

THE GOOD NEWS

FEB 2009

MARCH ULTREYA

Place: Our Lady of Hope

Date: March 19, 2009

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Moderator: Gary Leathead

Opening Prayer: Dow Woodward

Readings: Shawn Salamida

Witness: Greg Lilly

REFRESHMENTS: Everyone

Please bring finger foods or snacks to share!



AREA 4 ULTREYA

- ❖ Church of the Epiphany
- ❖ Our Lady Star of the Sea
- ❖ Our Lady of Hope
- ❖ Our Lady of Lourdes
- ❖ Prince of Peace
- ❖ Sacred Heart/St. Gerard Mission
- ❖ The Basilica of St. Paul

LENT Reflection: Ashes

The use of ashes as a sign of penitence and remorse is rooted in Jewish tradition.

This Jewish penitential practice carried over into Christianity. In one early Church custom dating back to the fourth century, those who had committed serious sin would present themselves to their bishop on Ash Wednesday, and he sprinkled ashes onto their hair shirts. The penitent would then spend the rest of Lent wearing the hair shirt as a public display of sinfulness.

The Ash Wednesday custom of placing ashes on the forehead became universal in the 11th century. In the 12th century, the practice began of burning the palm branches of the previous year to make the ashes.

After the 16th-century Reformation, most Protestant churches did away with this custom, along with many other external practices of the Catholic Church. However, in recent decades, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Methodist and Episcopal churches have reinstated the use of ashes as part of their liturgical renewal.

Ash Wednesday—reprinted from The Little Black Book 2009



FEBRUARY ULTREYA

The February Ultreya was celebrated with a Mass. Father John O’Sullivan and Deacon Michael Pettit were the celebrants. Deacon Mike read the gospel, Mark 8:27-33--Whom Do You Proclaim I Am? This gospel tells of Jesus asking the disciples, “Who do people say I am?” The gospel continues with Jesus speaking to His disciples about His own death.

Father John gave the homily and stated that the work we do as Cursillistas is important, and that we need to take it seriously. Father John went on to say that we would know Jesus by reading the Bible and that we should try to read from it daily.

Refreshments and fellowship followed.



ALMSGIVING

Giving alms, Jesus teaches, means making the needs of others our own, especially the needy of our world. They are all around us: children and the old, the sick and the suffering, families and individuals, next-door neighbors and people in lands faraway.

We easily forget them. Rather than just looking out for ourselves — what people say today — see those in need, Jesus says. Giving will make you live.

And what shall we give? Some time, some of our talent, material resources, perhaps. Almsgiving is not just for the rich. Poor or rich, we all have something to give.

Whatever we give, though, should be something of ourselves, something that costs us. Paradoxically, Jesus also teaches, when we give, we receive some blessing from God in return.

What shall we give to the needy this lent? In deciding, decide generously. After all, before us is the great alms Jesus gave: “He loved us, and gave himself up for us.” - *The Spirit of Lent* by Victor Hoagland, C.P.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



- ❖ Men's Weekend #83 is March 5 - 8; team members are Paul Bartholomew, Lou Rego, Michael Willems and Dow Woodward.
- ❖ Women's Weekend #91 is March 19 - 22; team members are Kathy Salamida (Rectora), Evelyn Acker, Sherry Bartholomew, Joyce Dobrozensky, Cathy King, Judy Neely, Beth Roberts, Teddy Scheffer, Liz Ziner and Deacon Tom Tagye.
- ❖ At present, we have 6 candidates - 3 Men and 3 Women! You can view the entire list of candidates and teams at www.orlandocursillo.org
- ❖ **Please remember PALANCA!** You may drop off at the church office and ask that it be placed in the CURSILLO mailbox.
- ❖ Fourth Day is set for Saturday, March 28th at St. Margaret Mary in Winter Park. If you need directions, please let us know. Please consider attending so our area may well be represented! There will also be a School of Leaders break-out session led by Fr. David Kaczmarek, which should be of interest to everyone.

