



Buffalo Cursillo

May 2019

Check out our new website at <https://www.buffalocursillo.com/> You will find dates and information on Ultreya, Weekends, Reunion mass schedule, Newsletters, Applications, and much more.

Upcoming Events:

Support Mass for Men's & Women's Spring weekends

Saturday May 11, 2019, 4:30 pm Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
8550 Main St, Williamsville.

Women's #224
Weekend #224

Setup, Wednesday May 15, 2019 - 5:30 pm, St Vincent de Paul
Sign in, Thursday May 16, 2019 – 7:00 pm.
Holy Hour, Saturday May 18, 2019 “break-in” 7:15 pm, Mass 8 pm.
Las Mananitas – Sunday May 19 – 6 am (Women only)
Closing Mass at 3 pm – ALL welcome

Men's #223
Weekend #223

Setup, Wednesday May 29, 2019 - 5:30 pm, St Vincent de Paul
Sign in, Thursday May 30, 2019 – 7:00 pm.
Holy Hour, Saturday June 1, 2019 “break-in” 7:15 pm, Mass 8 pm.
Las Mananitas – Sunday June 2 – 6 am (Men only)
Closing Mass at 3 pm – ALL welcome

Welcome to your 4th day #223, #224 Saturday June 15, 2019 4:30 pm, doors open at 4:00 pm

Lay Director's Report:

Our spring weekends are just a couple weeks away. We have plenty of room for last minute candidates. Please contact any candidates that you have been praying for. Here is a link for the applications: [Cursillo Application](#) Contact Marge Fetterman ASAP if you have a candidate that you would like to sponsor. 698-5828 Email: bfloprecursillo@gmail.com

On Christmas and Easter, St Jude the Apostle pastor Rev. James Kirkpatrick (Cursillista) gives books to all his parishioners. This time it was: “Why I Love being Catholic”. It's a collection of letters written to Matthew

Kelly's Dynamic Catholic. I was thrilled to read the following on page 3;
“In July of 2008 I attended a Cursillo retreat. During the 3-day retreat, I experience a profound change of mind and heart, and for the first time since my childhood, I fell in love again with Catholicism. I love how God makes me aware of His gifts and challenges me to use these to help others. Pat Ahearn” Isn't that a beautiful witness of who we are and what we do!

Read the letter from Fr. John Armstrong, Cursillo Spiritual Advisor - Asia Pacific Group, on the Sri Lanka Islamic terrorist's attack on Catholic Churches. [Letter to Cursillistas World Wide](#)

Marty Ruhland has made several improvements to the website. See BuffaloCursillo.com.

Peace,
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Spiritual Director's Reflection:

Creation, Redemption and Resurrection - Alleluia!

Our Creation required Redemption and His Resurrection.

Pope Benedict XVI once described the physical act of Jesus' Resurrection as "an explosion of light, a cosmic event linking heaven and earth."

Ultimately, it was a celestial explosion of Love and Hope that ushered in a new dimension of being, and a new world emerges.

Christ's Resurrection is nothing less than a profound leap in the history of humankind; it's a God-given advancement in our life; a loving evolution toward a new eternal future, all set in place by the entirety of Jesus' Paschal Mystery.

Like the Apostles, we are chosen to be His "witnesses!" They were "commissioned . . . to preach . . . and testify" to all that they had seen—from His anointing with the Holy Spirit at the Jordan to an empty tomb with neatly rolled up burial shrouds.

We rejoice because - just as Jesus is truly Risen, so are we!

As we were one with Him in His suffering, so we now can be one with Him in His risen glory!

Our Creation required Redemption and His Resurrection – that is His purpose!

We are the Purpose for His:

- Coming
- Being Baptized
- Teachings
- Signs/parables/miracles
- Suffering, humiliation and death
- Rising – that we may Rise with Him!

Through His Resurrection, the Risen Christ now permeates our souls and this world;

- He draws us to Himself through His sacrificial death and Resurrection - uniting us to God and others.

- He changes us; and by doing so, He changes the world.

Jesus paid the price.

We must too - by choosing to draw near to Him - and by actively living His Resurrection.

When we do, He progressively forms and transforms us - and we, then, transform the world around us...just as He commissioned us to do.

We live and proclaim the Resurrection of Christ when:

- His light illuminates the dark moments of our existence,
 - We are able share it with others
 - We smile with those who can't
 - And weep with those who weep
 - We accompany those who are sad/desperate and at risk of losing hope
- Whenever and wherever we:

- Share compassion, justice, reconciliation, faith and peace;

- Encourage others to be people of love, hope and joy

That's when we:

- Demonstrate that we are people of Christ's Resurrection and ministers of His Resurrection...
- Carry on the Apostles' witness

Created, Redeemed and Resurrected through and with the Risen Christ!

Peace and all good things!

