



The Abrazo

The newsletter of The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo

FALL 2023

A Message From the MD 116 Weekend Rector

He is not God of the dead, but of the living. You are quite wrong. Mark 12:27

Dictionary.com describes chaos as, “a state of utter confusion or disorder; a total lack of organization or order; any confused, disorderly mass.” However, the Hebrew translation conveys the idea of “emptiness, waste, desolation and void. Sinking into obscurity, becoming nothingness, falling prey to weakness.” For the last three years, it seems like that whole world has fallen prey to weakness. COVID lockdowns left us empty and desolate. Constant turmoil in the news gave us that feeling of sinking into obscurity. Many thought, God must be dead. As the world emerges from the last three years of chaos, I couldn't help thinking about kintsugi—the Japanese art of putting broken pottery pieces back together with gold. We are the broken pottery, and the God who lives in us is the gold that holds us together. God is the gold that is putting the shard pieces of the world back together.

The weekend theme is taken from the Newsboys song, “God's Not Dead.” Our God continues to perform miracles as he fills us with a love so “bold to bring a revolution somehow!” As our team comes together to prepare for Weekend 116, please open your hearts in prayer for the team and the candidates that are being called to experience this deeper walk with God.

De Colores!
— Brenda Boucher, MD 101
Weekend Rector, MD 116

Prayer for the Gift of the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your Love.

Send forth Your Spirit and we shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful,

Grant that by that same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy Your consolations;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



The purpose of Cursillo is to help those in the Church understand their individual callings to be Christian leaders.




MARYLAND EPISCOPAL CURSILLO WEEKEND 116

God is Not Dead! November 2-5, 2023

TEAM MEMBERS

TEAM MEMBER	PARISH	ROLE	ROLLO
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MARYLAND EPISCOPAL CURSILLO WEEKEND 116

God is Not Dead! November 2-5, 2023

CANDIDATES

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Pete Stark	St. Luke's, Eastport	Anne Arms, N CA 105	St. Luke's, Eastport



The MD 116 Prayer Chart
is now [online!](#)

Please consider [clicking here](#) and signing up for a time to help cover the entire weekend, the team, and candidates in prayer!

ULTREYA!



Writing Palanca!

Palanca is a Spanish word that means "lever." Just as a lever enables a person to move something which is beyond normal strength, palanca, empowers the accomplishment of things which would not be possible without the Grace of God. The purpose of palanca is to serve as God's arms and hands in the lives of the candidates on the weekend by extending the grace which has so freely been extended to us.

Personal palanca is most frequently demonstrated in brief notes of encouragement that are meant solely for the recipient. Remember, though, that it is not these notes themselves that are the actual Palanca, but the thoughts and prayers that go into the notes from those individuals and communities living in union with Christ. Each Palanca note is a personal expression of reassurance that God accepts the candidate wherever he or she is on their spiritual journey. Consider including a reference to encouraging scripture that reminds the candidate of God's promise or confirmation that you are praying for them during their Weekend. You can include small items that fit into the envelope, such as cards, bookmarks, and pins.



General palanca is expressed through gifts of food or snacks in support of the Weekend, decorating team shirts, providing flowers, crocheting lanyards for candidate crosses, signing up for the prayer chart or any number of other things that the Weekend Rector may indicate are needed.

Consider donating your time for Service palanca such as assisting with the setup and cleanup of special events during the Weekend or running errands for the Rector and team members. There are usually many opportunities that require your gift of time.

It is easy to get caught up in the daily demands on our time and forget to prepare palanca for candidates or team members. But think back to your personal reaction to the palanca you've received in the past - especially during your Weekend - and to how very much it meant to you. Remember your amazement at such a concrete manifestation of the love that your family in Christ held for you - many of whom had not even met you personally at the time.

As we answer the Rector's call for prayers for the team and candidates, please think about the palanca you can provide in support of the upcoming MD 116 Weekend.

Ultreya!

Prayer Palanca Sent in Support of Other Weekends

Palanca was recently emailed in support of many upcoming weekends, including the following, for inclusion on their Palanca Wall. Please pray for these weekends. Requests for weekend palanca from The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo can be sent to MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com

- Diocese of West Texas, Cursillo #290, November 9, 2023
Diocese of East Carolina, Cursillo #103, November 9, 2023
Diocese of Northern California, Cursillo #118, November 16, 2023
Diocese of Massachusetts, Cursillo #149, November 16, 2023
Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast, Cursillo #170, March 7, 2023
Diocese of Florida, Women's Cursillo #146, March 7, 2023



4th Day Workshop – December 2, 2023

4th Day Workshop & Reunion Ultreya

A Day of Deeper Understanding

- I attended a Cursillo Weekend. Now what?
There was so much to absorb. What is most important?
Is Cursillo of real value in my spiritual life?
How can I share the experience I had with others?
How can I begin again?
How can I support Cursillo?

