



May 2023 Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Spring 2023 Weekends:	Men's Weekend #230: May 4-7, 2023 Women's Weekend #231: May 18-21, 2023 Support Masses: May 13 th @ 4:30pm Nativity of the BVM, Harris Hill
Virtual Ultreya:	Bethany Ultreya meets virtually on Zoom the 2 nd and 4 th Thursday each month. This is ideal for those who cannot get out and those who have moved out of town. Contact Lynn Lomanto for the meeting information; Lomantolynn@gmail.com

Lay Director's Report:

Spring is finally here, I guess. The weather may not feel like it but flowers are blooming, trees and lawns are greening up, First Communions and Confirmations are happening, and our Spring Cursillos are just days away! Whether we have a candidate that we are sponsoring or not, we as a community all need to dedicate some time to prayer and sacrifice in support of our teams and candidates, that they will have an encounter with the risen LORD, leading to a true conversion of their hearts. In Cursillo we have a term for that prayer and sacrifice that we offer: we call it Palanca. Like so many things in life it is often misunderstood and over complicated. Conceptually, palanca is 'leverage'. If you need to move a heavy object and you're not strong enough to move it alone, leverage is the answer. If you want your friend to have a life changing experience that will lead to immortal life, palanca is the answer. From the Leader's Manual: *Whenever we speak of working for conversion, for the Christian betterment of individuals, or for the Christianization of environments, it is indispensable – as the first and most basic step underlying all other human efforts – to count on the help of grace from God, which has to be begged for with the all-powerful strength of prayer that is humble, confident and unceasing. Today, perhaps more now than ever before, it is absolutely urgent to remember that without Him we are nothing, we are worth nothing, we can do nothing. We must, before anything else, reaffirm the primacy that the Cursillo® strategy has always given, as its most important characteristic: Palanca (prayer, sacrifice, and works of mercy). Dependence on this has to be real, sincere and permanent, individual and communal, to guarantee the efficacy of any other steps one takes. The*

truth is founded on the promise of Christ: 'Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened to you.' (Mt 7:7)

There's a lot packed into that paragraph. Words like 'indispensable', 'all-powerful', 'absolutely urgent', 'individual and communal' jump out to remind us that whatever we are doing, if it starts and ends with US and our efforts it will go nowhere. How much better to humble ourselves, go to God in prayer and resolve to not give up until His will is done. It is not His will that any be lost, so why do we have to beg Him to act regarding our friends and family? Think about the sorrow we feel when a loved one dies. Imagine His sorrow when a soul is truly LOST. He allows us to feel that sorrow to help us better understand His loss, knowing the price He paid in His Precious Blood.

Therefore, let's humble ourselves and pray, pray, pray. Find time to sit silently before the Blessed Sacrament. Wait on the Lord. And only then - Ask, Seek, Knock.

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Spiritual Director Report:

As Deacon Alejandro Manunta completes his term as Spiritual Advisor for Buffalo Cursillo, I am honored and humbled to accept that role. Alex has done an incredible job of leading and guiding us spiritually. His devotion, knowledge, love, and deep understanding of the Cursillo movement, our membership, and our diocese have benefited us beyond words. Thank you, Alex!

Please pray for the team and candidates participating in our upcoming Men's and Women's weekends!

In our Sunday Gospel we are reminded to recognize the voice of the shepherd and to follow. At the same time, we are to become shepherds and bring others towards Christ. Isn't that exactly what Cursillo is all about?! As we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday this week, we also celebrate the 50th World Day of Prayer for Vocations; priests, deacons, religious sisters and brothers. In other words, shepherds, leaders in the Church!