BABE CHICK DINNER



Babe Chick dinner is scheduled for **Saturday, April 4th**; begins with 6:00 PM Mass, followed by the Babe Chick Pot Luck Dinner in the Parish Center.

Please bring a dish corresponding with the first letter of your last name:



A – H – Dessert



I – P – Salad or Veggies



Q – Z – Side Dish (Rice, Noodles, Potatoes, Pasta)

****All dishes should serve 8 – 10 people. Meat and drinks will be provided****

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

Lectio Divina



In his 2009 LENTEN MESSAGE: Pope Benedict XVI has recommended the practice known as *Lectio Divina* as a focus for our Lenten prayer. Auxiliary Bishop Richard J. Sklba of Milwaukee, writing about the [Synod on the Word of God in the Life and Mission of the Church](#), defines *Lectio Divina* as follows:

“Lectio Divina, or “Divine Reading” is an ancient practice developed by the early monks to make reading the Bible an attractive experience. A common method would suggest that an individual, or even better a small group of people, listen to a passage read aloud ... or read it themselves. The participants first point out any word that struck them. Then they hear the same passage once more, and expand from a word to an idea reflected in the passage. After a third reading the members of the group take time to describe briefly about how the passage speaks to them and how it might throw light upon the work or worries of their lives.”

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The Lorica of St. Patrick

May Christ shield me today
 so that I may fulfill my mission
 and bear fruit in abundance.
 Christ behind and before me,
 Christ behind and above me,
 Christ with me and in me,
 Christ around and about me,
 Christ on my right and on my left,
 Christ when I lie down at night,
 Christ when I rise in the morning,
 Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
 Christ in the mouth of everyone that speaks of me,
 Christ in every eye that sees me,
 Christ in every ear that hears me.

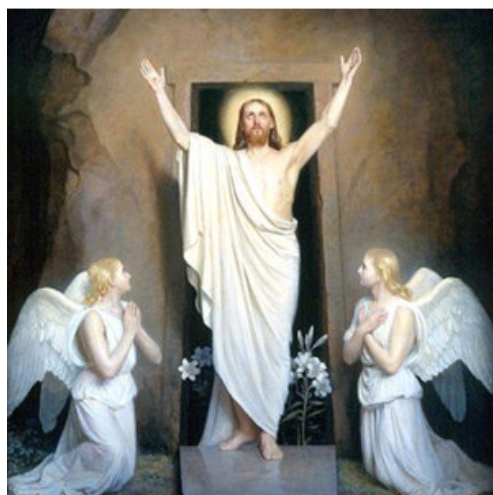
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PLEASE PAUSE AND PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING CURSILLISTAS




May He Rest In Peace

Joseph Sciortino
Cursillista
Church of the Epiphany



-  **Daniel Knight**
-  **Joanna Swart**
-  **Donna DeMarsh**
-  **Joyce Mead**
-  **John Walsh**
-  **Rae Sholette**
-  **Regina Cumbie**
-  **Joyce Dobrozensky**
-  **Herb Dobrozensky**
-  **Dee Ferrell**
-  **Doris Jarvis**
-  **Ruthann Rose**
-  **Flora Poniatowski**
-  **Ellie Dorion**
-  **Marion Hecker**
-  **Bill Andrasco**
-  **Isabelle Liberatore**
-  **Alice Andrasco**
-  **John Barbery**
-  **Chuck Knichel**

LENT 2009 CALENDAR

	
<u>Ash Wednesday</u>	February 25
<u>Week One</u>	March 1
<u>Week Two</u>	March 8
<u>Week Three</u>	March 15
<u>Week Four</u>	March 22
<u>Week Five</u>	March 29
<u>Palm Sunday</u>	April 5
<u>Week Six / Passion Week</u>	April 5
<u>Maundy Thursday</u>	April 9
<u>Good Friday</u>	April 10
<u>Easter</u>	April 12