

Greetings!

To our brothers and sisters in Christ,

We hope that you have had a restful summer. As we begin our Fall activities and prepare for the upcoming Women's weekend we want to update everyone on some important topics and events.

We have written to our new Archbishop, Charles Chaput to welcome him to Philadelphia. His response was very uplifting and he assured us of his continuing prayers and support for Cursillo.

Please keep him in your prayers particularly in these challenging times for the Philadelphia Archdiocese.

We encourage all of you to attend the Sponsorship Workshop on September 17<sup>th</sup> after the 8AM Mass at Sts. Cosmas and Damian. This promises to be educational and spiritually enriching as it will be given by our regional Co-ordinator Mike Ciccociopo. Mike is coming from Harrisburg to be with us and is a dynamic and spirit-filled speaker. No matter how many times you have sponsored a candidate you will not regret hearing the nuts and bolts of this important responsibility. Please support your Community by attending.

Another important event is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First Spanish-speaking Cursillo weekend in Phila. This milestone will be celebrated on Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup> at St. Martin of Tours parish in Phila under the direction of our Spiritual Advisor Fr. John Meyers. Mass will be celebrated at 5PM with a dinner and reception thereafter in the parish hall. Donny Montagna, Spanish Lay Director invite all of us to attend and help them celebrate. We pray for the continued success of their 4<sup>th</sup> day journey.

Our Women's team is in Formation for the October 20-23<sup>rd</sup> weekend. Peggy Choinski and Marie Romano are the Rectora and Asst. Rectora. Please begin or continue your Palanca sacrifices for the graces for the Team And the Candidates. They intend to hold 6-8 team meetings leading to their retreat day on October 15<sup>th</sup> and the Pre-cursillo Mass on Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM. Please give them your Love and prayers.

There have been some changes to the format and content of the weekend to get back to the essence of the manual and our team needs our support at this time to aid in the presentation. If your ultreya is helping with the cooking and kitchen duties perhaps you can lend a hand.

Please prayerfully consider sponsoring a candidate mindful of the one year commitment to bring her to grouping, ultreya and other Cursillo formation events.

We enter a busy and faith-filled time for Phila. Cursillo. The Holy Spirit breathes on us and fuels our efforts. God Bless you all!

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Ray and Maggie Falzone