Good shepherds inspire and lead. They are examples to be followed. Some examples of good shepherds can be very dramatic. Fr. Vincent Capodanno was a priest. During the Vietnam War he was a Navy Chaplain and the soldiers-Navy and Marine loved him because he would never leave them no matter how bad things got. One day 250 Marines wound up surrounded by 2500 enemy soldiers. A guy that survived said that it sounded like being in a boat by Niagara Falls, a constant roar so loud you couldn't hear anything else. And right in the middle of all this chaos was Fr. Vincent Capodanno. A soldier was bleeding, lying on the ground with shrapnel in him and thought he was going to die. Fr. Capodanno came up to him and the soldier remembers this bubble of peace descended upon him and there was total silence. And he said "You'll be all right Marine, God is with us, someone will get you out." He lived to tell the story. Another guy had 70 pounds of communications equipment on his back. With everything exploding around him he thought, "this is it, I am going to die." He felt a hand on his shoulder and it picked him up and threw him in a ditch and he looked up and it was Fr. Capodanno. He had saved his life. He said "Fr. take my

gas mask.” He said, no, you keep it. Fr. Capadanno gave his life that day. He had gone to minister to a medic who had been shot and Fr. Capodanno was shot twenty-seven times in the back. The USS Capodanno was named after him. He got the congressional medal of honor after his death. His name is in the Vietnam War Memorial and the only way you can see it is to kneel. The Church has named him as “Servant of God,” the first step towards becoming a saint. A saint in the making.

Inspired by the love for those around him shown by Fr. Capodanno, thousands of people have followed, turning their eyes towards him as a shepherd, and to God.

In his homily for [Good Shepherd Sunday this year](#), Pope Francis reminds us that not only clergy, but all have a vocation as shepherd. The Pope said, “the Church is a vocational ‘symphony.’ He tells us that every vocation including lay persons, clergy, and religious is individual yet united. We work in harmony, moving forward and bringing to the world new life in the kingdom of God. Each of us has a vocation and role as shepherd in the Church.

Our vocation led us to Cursillo. From our first weekend to our most recent Ultreya, we have been called. Our vocations might bring us to volunteer helping to feed the poor. Maybe to visit at the hospital or nursing home. Maybe to offer a ride to the grocery store. These actions are seen by others who will follow you by performing similar actions in the world. Like a sheep follows a shepherd. It is not dramatic but subtle. “Make a friend, be a friend, and bring that friend to Christ.” That is what shepherds do in the Church!

God might not be sending me to the aid of your friend or family member who is going through a difficult time, but he is sending you. He is sending you to go and bring his love and presence. We need saints and God is sending you – a saint in the making.

First Holy Communion’s are taking place all around our diocese and nation right now. Families and teachers have shepherded these children and they have followed. Many young people are about to accept fully the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. They have been shepherded and have heard the voice of God. Many candidates are about to undergo their Cursillo weekend this month. Maybe one of them will become a priest, deacon, or religious sister. All of them are saints in the making. Pray for them, perhaps with this prayer from Pope Francis:

“O Jesus, divine Shepherd of souls, you called the apostles and made them fishers of men. Continue to draw to yourself ardent and generous souls from among the young, in order to make them your followers and your ministers. Give them a share in your thirst for the redemption of all... Open before them the horizons of the entire world... By responding to your call, may they prolong your mission here on earth, build up your Mystical Body which is the Church, and be ‘the salt of the earth’ and ‘the light of the world’ (Mt 5:13).” Amen. Pope Francis 2023

DeColores!

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Historian Report:

The year 1973 proved to be an extremely busy year for the Buffalo Cursillo. The World Cursillo for the Deaf was held in nearby Rochester. An Assistant Spiritual Director and an Assistant Lay Coordinator were chosen by the Secretariat. In addition to twice monthly Leaders' School, 12 Cursillos were held at Bishop Gibbons – the most ever in one year.

Buffalo Cursillistas Tom Caserta (World Cursillo for the Deaf #3) and his wife Lorraine (Buffalo Women's #18) were directly involved in the local Cursillo deaf community. When the World Cursillo for the Deaf was held at St. John Fisher College, August 9-11, they requested Palanca and attendance at the Holy Hour, Las Mananitas and Closures. WNY Cursillistas responded overwhelmingly.

