

# THE GOOD NEWS

August 2010

## AUGUST ULTREYA

*Place: Our Lady of Hope*

*Date: August 19, 2010*

*Time: 7:00 PM*

*Theme: How Do You Represent God To Your World?*

*Reading: Ezekiel 36:23-28*

*Led By: Grouping of Paul Bartholomew,*

*Gary Leathead, Greg Lilly, Rick Cavallari,*

*Dow Woodward, Michael Willems*

*Refreshments: Everyone! Please bring*

*finger foods or snacks to share.*



**MAKE A NOTE!** For Cursillo

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## 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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Dates to Remember:

August 21—St. Margaret Mary—School of Leaders

October 7-10—Men's #86 (Jon Bean - Rector)

October 21-24—Women's #93 (Sue Milton - Rectora)

November 6—St. Margaret Mary—4<sup>th</sup> Day Reunion & School of Leaders

November 13—Babe Chick Dinner

Spiritual Fitness Retreat - follow-up to the 2010 Men's Conference is August 28 - 29; cost is \$175 for a double room and \$225 for a private room, all meals included. To register visit [www.floridacatholicmen.org](http://www.floridacatholicmen.org).

### PALANCA INTENTIONS:

Mondays - National, Regional, and Diocesan Secretariats

Tuesdays - Schools of Leaders

Wednesdays - Cursillistas in the United States

Thursdays - National Cursillo® Movement's Apostolic Actions

Fridays - Cursillo Weekends

Saturdays - OMCC and NACG Executive Committee

It is not too early to start preparing your prospective candidates for the fall weekends. If you need a copy of the "Cursillo - What Is It" booklet for your prospective candidates, please contact Patti or Mike at 322-6920 or [pattiwillems@cfl.rr.com](mailto:pattiwillems@cfl.rr.com).

## ***JULY ULTREYA***

The July Ultreya was an instructional evening which began with a prayer to the Holy Spirit led by John Barbery, who served as the moderator. After the song “Here I Am Lord,” Joe Losch led us in a prayer: Jesus Help Me. RuthAnn Rose read the scripture Matthew 11:28-30, which states that Jesus frees people from all their burdens. The rest that Jesus promises is love, healing, and peace with God, not the end of all labor. A relationship with God changes meaningless, wearisome toil into spiritual productivity and purpose.

The instructional portion of the evening was led by Mary Barbery who gave the piety talk, the first leg of the tripod. Mary began with the story of St. Paul of Tarsus who was so zealous for his Jewish beliefs that he began a persecution campaign against anyone who believed in Christ. As he traveled to Damascus, pursuing Christians, he was confronted by the risen Christ and brought face to face with the truth of the Good News. Paul refers to this experience as the start of his new life in Christ, with Jesus Christ at the center.

Piety is our on-going relationship with God; living a life of Grace. True authentic piety is being Christian, being Christ like; directing your whole life to God. On the other hand, false piety is merely doing Christian things for the sake of being Christian. Examples of false piety are:

- Holy Hannahs – these are people who fail to see their responsibility to family because they are doing so many things for the church. If this is all there is to their piety, it is not true authentic piety.
- Mechanical Millies and Routine Ritas – their piety is an external link; they go to church on Sundays because that is what is expected; their God is a God of fear and their belief is not internal.
- Pharisees (Modern Day) – their virtue is self-righteous and they are concerned about projecting the right image (beautiful on the outside, decayed on the inside). They honor God with their words, but their hearts are far away. They attempt to use religion for their own goals.

By being complacent we all can be one of these. However, we must remember that true authentic piety is the direction of our whole life to God. God must come first; living a life of Grace. This can be accomplished by:

- Life in Christ – directing our whole life to God; a total awareness of God’s presence in our lives
- Life of Consciousness – aware of our loving father, unconditional love, aware of him in all people – life that is growing closer to God, trusting in him.
- Life that is Shared – to be open and honest with people; helping people to grow in Christ.

There are three elements of true authentic piety:

- Knowing
- Wanting
- Doing

As well as three marks of piety:

- Courage – takes courage to show true authentic piety
- Natural – being yourself
- Vibrant – living life fully and deeply

Spiritual acts, such as attending mass, praying the rosary, reading scripture and meditation, help attain true authentic piety.



***God Bless You!***

***Your Ultreya Area #4 Coordinators***

***Patti and Mike***

**GET READY, SET, BLOOM!**

**Excerpted from the  
National Cursillo Newsletter  
August, 2007**

Dear brother and sister Cursillistas:

As we continue our journey toward our Heavenly Father – we must remember that every human person longs for something beyond his understanding and desires to be whole. When the disciples asked Jesus, “Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples” (Lk 11:1), they were genuinely desirous of knowing how to reach out to God, so that they might express their longing for Him, and thus find the peace that the restless human heart seeks.