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Pre Cursillo Report:

If you would like to register a candidate for the Women's or Men's weekend, please contact Marge Fetterman at 698-5828.

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Cursillo Section

Here we go again!!!!!!
God has once again graced us with another set of weekends to show people His love for them.

Teams are in formation and ready to go. Please don't let this discourage you from being a participant on the weekend. We are always looking for help serving meals, setting up for the weekend and cleaning up from the weekend. Any of your work is helpful and shows our Candidates what kind of a supportive Cursillo Community we have. See you on the weekend!!!
Ultreya!!!!!!

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Post Cursillo:

Support Mass
Saturday, May 11 @ 4:30
Nativity of Mary - Harris Hill
8550 Main St; Clarence

Dinner for team members after mass
This is a joint support mass for both the women's (#224) and men's (#223)

“Welcome to your 4th day” reunion and dinner

Saturday, June 15, @ 4:30. Doors open at 4:00pm for setup.
St Vincent de Paul
6441 Seneca St, Spring Brook NY (Elma)
Come and socialize with the babe chicks from Men's #223 and Women's #224 and the entire Cursillo community. Bring a dish to pass as well as your plates and utensils. Drinks will be provided.

Cursillo Dance

- Saturday, September 21
- Details to follow

ULTREYA SCHEDULE FOR MAY

1st Thursday - May 2, 2019

Bethany @ 7:00pm
St. Martha's Parish
10 French Rd, Depew, NY 14043

Rainbow Vineyard @ 7:30pm
Our Lady Czestochowa Church
64 Center Ave, North Tonawanda 14120

South towns @ 7:30pm

1st Monday - May 6, 2019
The Spirit of the City @ 6:00 pm
The St. Jude Center in Downtown
760 Ellicott Street, Buffalo

2nd Wednesday - May 8, 2019

Pueblo de Paz: after 7:00pm Mass
St. Mary's Church
6785 East Arcade Rd., East Arcade

3rd Thursday - May 16, 2019

Rainbow Vineyard @ 7:30pm
**** no meeting this Thursday - women's weekend ****
Our Lady Czestochowa Church
64 Center Ave, North Tonawanda 14120

3rd Monday - May 20, 2019

The Spirit of the City @ 6:00 pm
The St. Jude Center in Downtown
760 Ellicott Street, Buffalo

3rd Tuesday - May 21, 2019
Come to the Well @ 7:00 pm
**** no meeting in May ****

South towns @ 7:30pm

Last Sunday May 26, 2019
Pueblo de Paz: @ 7:00pm
St. Michael's Church Hall
171 North Main Street, Warsaw, NY

last Tuesday May 28, 2019
Full of Grace @ 7:30 pm
Annunciation Church, Selbert Hall
7580 Clinton Street, Elma

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School of Leaders:

Save the date: June 22. The secretariat will be reporting back about the May Regional meeting. We are expecting that National Cursillo is making some changes in the way that Cursillo weekends are run.

We want everyone to be informed and to have a chance to discuss and evaluate these changes, so it is important that everyone who is involved in planning and implementing the weekend attend.

The meeting will be at ST. John Paul II R.C. church in Hamburg. It will begin at 10:00 and end at 2:00. Lunch will be served. There will be no charge for attendees. Come and bring a friend.

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Secretary:

Mary Bitka
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Prayer Request:

Please keep the following people in your prayers and Palanca:

Helga Pollak, Mary Flanagan, Joe Insana, Dell Leaderstorf, Regina Amendolea, Bill Heidle, Tim Hanavan, Corinne Giermek, Larry Lomanto, Ryan Stack, Dcn Joe Barr, Jim Youngers, Tim Heidle, Nan, Owen Mangan, Tony Rozak, Gary Hall, Michael Volk, Michael Ryan, Kathy O'Keefe, Denise Bressette, Lynn Johnson, Diane Coughlin, Deacon Dan McGuire, Bishop Malone, Gary Banas, Father Jim Walter, John Agugliaro, Marcia Moretti, Amelia and Kent, Cheryl Besant, Quinn children, newborn Marylynn Joanne, Toni Sessamen, Mary Mercurio & nephew Ray, Father Sam Venne, Elaine Stack, Marie Sorrentino, Frank Gallagher, Pat Abraham, Vinnie Barone, Linda Orszulak, Eva Tamoga, Ellie Wieleba, Lou and Liz Pauley, Lorrie Dickerson, baby Finleigh, Doug Shrou, Dan Graesser, Leo Reiter, Jeannette Shields daughter in law

All Cursillistas who are ill or suffering.

Cursillo Name Tags or Shirts

See price list and pictures at
BuffaloCursillo.com/Resources/Wearables

Contact Mike Szematowicz;
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List shirt size, color preference, weekend #.
Mike will provide address where to send the check.