At the September Secretariat Meeting, Fr. Barry Smith, Diocesan Spiritual Director since 1968, felt it was time to step down and proposed a search for his assistant. In addition to having been a professor at St. John Vianney Seminary for 5 years, he was assuming the directorship of the House of Prayer there at the beginning of 1974.

At the same meeting, Lay Coordinator Bill Rae announced that it was time to begin looking for an Assistant Lay Coordinator. He had held the office since September 1970.

According to Fr. Barry's and Bill's recommendations: Qualifications for a Spiritual Director should be: one who will give spiritual leadership to the movement and have the availability to the national and international movement.

Qualifications for Assistant Lay Coordinator required involvement in group reunions (4th Day) and one's spouse be dedicated and/or involved in the movement.

The idea was that the newly elected assistants become the current Leaders' successors (which set a precedent for several decades) and established a two-year term limit (which later varied from time to time).

At the November Secretariat Meeting, the main agenda was to choose a priest as the Assistant Diocesan Spiritual Director and a lay person as Assistant Lay Coordinator. After much discussion and prayer, the suggestion was made that the Secretariat members take a series of ballots. The first ballot contained several names for each office. After ten ballots, they had voted to declare the majority candidate as the consensus nominees.

“In choosing an assistant to the spiritual director, a letter announcing the appointment of an assistant will be sent to Bishop (Edward) Head with the request for an acknowledgment ratifying the appointment.” Minutes of the Secretariat Meeting, September 20, 1973 (P2)

In December, Bishop Head approved the appointments of Fr. Pete Szafran (Men's #15) as Assistant Diocesan Spiritual Director of the Buffalo Cursillo Movement and Ralph Roll (Men's #11) as Assistant Lay Coordinator. Both men had been on the Secretariat since 1970 (including Ralph's wife Joan – Women's #4), had worked many weekends, served in several Cursillo Sections, and taught at Leader' School. They would take office in the Spring.

By the end of 1973, Buffalo had held 12 Cursillo weekends. The Secretariat had projected this program of expansion as its contribution to the renewal in the diocese campaign. Despite the fact

that 500 Cursillistas had made their weekend in 1973, the growth of Ultreyas had been minimal. There weren't the candidates with high potential for leadership in key environments and fewer priests were involved. Weekends weren't running smoothly, there were problems with personal Palanca and mob scenes at Closings. The Leadership had to rethink its reasons for more weekends going into 1974.

"It was a gallant try and worth the effort. We learned from this experience, something about the level of activity we can support without sacrificing depth. Now the time has come to fall back, regroup, and try to discern at the January Leaders' Workshop what the Lord is asking of us in 1974." - Bill Rae "Buffalo Cursillo Newsletter" December, 1973 (P1).

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Pre-Cursillo Report:

The ways of the Lord; those paths so frequently simple and unexpected by which Our Lord wants to approach a soul or an environment.

To Find, Make Level, Make Straight, the Ways of the Lord



It should be the constant and responsible concern of a Christian to find others who are searching in their faith.

They must be found in prayer, in contact with the person involved, and in joint consideration of the problem, all done with the unselfish interest always so necessary for apostolic understanding.

Your candidates are at the starting point.

Together, all of us are what hold the new candidates up in prayer. We collectively know the principle that not everybody can do everything, but everyone can do something. Our candidates have many abilities, and we should offer the opportunity to shine as bright lights that fill empty spaces.

As fisher of men, you have cast out the nets, now let's help hold the baskets your good fishing has provided.

Make your sacrifice for the Men's weekend a prayerful sacrifice. Do your Palanca and let your candidate know you are praying for them and offering up your sacrifice. Share with your Ultreya the need for community Palanca and prayerful support. Above all be there for your candidate. Come to the closing and support your candidate and take them to the Fourth Day dinner with your Ultreya. They will be a well and your Ultreya will help fill it.

