day event. Their compensation will be the gratitude of those attending as well as the National Staff and Secretariat.

If you have any individuals who are attending the Encounter that would like to volunteer, or anyone who would just like to volunteer without attending (they would need to provide their own transportation and meals), please send their names and contact information to:

John DeJulio
knickrom@aol.com



**23rd National Cursillo® Encounter
Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY
July 25 – 28, 2013**

Last Name:

First Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

E-Mail:

Phone:

Diocese:

Region #:

Language:

Priest/Deacon/ Religious:

Male or Female:

If you wish to room with a specific person (spouse, friend, relative) then the other person's Registration Form must accompany this form.

Do you have a roommate preference? If yes, provide name:

Need assistance - physically challenged? Describe need:

Make checks payable to: National Cursillo Center. Only MasterCard and Visa credit cards are accepted.

Registration Fee is \$385.00 per person.

Visa or MasterCard:

Card Number:

Name on Credit Card:

Expiration Date:

Please use a separate Registration Form for each person. Type or print legibly and fill in all spaces as applicable.

Send this form and payment to:

National Cursillo® Center
P.O. Box 799
Jarrell, TX 76537
512-746-2020
nationalcursillo.center@verizon.net

Full payment of \$385.00 per person and this form must be received by May 31, 2013.

Registration fee increases to \$435.00 per person beginning June 1, 2013.

Unable to guarantee registration after June 30, 2013.

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The National Cursillo® Center is responsible for payment to Hofstra University regardless of cancellations.**

For office use only – Registration Confirmation # _____

SPRING ULTREYA



May 18, 2013

MT. ST. FRANCIS

250 South Street

Peekskill, NY

5:00 p.m. at the Chapel

- Walk with us as we celebrate the Way of Light—the Stations of the Resurrection with Fr. Tom Kreiser;
- Listen to witness talks from your fellow Cursillistas;
- Remember those who have entered their 5th Day;
- Enjoy fellowship and bring finger foods for the sharing table.



For more information, please call Patricia or Joseph Bisesto at 914-948-4489

Men's Weekend #205
Mount Alvernia
March 21 - 24, 2013
Rector: Mark Carson



Photo by Ernest Valera

The New Cursillistas

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| Paul | Altenburg | Unionville, NY |
| Gregorio | Anderson | Yonkers, NY |
| Raymond | Harrington | Staatsburg, NY |
| Keith | Jones | Spring Glen, NY |
| Marc | Lopez | Pomona, NY |
| Paul | Mallon | Poughquag, NY |
| James | Muraco | Hyde Park, NY |
| Lou | Pastor | Yonkers, NY |
| Michael | Tartaglione | Pine Bush, NY |

CURSILLO PICNIC

SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2013, 12:00 P.M.

BOWDOIN PARK

PAVILLION 4

SHEAFE ROAD, WAPPINGERS FALLS, NEW YORK

Mass will be celebrated at 1 p.m.

This will be a family affair. There are covered picnic tables, a playground and swings for the kids and even a field for those who want to play baseball, etc. There will be a grill available but you can bring your own.

Please bring a dessert for the sharing table. Also, of course, bring your food and drink. Alcohol is allowed (we acquired a permit for this day). It might also be wise to bring lawn chairs, as picnic tables tend to get a little uncomfortable after a while. (There are bathrooms right in the pavilion for those who might be wondering)

Just an FYI, due to the costs of renting the pavilion, there will be a basket for a free will offering. Anything you can afford will be greatly and humbly accepted. Thank you.

If you have any questions, please call Jeanette Fitch: 845-463-4336
Also, if you do plan on attending, please let her know so we can get an idea of how many people we are planning for.

Directions: If lost call Jeanette's cell: 845-721-6725

From North on Route 9: Go south until you get to Route 9D (south hills mall) take a right here. Go to Delevergene Avenue, make a right (as if you were going to Mt. Alvernia). Follow this to the end and make a left. The park will be about a mile or so on your right. When you drive in, there will be balloons on your immediate right, pull in there, follow until you get to the parking lot which will be on your left.

From South on Route 9: Go North until you get to 9D (south hills mall) and follow directions as above.