The Cursillos in Christianity enables all Cursillistas to learn about, enter into, and remain within, this life long journey towards our Heavenly Father, through its methodology of piety, study, and action. This tripod of interiority defines how we, precisely as Cursillistas, live out our daily commitment to our relationship with God, with our selves, and with others. This internal tripod guides how we live relationships, is mirrored in our daily witness, and shared in our Friendship Group Reunions and at Ultreyas. This living out of what is fundamentally basic to being a Christian – made possible only through the grace of God – is what enables us to proclaim the Gospel – not only through the spoken or written word, but also through our actions; the way we who claim to love Jesus Christ, interact and seek to directly communicate Him to others.

Once this relationship with Jesus Christ is discovered, nourished, and incarnated in our very being, we are charged throughout with the grace of God and become the transmitters of God’s unconditional love for all of humanity. This transformation of the self which we know as “metanoia” is a conscious, ever-growing and radical change of mind and heart. “Metanoia” is not just a significant change in our lives, but more of a surrendering of our will so as to enable us to persevere in Christ in order to live out God’s Divine Will. It is essential that we know ourselves in order to know God. As St. Augustine reminds us, “Lord Jesus, let me know myself and know you.” To be able to fulfill this desire requires a complete conversion of our minds and of our hearts.

The Cursillista who is open to receiving the fullness of the Spirit, and connecting through Christ with God, becomes a transmitter, and is able to reach fulfillment by communicating oneself to others. Those who live for others will receive a great deal from others; essentially, those things of value which are eternal. One of the main reasons for our existence in the world is to be People of God who love and who live for other people. As witnesses of God’s love for humanity we must love God in the present moment. This is what is meant when we say that we are to be God’s messenger.

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Victor Lugo  
National Executive Director





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**Centering Prayer Retreat**

August 6-8, 2010, \$175 includes private room and 5 meals

This retreat is open to anyone desiring to live a more contemplative prayer life; to those who already practice a form of contemplative prayer and for those who would like to deepen their prayer life.

**Leader** Basha Perez

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**PLEASE PAUSE AND PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING CURSILLISTAS**



-  **Daniel Knight**
-  **Joanna Swart**
-  **Joyce Mead**
-  **Rae Sholette**
-  **Regina Cumbie**
-  **Joyce Dobrozensky**
-  **Herb Dobrozensky**
-  **Doris Jarvis**
-  **Ruthann Rose**
-  **Ellie Dorion**
-  **Marion Hecker**
-  **Bill Andrasco**
-  **Alice Andrasco**
-  **Jim Kisthardt**
-  **Joan Lilly**
-  **Moya Meneely**
-  **Helen McCartin**
-  **Jacob Anthony Losch**
-  **Liz Ziner**
-  **Jack Barr**



## Mike's Minute!

### RECALL NOTICE

The Maker of all human beings (GOD) is recalling all units manufactured, regardless of make or year, due to a serious defect in the primary and central component of the heart. This is due to a malfunction in the original prototype units' code named Adam and Eve, resulting in the reproduction of the same defect in all subsequent units. This defect has been technically termed "Sub-sequential Internal Non-Morality," or more commonly known as S.I.N., as it is primarily expressed.

*Some of the symptoms include* loss of direction, foul vocal emissions, amnesia of origin, lack of peace and joy, selfish or violent behavior, depression or confusion in the mental component, fearfulness, idolatry, rebellion.

The Manufacturer, who is neither liable nor at fault for this defect, is providing factory-authorized repair and service free of charge to correct this defect.

The Repair Technician, **JESUS**, has most generously offered to bear the entire burden of the staggering cost of these repairs. There is no additional fee required.

The number to call for repair in all areas is: **P-R-A-Y-E-R**.  
Once connected, please upload your burden of **SIN** through the **REPENTANCE** procedure. Next, download **ATONEMENT** from the Repair Technician, **Jesus**, into the heart component.

No matter how big or small the SIN defect is, **Jesus** will replace it with: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self Control.

Please see the operating manual, the **B.I.B.L.E.** (Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth) for further details on the use of these fixes.

**WARNING:** Continuing to operate the human being unit without correction voids any manufacturer warranties, exposing the unit to dangers and problems too numerous to list and will result in the human unit being permanently impounded. For free emergency service, call on **Jesus**.

**DANGER:** The human being units not responding to this recall action will have to be scrapped in the furnace. The SIN defect will not be permitted to enter Heaven so as to prevent contamination of that facility. Thank you for your attention!

**- GOD**

P.S. Please assist where possible by notifying others of this important recall notice, and you may contact the Father any time by 'Knee mail'!

*AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>*  
*ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY*



Almighty and everlasting God,  
You have taken up body and soul  
into the heavenly glory the Immaculate Virgin Mary,  
Mother of Your Son: Grant, we beseech You,  
that, ever intent upon heavenly things,  
we may be worthy to be partakers of her glory.  
Through Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, forever and ever. Amen.

*From the Roman Missal*