The Pre Cursillo is a field; it is plowing fertilizing the ground so that the falling seed may find rich friendly soil. Even then, as the Gospels point out, it will happen that some seeds produce thirty, some sixty, and some a hundred to one.

The Buffalo Cursillo Community is the loving care that is offered up in prayer and sacrifice for the team and candidates of the Men's weekend, May 4-7 and the Women's weekend, May 18-21.



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Cursillo Section:

The Men's Spring Cursillo Weekend is just around the corner, May 4–7. And the Women's Spring Cursillo Weekend is shortly thereafter, May 18–21. There are enough candidates to go forward with both weekends. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for kindling the candidates with the fire of your love, with more flames of love to surely be felt during the weekends. And thank you to all who have prayed for candidates to come forward.

Everyone in the Cursillo Section has worked very hard in anticipation of both weekends. But, **DO NOT STOP PRAYING!** We all know that the candidates and all the teams of presenters and workers will be coming under attack by the evil one to prevent the weekends from happening or obstruct the smooth operation of all facets of the weekend. Pray for the good health and safety of everyone who will be working the weekend; pray for the families they will be leaving in order to attend the weekend and pray for our priests and deacons who have made time in their busy schedules to serve. Also pray for the Cursillo weekends occurring across the United States and internationally. A list of those weekends appears below.

As always, everything is falling into place and if there is a shift in course, it will be addressed with the help of God. Let us remember that sometimes things do not go according to plan because His ways may not be our ways.

Peace and DeColores!

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Buffalo Men's Team #230 Members

Stefan Mychajliw – Rector/Total Security

Greg Wilttrout – Ideals

Mark Schweizer – Study

Jerry Scherer – Leader

Chuck DiMaria – CCA

Alex Hartman – Warden

Joe Beinhauer – Assistant Rector/Piety

Mike Emery – Study

Scott Arnold – Action

Tom Hall – Environment

Ed Hackett – 4th Day

Mark Suchyna – Warden

Scott McLaughlin – Warden

John Jaskolka – Liturgist

Rob Gill – Liturgist

Spiritual Advisors: Deacon Alex Manunta & Deacon Dave Clabeaux

Buffalo Women's Team # 231 Members

Catherine Friedman - Rector/Total Security

Diane Putt - Assistant Rector/Piety

Charlene Huegel - Ideals

Diane Reese - Laity

Audrey DiMaria - Study

Sherry Misso - Action

Del Leaderstorf - Leaders

Ruth Hackett – Environments

Mary Beth Cucinotta - CCA

Kay Clabeaux - Warden

Tracy Ploetz - Warden

Kelly Gill - Warden

Jennifer Appenheimer - Liturgist

Shannon Niesyty - Liturgist

Mary Ann DeMaria - Cursillo beyond the 4th Day

Spiritual Advisors - Deacon Tom Friedman & Deacon Marc Leaderstorf

Post-Cursillo:

May will be a busy month for Cursillo with both a men's and women's weekend. As the Post Cursillo Section of Secretariat, we invite you to pay it forward by supporting the upcoming Cursillo weekends by inviting your Cursillo friends, Ultreyas, and small groups to pray, dedicate Palanca, cook or bring food for meals, and sing at the Saturday break-in and at Las Mananitas.

For the men's weekend, May 4th thru 7th:

- 1) All are encouraged to serenade the men Saturday, May 6th, by showing up at St. Vincent DePaul's (SVDP) by 7:30 PM. Use the doors between the church and school. After singing there will be a Holy Hour to support the Holy Spirit's workings.
- 2) MEN, and only men, are encouraged to arrive by 6:00 AM Sunday May 7th to wake up the men by serenading them for Las Mananitas.
- 3) All are encouraged to support the candidates and team by attending the Clausura (closing) at 3:00 PM on Sunday May 7th in the SVDP Church. Come hear the candidates witnessing on the weekend (my favorite), show them how large our Buffalo Cursillo community is, and invite them to your Ultreyas! The Clausura will not include grouping or a mass.