Women's Weekend #206
North
Mount Alvernia
April 11 - 14, 2013
Rectora: Pat Eidle



Photo by Ernest Valera

The New Cursillistas

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| Wendy | Belina | Poughquag, NY |
| Pat | Clegg | Pine Bush, NY |
| Maureen | Daucher | Westtown, NY |
| Corrine | Griffin | Middletown, NY |
| Doris | Harrington | Staatsburg, NY |
| Helen | Henighan-Dobbins | Cold Springs, NY |
| Noreen | McGovern | Goshen, NY |
| Rhonda | McGrath | Pine Bush, NY |
| Bonnie | Meenagh | Hopewell Junction, NY |
| Theresa | Pinero-Geider | Westtown, NY |
| Lula | Tartaglione | Pine Bush, NY |
| Tracey | Torres-Sistrunk | Harriman, NY |

A Cursillista Reflects on her Weekend #207

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord, love one another as I have loved you. Jn 13:34

My Cursillo experience began on April 16, 2013 with a phone call to Sr. Anne James to discuss vocations.

She suggested that I attend, if at all possible, the upcoming Cursillo weekend. Even though I had no idea what Cursillo was about, I said I would come, didn't give it a second thought, and had the most wonderful weekend.

Sr. Anne James was so kind when I arrived on the afternoon of April 18, 2013. She introduced me to Sr. Laura and Sr. Antonia. Both were so gracious, invited me to dinner, and shared their most special ministries with me.

Then Cursillo began. Everyone was so nice, giving, supportive and so open to both the good and bad experiences of their lives, while never losing their faith in God. By being with each other, praying, sharing meals, listening to the team members, and summarizing what each one told and taught us, we became so close to one another that it felt that we knew each other for years.

Sr. Anne James and Fr. Thomas Kreiser, our Spiritual Directors, further enhanced this faith-based atmosphere by their intellect, presence, presentations, educating us on the sacraments and helping us remember, "Be still and know I am God".

Fr. Tom was with us, celebrated Holy Mass, heard confessions, played the guitar, and shared meals with us, while still fulfilling his very busy schedule at his own parish.

Special thanks to both of them, as well as to Lynne, Pat, Karen, Kelly, all the other team members for all of their hard work in putting this all together, and to all the candidates that participated.

We don't know what the future will bring but, may we continue our journey on "Christ's Road", not take any detours, and offer a ride to as many people as possible along the way.

In closing, may I quote the late Terence Cardinal Cooke from the Meditations of Mary, 1958, "If we wish to become unselfish, there is one road open to us, the road of kindness. Every step along this road is a step heavenwards".

DeColores,
Donna Grusaky

Pray for these Cursillistas who entered their 5th Day

Dillard Boone
Sr. Theresa Charles
Ingrid Climis
Phil Dolan
Elizabeth Dzurilla
Mary (Marie) Flynn
Lucy Gallagher
Robert Giordano
Walter Hetzer
Thomas Buddy Horan

Lucy McCarthy
Tom McCarthy
Adrienne Montibello
Tom Norris
Deacon Augustine Pappalardo
Alexander Ross
Barbara Stofko
Anita Tejada
Charlie Wallace

Women's Weekend #207
 Central-South
 Mount Saint Francis
 April 18 - 21, 2013
 Rectora: Lynne Diano



Photo by Ernest Valera

The New Cursillistas

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| Clara Benesch | Danbury, CT |
| Jean Buttinelli | Yonkers, NY |
| Pauline DalCeredo | Yorktown Heights, NY |
| Judy Dello Russo | Patchogue, NY |
| Glo DioDati | New Rochelle, NY |
| Mary Ann Edkins | Staten Island, NY |
| Annette Ferraro | Staten Island, NY |
| Donna Grusaky | Bronx, NY |
| Annette Guarino | Rye, NY |
| Linda Maria | Staten Island, NY |
| Catherine McManus | Carmel, NY |
| Mary Young | Yorktown Heights, NY |

Message to Cursillistas in Argentina from Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio (now Pope Francis)

Dear Cursillistas,

"The Good Seeds are those who belong to the Kingdom"(MT. 13:38)

As we get closer to the solemnity of Saint Paul, your Patron and Model of how to "live de Colores," we give thanks to God for all the fruits that throughout the years the work of the Cursillos de Cristiandad have generously given the Church.our Service of announcing Christ, being witness in the everyday environments, is to live and renew in a concrete way the Baptism that in HIM we have received and therefore transforms you into disciples and missionaries of the Word.