Saturday, December 2, 2023

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Highlands

12700 Hall Shop Road, Highland, MD 20777

301-854-2304

Click Here for Directions



Workshop: 10:00 a.m.

Lunch: 12:30 p.m.

Reunion Ultreya: 1:00-2:00 p.m.

All Cursillistas are welcome to attend!

Lunch will be provided!

Please confirm your plans to attend by contacting

MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com

MDEpiscopalCursillo.com



“In Memoriam”

The Cursillo Community mourns the death of every Cursillista who is called home to be with our Lord. Some years ago, Nancy Horkan, MD 55, had suggested that it would be a loving tribute to remember all of those Cursillistas who had died by reading their names during one of the Diocesan Ultreyas. Once that list had been compiled, it was agreed that it should also be published on the website, and the “[In Memoriam](#)” web page was established. We continue our efforts to keep the information on the page current.

Let us remain thankful for the many Cursillistas who faithfully served over the years and have now left us. Let us always be mindful of their willingness to do God’s work and thankful that they enriched the lives of so many. May they rest in peace in the loving arms of our Lord and Savior.

— Pamela Blyth, MD 92
MEC Communications Coordinator

*Kindly advise of us any needed corrections or additions to the “In Memoriam” page, especially any missing weekend numbers. Your help will be very much appreciated and serve as a loving gesture to one of our own who served so faithfully.
Information can be sent to MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com*

A Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Ministry of Presence

*God of our Fathers and Mothers, Brothers and Sisters we come before you
in the spirit of humility and in thanksgiving.*

*In every time and place and in every opportunity within this
transitory life, you ask each of us "Whom shall I send?"*

So now we recall those individuals who said "Yes Lord, send me!"

*These are the countless individuals who stepped forward,
to serve as your witnesses, by serving as members of a team,
for your ministry which is known as the Maryland Episcopal Cursillo.*

*Their witness allowed countless others to experience
a new beginning in their walk with you.*

*We are reminded of your promise that whenever two or three
are gathered in your name, you are in their midst.*

*Their Ministry of Presence will never fully be known except to you
and for this we offer our prayer of thanksgiving and appreciation.*

We pray this in the name of Jesus the Christ, Amen.

*— Brother Christopher Robert, BSG
(AKA Christopher Werth, MD 81)*



Living Out My Fourth Day

My Cursillo weekend was MD 87 in April 2004. Sometimes it seems ages ago, and sometimes it seems like yesterday. There were many ways it impacted me, but I will focus on two ... near and far.

One of my early memories of the time just after the weekend was that I had a much deeper appreciation of praise music. I found myself buying CDs of praise music, listening to Christian radio stations, raising hands and singing out loud (and usually off key!). More importantly, I discovered that many (possibly most) of the lyrics in praise music come directly from scripture. My Cursillo experience gave me a new way to praise God.

Through some difficult life experiences, especially cancer, I discovered that sometimes people we think of as friends are closely tied to shared space (i.e., work or church), and when we are unable to be in that space, we lose those friends. Remembering the Cursillo saying, "Make a friend, Be a friend, Bring a friend to Christ," I started a greeting card ministry. I developed a list of parishioners who were unable to attend services regularly due to health or other issues, and I sent greeting cards to let them know that they are still in our thoughts and prayers.

The ministry has expanded, and now there is a small group who make cards to send on a regular basis. After an absence of several years, one of the card recipients has recently started attending services again with the help of two others. Success times three ... thanks be to God!

Ultreya!
— Sandy Hall, MD 87

How Are YOU Living Out Your 4th Day?

How did your Cursillo Weekend impact you and your decisions about your 4th Day?

Some Cursillistas have decided to go through the discernment process and follow God's call to the priesthood or diaconate ...

others were moved to start a non profit to benefit God's children in new ways he was calling them to serve ...

Cursillistas have made hundreds of Covid masks in order to help provide God's protection and to remind people that God's love and light are present even during such dark and frightening times.

But maybe, like most of us, your 4th Day has been more close to home.

Was it a call to serve on a Vestry or a parish committee?

Or a call to community service that benefited those in need or the environment?

Or, maybe you were called into political service or into an advocacy role in support of "the least of these" or on behalf of others who could not advocate for themselves.

How did God open your heart to new ways to serve Him, spread his love and to "make a friend, be a friend, and bring a friend to Christ."

Please consider sharing your story with the Cursillo Community.

Send your article to the editor at MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com

Ultreya!



Maryland Cursillo is Calling YOU!

