



Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love...

Living Our Fourth Day...

FIRST QUARTER, 2018

CRAWFORD COUNTY CURSILLO

2017 Fourth Quarter Events...

October – Thanks to Pat and Chris Burroughs for organizing this Ultreya which had over 30 participants and for hosting our Holy Hour this month. Both of these Cursillo Events were “Spirit Filled”!

November – Thanks to Our Lady Queen of the Americas Parish Coordinator Linda Wasson and all of the parish Cursillistas for their service in hosting our Ultreya and Holy Hour. A special thanks to Fr. David Carter for celebrating our Mass and our musicians who always add a “ Joyful Spirituality” to our events. A group of 30 Cursillistas gathered to celebrate this event.

December – Thanks to Jim and Wendy Hess as well as Kathy LaScola, Ted Jastromb, Mary Holzer, and our Co-coordinators Kay and Carl Hotchkiss and Bill and Mary Ellen Stumpf for organizing our Annual Christmas Celebration. A special Thanks to Fr. Tom Trocchio who celebrated this Mass and Deacon Ken Reisenweber who offered a beautiful homily. 52 Cursillistas came together to celebrate this final 2017 Cursillo Event. The \$182.00 donated will be used to help offset expenses in Crawford County in 2018.

2018 Information – We want to Thank our Newsletter Team for agreeing to continue in their roles ensuring we get the Crawford County Newsletters out on a timely basis! Therefore we say “ Thank You” to Desi Wagner and Jim Hess for ensuring we keep all of our Cursillo Family in Crawford County up to date for another year. Anyone interested in joining this team is most Welcome! Just contact Desi or Jim and know this help will be welcomed with open arms! We also want to thank our Co-Coordinators Kay and Carl Hotchkiss and Mary Ellen and Bill Stumpf for their service in now their FIFTH Year! They continue to share their unique gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure with our entire Cursillo Family. And Thank You once again to Sue Simonetta for her continued support and service as our County Treasurer. And Thank You to all of our Parish Coordinators for continuing to support the Ultreyas and Holy Hours at your individual parishes. Together with the constant help and guidance of the Holy Spirit these Cursillistas continue living out their “Fourth Days” to help build up this ‘Unique Method of Spirituality” we call Cursillo. God Bless you all!

Upcoming Events – Saturday February 10th there will be a **Day of Recollection** entitled “ Keeping the Longing Holy” held at St. Brigid in Meadville. There will be participants from around the Diocese at this first event and we will need your help to make this a successful event. If you are able to help with set-up, meals or clean up we ask you to please contact Jim Hess at 814-333-6586 as many hands make light work! If you are interested in attending a FUTURE day of recollection please let us know. And as always, please offer your prayers for the success of this Cursillo Event.

Sunday March 11th we will be hosting a “Letter writing Campaign” at St. Brigid in Meadville from 2:00 – 5:00 pm in the Social Hall. We will begin with a Prayer Service and then spend some time writing letters to family and friends that we would like to invite to Make a Cursillo Weekend. Bring your names and addresses and we will supply all writing materials, envelopes and stamps and we will mail all the letters at the end of this day. Please come and join us for this Special Event. The next Secretariat Meeting will be held on February 24th, 2018 at 9:00 am at St. Andrew Church (1116 West 7th Street, Erie PA 16502) and Everyone is Welcome to attend. If you plan to attend please RSVP to Jim and Wendy Hess (333-6586, jimandwendyhess@zoominternet.net) by February 20th so we can plan the correct amount of food to have available.

Please see the calendar below for all events scheduled in 2018.

JANUARY

No events scheduled.
Please pray for our upcoming year.

FEBRUARY

Day of Recollection
Saturday, February 10, 2018
St. Brigid (Meadville)
Theme: Keeping the Longing Holy!

MARCH

St. Brigid (Meadville)
Ultreya—March 11, 2:00-5:00pm
Letter writing event
Bring your list of potential candidates to invite to make a Cursillo.

APRIL

St. Hippolyte (Guys Mills)
Ultreya—April 13, 7:00pm
Holy Hour—April 21, 7:00pm
Men’s #244 (Harborcreek PA)
April 19 –22, 2018

MAY

St. Peter (Conneautville)
Ultreya—May 11, 7:00pm
Holy Hour—May 19, 7:00pm
Women’s #251 (Harborcreek PA)
May 17-20, 2018

JUNE

St. Titus (Titusville)
Ultreya—June 15, 7:00pm
Holy Hour—June 23, 7:00pm
Men’s #245 (St. Marys PA)
June 21-24, 2018

JULY

St. Philip (Linesville)
Ultreya—July 13, 7:00pm
Holy Hour—July 21, 9:00pm
in Mercer County
Women’s #252 (Kennedy Catholic)
July 19-22, 2018

AUGUST

Summer Family Picnic
August 4th, 2018 in Harborcreek
Let’s Celebrate With All Of Our
Diocesan Cursillistas!
Look for more details in
upcoming newsletters

AUGUST

****Crawford County Hosts This Weekend**
at St. Philip (Linesville)
Ultreya—in August at the Picnic
Holy Hour—August 18, 9:00pm
Men’s #246 (Linesville PA)
August 16-19, 2018

OCTOBER

St. Mary of Grace (Meadville)
Ultreya—October 12, 7:00pm
Holy Hour—October 20, 7:00pm
Women’s #253 (Harborcreek PA)
October 18-21, 2018

NOVEMBER

Our Lady Queen of the Americas
(Conneaut Lake)
Ultreya—November 9, 7:00pm
Holy Hour—November 17, 7:00pm
Men’s #247 (Harborcreek PA)
November 15-17, 2018

DECEMBER

St. Brigid (Meadville)
Annual Holiday Gathering
December 8, 6:00pm Mass
Food & Fellowship to follow
Come Join Us!