According to the Constitution of the Church (#33) :

The lay apostolate is a participation in the salvific mission of the Church itself. Through their baptism and confirmation all are commissioned to that apostolate by the Lord Himself.

Even as I write to you, I am very well aware of the difficulties that present themselves while trying to insert the Gospel into our society and also very well aware of your boldness and apostolic fervor, born of that personal encounter between yourselves and Christ which leads you forward to make history, for the good of many; and that the many, whether they are on the fringes of society or not, feel the loving embrace of Jesus.

Being a pilgrim in our society means to be open to life and pay very close attention to what happens within our hearts just like a good Samaritan before the difficult reality of so many brothers and sisters.

It is necessary that the Cursillo Movement through the participation of everyone continues its journey of pastoral conversion.

As Cursillistas, in difficult times, you need to ask God for the Grace to sponsor many candidates, to always have a pre-Cursillo in motion, so that you will not fall into a hopelessness that paralyzes and causes anguish.

The gift of the Kerygma (the apostolic proclamation of religious truths) received during your Cursillo is missionary, just like the tripod points out (piety, study, and action).

As a Church all of us need unity in Christ, so that HE, only HE, reigns in our hearts and only then we will be able to recognize HIM as the disciples did in Emmaus.

As I thank you for your pilgrimage as Cursillistas, I ask you to never cease to renew in Jesus' Eucharist your apostolic fervor and that of your brothers and sisters in Group Reunions.

Now, more than ever we need your closeness in the environment to be light and joy for so many brothers and sisters who ignore God as a Father that loves them with tenderness.

Today, more than ever we need your presence so that many families can find the transcendent love of Christ - a newer and larger dimension of human love.

Today, more than ever we need your presence and your witness in the Ultreyas, to keep moving forward in the proclamation and living out the Kerygma.

I ask you to pray for me. May God and the Virgin, Mother of the Divine Grace, be with you and take care of you!

Sincerely,
Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio, S.J.
Archbishop of Buenos Aires

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NEW YORK CURSILLO (ENGLISH) CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2013

- May 18 Archdiocese-wide Spring Ultreya, 5:00 pm
Pot Luck dinner, Mt. St. Francis, Peekskill
- June 6-9 Cursillo de Cursillos (CDC), Joyce Roy (207-377-2004)
or Joe Presti (207-377-3488)
Camp Mechuwana, Winthrop Maine
- July 14 Summer Picnic and Ultreya, Bowdoin Park, 12:00 pm
Mass 1:00 pm, Jeanette Fitch 845-463-4336
Sheafe Road, Wappingers Falls, NY
- July 25-28 National Encounter 2013; Hofstra College, Hempstead, NY
Contact: Jim Santos 845-692-2338
- September 26-29 Men's Cursillo Weekend #206, Rector Gino Lucadamo
Mount Alvernia, Wappingers Falls, NY
- October 17-20 Women's Cursillo Weekend #208, Rectora Carol Vuoso
Mount Alvernia, Wappingers Falls, NY
- October 18-20 Regional Encounter; St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield, CT
Contact: Jim Santos 845-692-2338
- October 26 Harvest Social,
Mount St. Mary's, Marlboro, NY
- November 9 Fall Retreat, Retreat Director Fr. Bill Cosgrove
Mount St. Francis, Peekskill, NY
- December 7 Staten Island Mass and Communion Breakfast
Tom Castaldo 718-967-3473
- December 14 Archdiocese-wide Advent Ultreya
Mount Alvernia, Wappingers Falls, NY

MANANITAS: GATHER 7AM; CLOSINGS 4 PM

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April 23, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

After spending 3 weeks in the National Cursillo Service Administrator (NCSA) position I have something to share with you from my heart:

1. I was struck by the simplicity of our "Headquarters" in Jarrell, Texas and it made me relate to the birthplace of Jesus in Bethlehem. I felt such an instant connection with this place that I called it "home" with a sense of total belonging. During the last 8 months, this National Cursillo Center (NCC), without an executive director, was managed by a group of Cursillistas who volunteered their time and talents for the sake of the Movement. I'm touched by their conviction and attachment to the Center. They are true servant leaders who act at the highest level of integrity and accountability.
2. I have been overwhelmed by emails and phone calls with kind words of congratulations, encouragement and support. Yes, I've made quite a lot of friends and amazingly we became close friends in no time. What a wonderful Charism of Friendship!
3. The National Cursillo Center (NCC) is experiencing instability in finance and operation. A lot of things need to be organized, streamlined and optimized. I am currently designing a system with transparent processes for improving effectiveness of the NCC in terms of administration, operation, finance, and communication. Your collaboration and support are greatly needed for the success of the NCC and particularly for the upcoming 23rd National Encounter at Hofstra University in July.