What are your gifts? How has God blessed you in ways that you can share with the Maryland Episcopal Cursillo? Many of us have fond memories of singing the lines, "This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine!" But over time, we may have begun to take our own gifts for granted, often underestimating them or the contributions we can make.

Maryland Cursillo needs and values every one of us and welcomes our participation. Your gifts are needed to make a difference in the lives of so many others. Whether it's sewing, organizing projects, giving witness talks, helping with art projects, preparing food, serving on a leadership team, assisting with the Agape, writing articles, helping coordinate an Ultreya, or just making a joyful noise, *YOUR* participation is valued and needed!

You can download the [Resource List](#) from MDEpiscopalCursillo.com (also on page 9 of this issue). Please take a few minutes to read through this information and prayerfully consider where and how your light can shine on the Maryland Cursillo Movement!



Ultreya!
— Pamela Blyth, MD 92
Communications Coordinator, MEC



The Cost of Discipleship

Cursillo is a continuing ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland, sustained by the donations of the many friends and supporters throughout the Diocese and beyond for whom Cursillo has been a gift.

Please consider making a financial donation to support this important ministry.

You can [donate ONLINE by clicking here](#), or mail this form to us at the address below.

YES, I will support Cursillo, by word and by deed, by holding Cursillo up in prayer and by enclosing my financial gift of \$ _____ to further its ministry, or pledging to contribute a monthly/quarterly gift of \$ _____ to sustain the work of MEC.

Please mail your donation or pledge to:

The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo

c/o The Episcopal Church of Christ the King, 1930 Brookdale Road, Baltimore, MD 21244

Name _____ Date _____ Weekend # _____

Address _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ (home) _____ (cell)



Thank you !



RESOURCE LIST

Maryland Episcopal Cursillo

What gifts has God blessed you with that you will share with your brothers and sisters in Maryland Cursillo?
Please indicate areas of interest listed below and return this application to:

PLEASE SCAN AND EMAIL THIS FORM TO:

MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com

Name _____ Date _____
E-mail _____ Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____
Which weekend did you attend? ____ Teams served (and roles)? _____

Music

___ Play a musical instrument.
What type(s) _____
___ Interested in serving on the music team for a weekend. (Must also submit an application)

Communications

___ Website Design and update
___ Assist with database management
___ Assist with Abrazo, brochure production
___ Assist with assembling and mailings
___ Write articles for the Abrazo
___ Bilingual, what language _____

Skill and Talent in weekend preparation

___ Team Shirts __ new team member ___ add on
___ Bake Communion Bread
___ Cord for wooden cross
___ Able make weekend buttons
___ Talent with design graphics, art.
___ Make beds on Thursday of weekend
___ Make Placemats

Assist on the Cursillo Weekend

___ Assist Core team over the weekend
(require staying on campus)
___ Assist set up for Agape
___ Assist clean up for Agape
___ Photographer for weekend photo
(requires standing on ladder)

Forth Day Workshop

___ Leadership team
___ Workshop team
___ Give a talk
___ Welcoming
___ Food set up and or clean up
___ Set up and or clean up
___ Lead music

Serve the Secretariat or Servant Community

___ Area Representative ___ Palanca Coordinator
___ Treasurer ___ 4th Day Representative
___ Comptroller ___ Music Coordinator
___ Secretary ___ Asst Lay Director ___
___ Stewardship
___ Pre Cursillo
___ Weekend Representative

Utreya Support

___ Witness Speaker - List Utreya(s)
___ Led an Utreya - List Utreya(s)
___ Lead music at an Utreya

Other gifts or talents you are willing share with the Cursillo Community:

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Received by _____

Date _____



Talking to Someone About Attending a Weekend?

Thinking of talking to someone about attending a Weekend as a Candidate? Have you “talked to Jesus about you friend” and are now ready to “talk to your friend about Jesus?” Below are some talking points to help start your conversation.

What is Cursillo?

- ◆ An opportunity to grow in faith and in spirituality.
- ◆ A deeper understanding of the teachings of Jesus and how we can serve Him.
- ◆ An experience of living and sharing with others in a loving and caring Christian community and realizing that this can be extended into our own environment.
- ◆ A continuing community that gives support and encouragement to help Christians carry out their Baptismal Vows.

The key elements of the Episcopal Cursillo Ministry are relationship, evangelism, and reconciliation in the home, the parish, the community, and the world.

The Episcopal Cursillo Weekend:

- ◆ Cursillo includes a time to experience living in a supportive Christian community though the Episcopal Cursillo Weekend.
- ◆ Across the country, dioceses offer Weekends following a three-day schedule that usually begins on Thursday evening and concludes on Sunday.
- ◆ Some dioceses offer Weekends following a shorter schedule that begins on Friday evening and concludes on Sunday.
- ◆ ALL Weekends include fifteen talks, five meditations and a Eucharist every day.
- ◆ The Episcopal Cursillo Weekend is not a retreat.
 - √ It is an opportunity to meet clergy and laity seeking to strengthen our faith.
 - √ It provides an environment to experience the reality of the gift of God’s love through shared prayer, individual meditation, worship, study, fellowship, laughter, tears, and unconditional love.