For the women's weekend, May 18th thru 21st:

- 1) Attend the support mass for the women's team on Saturday May 13th at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 4375 Harris Hill Rd, Williamsville. It will be part of the regular 4:30 PM mass at Nativity BVM.
- 2) All are encouraged to serenade the women Saturday, May 20th, by showing up at St. Vincent DePaul's (SVDP) by 7:30 PM. Use the doors between the church and school. After singing there will be a Holy Hour to support the Holy Spirit's workings.
- 3) WOMEN, and only women, are encouraged to arrive by 6:00 AM Sunday May 21th to wake up the women by serenading them for Las Mananitas.
- 4) All are encouraged to support the candidates and team by attending the Clausura (closing) at 3:00 PM on Sunday May 21st in the SVDP Church. Come hear the candidates witnessing on the weekend (my favorite), show them how large our Buffalo Cursillo community is, and invite them to your Ultreyas! The Clausura will not include grouping or a mass.

SAVE THE DATE #1 – June 17, 2023. Why? So, you and your Cursillo friends, Ultreyas and small groups can attend the 4th Day Dinner and Social, of course! Please come and welcome the new Cursillistas and bring a dish for the potluck dinner. Doors open at 6 PM, eat at 6:30 PM. Remember to bring plates, bowls, silverware, and a cup to eat with, otherwise you'll be using your fingers ... and you're not 3 years old. 😊

SAVE THE DATE #2 – August 5, 2023. Why? So, you can attend the Grand Ultreya with the whole Buffalo Cursillo Community. We have a committee (thank you!) and will schedule a planning meeting soon. As the details are worked out, we will share them.

Reunion masses are on hold for May since there are two Cursillo weekends, and on hold for June since there will be a 4th Day Dinner on June 17th.

If you sponsored a babe-chick or were a table leader on a recent weekend, please call the people you sponsored or who were at your table to personally invite them to support the men's and women's weekends this month. These Cursillo events may be their first, so let them know you are going (or carpool with them!) so that they will be more comfortable and likely to go!

Make a friend. Be a friend. Bring a friend.

Your Post Cursillo Coordinators,

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School of Leaders:

“The School of Leaders is a group of Christians who seek to be more committed and more united in order to accelerate the living of what is fundamental for being a Christian. This on-going unity is brought about in a climate of Group Reunion. These Christians seek a continual improvement in themselves, in the Cursillo Movement and in the environments in which they find themselves.”
(Paraphrased from *The Fundamental Ideas of the Cursillo Movement*).

Study comes in all shapes and sizes. Sometimes study comes when you least expect it. I was watching a Netflix series called “Warrior Nun”. I’m not recommending it. But interestingly, the title of each episode in the series is a reference to a bible scripture. For example, season 1 episode 7 is entitled “Ephesians 4:22-24”. Once I took notice of these titles, I felt the urge to go look up each scripture passage. I found many of them to be quite inspiring. Not only did I pause to try and discern the relationship of the scripture to the activity in the episode, but also how it might apply to myself. So, as I said, study can come when you least expect it. (Again, I am not recommending that you watch “Warrior Nun”. I might suggest that you don’t).

We have lots of Cursillo related activities in and around the Men’s and Women’s weekends in the month of May. It will be a busy month. So we will forego holding our School of Leaders in May. Our next school will be held on June 17th from 10:30am until 12:30pm. So please mark your calendars now!

In keeping with the goal of covering each of the 10 Topics of Cursillo, Sister Theresa Rutty will be coming from Rochester to give a doctrinal talk on the Cursillo topic of “Friendship.” In addition, I am working on getting our Cursillo weekend team selectors to put together a techniques talk that gives us insight into their role. It should be another exceptional study.

Our Buffalo Cursillo School of Leaders is your opportunity to grow in understanding of the Cursillo Movement.