I have started a new chapter of my life when I said "yes" to serve the National Cursillo Movement. The NCSA position is not a job but a special vocation to me. I keep thanking God for granting me the opportunity to work closely with the National Secretariat, Executive Committee, and National Language Coordinators in managing the NCC and promoting the authenticity of the foundational Charism. I constantly offer the National Cursillo Movement to the Eucharist at daily Mass and ask God to grant us the grace of living the Mystical Body of Christ with conviction 24/7. No matter where we serve the Cursillo Movement, at the Diocesan, Regional, or National level, we are ONE and inseparable! I can't wait to meet you personally at the 23rd National Encounter.



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Please continue offering Palanca for my perseverance in serving you with love and humility.

Your little brother in Christ,

Hoang Tran
NCSA

Love never fails. (1 Cor 13:8)



National Cursillo Center in Jarrell, Texas

Utreyas

ULSTER COUNTY

Saugerties
St. John the Evangelist
Second Thursday, 7:30
Judy DeFino (845) 246-4113
Brian Kimlin (845) 245-6688

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Liberty
St. Peter's Church
Fourth Saturday, 6:30
Joan Paddock (845) 292-5548

Bloomington
Our Lady of the Assumption
Third Thursday, 7:00
Kathy Harris (845) 367-1964

ORANGE COUNTY

Bullville/Goshen/Middletown
St. Paul's Church
Third Saturday, 7:30
Rich & Julie Ozurilla (845)-457-4893

Pine Bush
Infant Saviour
Second Thursday, 7:30
Rosemary De Caro (845) 744-3323

Walden
Most Precious Blood
First Thursday, 7:00
Kathy Livingston (845) 778-0320

Minisink
Holy Cross, South Centerville
First Saturday, 7:00
Peg & Ed Lazarri (845) 355-2203
Gladys Ann Adams (845) 699-7100

Newburgh
Msgr. Valastro Activity Center
Fourth Thursday, 7:00
Virginia Florio (914) 805-5649
John Hanley (845) 562-6503

BRONX COUNTY

The Bronx
St. Francis Xavier
Fourth Tuesday, 7:30
Ed Shimanski (718) 931-8373

NEW YORK COUNTY

Upper Manhattan
St. Charles Borromeo, 211 W. 141st Street
Second Thursday, 7:00
Norma Marshburn (212) 410-1974

Utreyas

DUTCHESS COUNTY

Poughkeepsie
Mt. Alvernia, Wappingers
Fourth Monday, 7:30
Terry Tornatore (845) 297-0347

Hopewell Junction
Saint Kateri
Second Thursday, 7:00
Ginger Fisher (845) 297-4711

Northern Dutchess
Joan Greene (845) 229-2539
Second Saturday 7:00
(Jan, Mar, May, Aug, Oct.) Regina Coeli, Hyde Park
Pot Luck following 5:00 Mass
(Feb, Apr, June, Sep, Nov.) St. Stanislaus
Pleasant Valley
Pot Luck following 5:30 Mass

WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Northeast Westchester
St. Patrick's Cenacle, Bedford
Fourth Wednesday, 7:30
Diane and Bob Goldbach (914) 720-5221
Gino and Cyndi Lucadamo (914) 763-0480

White Plains

St. Bernard's, White Plains
Third Saturday, 7:30
Don Jones (914) 948-1090

Valhalla

St. Bernard's, White Plains
Third Saturday, 7:30
Joe Bisesto (914) 948-4489

Peekskill/Putnam Valley
Susie Caras and John Keck Home
Third Wednesday, 7:30
Alice Parisi (914) 490-4489
Susie Caras (914) 737-6889

PUTNAM COUNTY

Mahopac/Carmel
Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Carmel
Third Friday, 7:30
Diane Trabulsy (845) 661-1276

RICHMOND COUNTY

Staten Island
Holy Child School of Religion
Third Thursday, 7:30
Ginny Buonviaggio (718) 356-3966