NEWSLETTER TEAM

Jim Hess
814-333-6586
Desi Wagner
814-789-3621

MOVING

If you are moving,
please call in your
new address to Desi or
email dtwod@windstream.net

WANT TO WORK ON A TEAM?

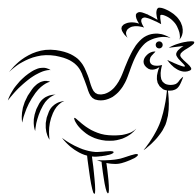
Contact Jim and Wendy
Hess at 814-333-6586.

PALANCA

Deliver your Palanca to the St. Brigid Church
Office by **Noon on Thursday** of any Cursillo
weekend. If the office is closed, just leave it
on the door and be sure it’s marked “Palanca.”

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THE COORDINATORS CORNER

Hi everyone and HAPPY NEW YEAR.! Well another year has passed and GOD has been good to us. We have had a fantastic CURSILLO year with Ultreya and Holy Hour attendance up. Despite many conflicting activities our Holiday Gathering was a great success as usual. We started with MASS celebrated by Father Tom and Deacon Ken, our spiritual director, gave a wonderful message as only Ken can do. Fellowship followed with a wonderful meal with much food, fellowship, Christmas stories by Bill Stumpf, and singing of Christmas carols. There were presentations of gifts to every one . There were also presentations to Cursillistas of poinsetas that helped make our year a success. We also had several Cursillistas from Erie County attending. Please mark your calendars for our 2018 Holiday Gathering, which will be on Dec. 8, for another time of joy as we celebrate the birth of our savior, JESUS CHRIST, on Christmas day. We want to express our THANKS to those who recruited, sponsored and tried to get candidates. Let us make 2018 a better year for GOD.

Yours in the service of CHRIST, Carl and kay Hotchkiss, William and Mary Ellen Stumpf, Crawford County Co-Coordinator

LAY ADVISORS COMMENTS

Happy New Year to all of our Crawford County Cursillo Family! We want to say "Thank You" in a special way to Fr. Dan Prez who has agreed to be one of our Crawford County Spiritual Advisors in 2018 and Thank You to Deacon Ken Reisenweber who continues to serve in this same role again in 2018. We welcome you with open arms and look forward to working with you in this New Year!

We will continue to serve as Lay advisors in Crawford County in 2018. We continue to pray each day that this "Unique Method of Spirituality" we call Cursillo will continue to grow and thrive in 2018. As we start this new year, we pray that each Cursillista continues to live out our Fourth days with "Open" and "Joy Filled Hearts" as we work to help build the Kingdom of God here in Crawford County.

We were able to bring 17 new Cursillistas into our Crawford County family in 2017 and we pray that the Holy Spirit will help us bring even more people to "Meet the Person of Jesus Christ" through Cursillo this year. We have many Events scheduled in 2018 and we hope to see you many times throughout this year. Keep Praying, Keep smiling and know you are always in our thoughts and prayers.

DeColores, Jim and Wendy Hess

NEWSLETTER DONATIONS

It costs the Cursillo in Crawford County approximately \$80 each time we send out our newsletter by email and US Postal service with costs still going up. (That's with paper and printing donated!) Please consider getting the newsletter sent by email if you have an email address. Contact Desi Wagner at dtwod@windstream.net to change to email delivery.

Regardless, please consider making a donation for our mailing costs (postal mail & email subscription).

No amount is too large or too small! Thank you in advance for your support.

Donations can be mailed to: Sue Simonetta — 11217 N. Watson Run Road — Conneaut Lake, PA 16316.

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| | Deacon Ken Reisenweber | 333-4459 |
| County Coordinators: | Bill & Mary Ellen Stumpf | 827-1909 |
| | Carl & Kay Hotchkiss | 425-3933 |
| Lay Advisory Couple: | Jim & Wendy Hess | 333-6586 |
| <i>Parish Coordinators:</i> | | |
| Catholic Comm. of Titusville: | Bill & Mary Ellen Stumpf | 827-1909 |
| Saint Agatha: | Jeff Choffel | 333-8220 |
| Saint Anthony: | <i>needed</i> | |
| Saint Bernadette: | <i>needed</i> | |
| Saint Brigid: | Rich Bowden | 853-9636 |
| Saint Hippolyte: | Brian LeSuer & Kelly Stephens | 789-4031 |
| Saint Mary of Grace: | Pat & Chris Burroughs | 337-4400 |
| Saint Peter: | Dan & Maryann Lukowich | 587-6338 |
| Saint Philip: | Patty Poff | 724-927-2462 |
| Our Lady Queen of the Americas: | Linda Wasson | 333-9117 |

PRAYER DEPARTMENT

Please pray for all those in need of prayer, especially for:

- Mary Holzer
- all who have died, especially Fred Crowley
- an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life
- for those serving in the military and emergency personnel

SEND YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND SPONSOR SHEETS TO:

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