“A Movement is only as good as its leaders are. It is not possible to have an authentic and fully effective Cursillo Movement unless it is served by a group of leaders who exemplify everything the Movement is supposed to be.” (LEADERS’S MANUAL pg.49)

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Prayer Request:

If you learn of a recently deceased Cursillista please notify Carol Stier at (71) 692-1606.

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Arthur Ruhland
Bob Yager
Cole Koons
Mike Matyas
Teresa Barone
Cathy Derrick
Corinne Giermek
Patrick Johnson
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Mary Mercurio
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Pam Hornung
Jean Claire Buchbinder
Chelsea Ellis
Laura & Angelo Ciavarella
Marie Gannon
Mike Ryan
Timothy McCann
Joan Roberts
Mary Flanagan
Bill Heidle
Dcn Joe Barr
Jim Youngers

Tim Heidle
Kathy O’Keefe
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Notify Marty Ruhland (716-481-0662), rdservices@roadrunner.com) for any names to add or remove from the prayer list.

List of International Cursillo Weekends in May:

5/7/2023	Women's 691 (English)	Orange, CA
5/7/2023	Women's 324 (English)	Manchester, NH
5/7/2023	Men's 220 (Spanish)	Fresno, CA
5/7/2023	Womens Cursillo (English)	San Jose, CA
5/7/2023	Men's 338 (English)	Corpus Christi, TX
5/7/2023	Women's 15 (Spanish)	Knoxville, TN
5/7/2023	Women's 15 (Spanish)	Knoxville, TN
5/7/2023	Men's 230 (English)	Buffalo, NY
5/7/2023	Men's 1220 (Spanish)	Caguas, PR
5/7/2023	Men's 16 (Spanish)	Lafayette, IN
5/7/2023	Women's 22 (Spanish)	Acarigua Araure, Portuguesa
5/7/2023	Women's 576 (Spanish)	Galveston-Houston, TX
5/7/2023	Men's 952 (English)	Phoenix, AZ
5/7/2023	Men's 220 (Spanish)	Fresno, CA
5/14/2023	Women's 23 (English)	Homokkomarom, Kaposvar
5/14/2023	Women's 256 (Spanish)	Sacramento, CA
5/14/2023	Women's 16 (Spanish)	Lafayette, IN
5/14/2023	Men's 67 (Spanish)	Wichita, KS
5/21/2023	Women's 231 (English)	Buffalo, NY
5/21/2023	Men's 693 (VietNameese)	Orange, CA
5/21/2023	Women's 6 (Spanish)	Evansville, IN
5/21/2023	Cursillo de Cursillos (Spanish)	Seattle, WA
5/21/2023	Women's Cursillos (Spanish)	Philadelphia, PA
5/21/2023	Men's 25 (English)	Kaposszentbenedek, Hungary
5/21/2023	Women Cursillo (English)	Gary, IN
5/21/2023	Men Cursillo (Spanish)	Laredo, TX
5/21/2023	Women's 953 (English)	Phoenix, AZ
5/28/2023	Women's 694 (VietNameese)	Orange, CA
5/28/2023	Women's 205 (Spanish)	Rockville Centre, NY
5/28/2023	Men's 74 (English)	Saint John, Miramichi NB
5/28/2023	Women's 205 (Spanish)	Rockville Centre, NY
5/28/2023	Women's 160 (Spanish)	Chihuahua, Chihuahua
5/28/2023	Men's 54 (Spanish)	Matagalpa, Nicaragua
5/28/2023	Men's 85 (English)	Santa Maria, RS
5/29/2023	Men's 127 (Spanish)	Oklahoma City, OK
5/29/2023	Men's 240 (Spanish)	San Diego, CA

Ultreya Schedule May 2023

Ultreya name Area served	Date	Time	Location	Contact Person
- <u>Bethany</u> Cheektowaga & surrounding area	- <u>5/9/2023</u> 2 nd Tuesday	7:00 PM	- <u>Zoom</u> Contact Lynn to be added to email list	<u>Lynn Lomanto</u> lomantolynn@gmail.com 585.409.4123
- <u>Come to the Well</u> Clarence area	- <u>5/16/2023</u> 3 rd Tuesday	7:00 PM	- <u>Member House</u> Contact Chris for location	<u>Jack & Christine Thomann</u> 716.583.2324 (Chris – m) 716.583.2320 (Jack – m) cmtpsalm139@gmail.com
- <u>Full of Grace</u> Elma area	<u>5/31/2023</u> Last Wednesday January - June September – October	7:00 PM	- <u>Member House</u> Contact Marty for location	<u>Marty Ruhland</u> rdservices@roadrunner.com (716) 481-0662 (m)
Pueblo de Paz Warsaw area	- <u>5/27/2023</u> Last Sunday	7:00 PM	- <u>St. Michael's Church</u> 171 N. Main St. Warsaw	Liz Wascak 585.237.5155 ewascak@yahoo.com
- <u>Rainbow Vineyard</u> North towns area	<u>5/9/2023</u> 2 nd Tuesday	7:00 PM	- <u>St. Jude the Apostle Parish</u> 800 Niagara Falls Blvd North Tonawanda	<u>Carolyn McMamara</u> 716.867.8962
	<u>5/23/2023</u> 4 th Tuesday	7:00 PM		<u>Carolyn Ruhland</u> 716.912.2890 caruhl73@Verizon.net
- <u>Southtowns</u> South towns area	none in May 1 st Thursday	7:00 PM	Member House Contact Lisa for location	<u>Lisa & Paul Johnson</u> 585.313.0853 (m – Lisa)
	none in May 3 rd Thursday	7:00 PM		lisagauthie1@gmail.com
<u>Spirit of the City</u> City of Buffalo	<u>No Meeting</u> (inactive)		-	

Upcoming Cursillo Dates

REUNION MASSES	
<p>Date: TBD Time: 7:00pm Place: Host: Presider:</p>	<p>Date: TBD Time: 7:00pm Place: Host: Presider:</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Men's Weekend #230</u> <u>May 4-7, 2023</u></p> <p>5/3 - Set-up Men's Weekend @ 5:30 pm, St. Vincent DePaul's Parish, Springbrook 5/4 – Registration from 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm Sponsors & community stay for prayer service at 8 pm. 5/6 - Break In 7:30 pm (corrected time) 5/7 – Las Mananitas – 6 am (Men only) - 3 pm Community Gathering with Closura (no mass) ALL welcome 6/17 – 4th Day Dinner; Potluck @ St. Vincent's doors open at 6 pm. Dinner at 6:30 pm Entire Community Welcome</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Women's Weekend #231</u> <u>May 18-21, 2023</u></p> <p>5/13 Support Mass for Women's Team, 4:30 pm Mass at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Williamsville 5/17 - Set-up Women's Weekend @ 5:30 pm, St. Vincent DePaul's Parish, Springbrook 5/18 – Registration from 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm Sponsors & community stay for prayer service at 8 pm. 5/20 - Break In 7:30 pm (corrected time) 5/21 – Las Mananitas – 6 am (Women only) - 3 pm Community Gathering with Closura (no mass) ALL welcome 6/17 – 4th Day Dinner; Potluck @ St. Vincent's doors open at 6 pm. Dinner at 6:30 pm Entire Community Welcome</p>
OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY	
<p>School of Leaders (Workshops) Topic: See School of Leaders article Date: June 17, 2023 Time: 10:30 AM - 12 noon Location: Church of the Annuciation, 7580 Clinton St., Elma Organizer: Marty Ruhland (716)481-0662 For additional information please see the School of Leaders article in the newsletter</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A Day of Gentle Reflection</p> <p>Gentle Women, Mother of Mercy - Chapter of Magnificat Saturday, June 10th, 2023 Speaker - Bishop Michael Fisher M Hotel Buffalo 2040 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga, NY 14225 Details and registration at: https://magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/chapter-states-n-o/ny-buffalo/</p>