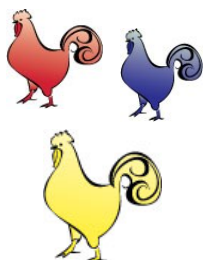
After the Weekend:

- ◆ Each person returning from a Weekend is encouraged to actively participate in the Jesus Movement.
- ◆ This time after the Weekend is known as the “Fourth Day” and extends for the rest of their lives.
- ◆ Through the Cursillo community, there are ongoing means to support Christian living and ministry.

What’s expected of participants?

- ◆ To be open and willing to respond to what you experience, to share your feelings with others, and allow them to share theirs with you.
- ◆ To make a genuine effort to discover where you are and where or how you can grow in your Christian life.
- ◆ To feel secure in the knowledge that you are accepted where you are and as you are, and to know that a specific response is not expected of you.

ULTREYA!



Talk to Jesus about your Friend
Before you talk to your Friend about Jesus.



CANDIDATE APPLICATION

Maryland Episcopal Cursillo – Three Day Weekend

Preferred title (please circle): Mr. – Mrs. – Ms. – Dr. – The Rev. – The Right Rev.

Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____ @ _____

Occupation: _____ Marital Status _____

Name to be used on button _____ Date of birth _____
Month/Day/Year

Home parish: _____ Clergy _____

Do you require accommodations to satisfy dietary, physical, or medical restrictions? No _____ Yes _____
Please detail if YES _____

Has your sponsor(s) discussed your participation in the 4th Day in grouping, attending Ultreyas, and participating in a 4th Day workshop? No _____ Yes _____

After prayerful consideration, please write a brief statement about why you want to attend a Cursillo weekend on the back of this form.

Candidate's Signature / Date

Sponsor's Signature / Date

Clergy Endorsement:

I know the above-named person and am aware that he/she is submitting an application to attend a Cursillo Weekend. I am not aware of any issues that would preclude this candidate's participation in Cursillo at this time.

Clergy Name (Signature)

Name of Parish

Clergy Name (Printed)

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To be included, please email:

MEC Communications Coordinator at MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com

UPDATE Your ADDRESS !

Let us know if your Email OR Mailing address has changed so you

won't miss important information.

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Thanks

Maryland Episcopal Cursillo Website

The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo website is a great way to keep in touch with the Cursillo community!

Information about special events, upcoming weekends, candidate and team lists, updates to the Secretariat and Servant Community contact list, forms and other items of interest are available for easy reference. You can even read the recent issues of the MEC newsletter, The Abrazo, online at your convenience.

Please be sure to visit us at MDEpiscopalCursillo.com

And you can now like us on Facebook!



THE Episcopal CHURCH

JESUS BEGAN THE MOST REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT IN ALL OF HUMAN HISTORY.

A MOVEMENT GROUNDED IN THE UNCONDITIONAL LOVE OF GOD FOR THE WORLD. AND A MOVEMENT MANDATING PEOPLE TO LIVE THAT LOVE.

AND IN SO DOING, TO CHANGE NOT ONLY THEIR LIVES, BUT THE VERY LIFE OF THE WORLD ITSELF.

-Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

THE JESUS MOVEMENT !

FOUR STEPS FOR CURSILLO ACTION

- 1. Find Christians who have the potential to influence their environments... 2. Encourage those Christians and help them to see that God is calling them... 3. Empower those Christians with the means God offers... 4. Link those Christians with one another for the work of apostolic action...

ULTREYA!!



Secretariat

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Comptroller	<i>VACANT</i>
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Western Area Rep	<i>Jen Miller, MD 105</i>
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Communications Coord.	<i>Pamela Blyth, MD 92</i>

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Monthly ZOOM Ultreya

3rd Friday, 7 PM
St. Andrew's & St. Martin's-in-the-Field
Episcopal Churches Combined Ultreya
 Contact: *David Richardson, MD 88 for Zoom Invitation*
richrdsn_ae@yahoo.com

4th Friday, 7:30 PM
St. James' Episcopal Parish
 Contact: *David Richardson, MD 88 for Zoom Invitation*
richrdsn_ae@yahoo.com

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Music Coordinator	<i>VACANT</i>
Pre-Cursillo Rep	<i>VACANT</i>
Weekend Coordinator	<i>VACANT</i>
Spiritual Advisor	<i>Susan Oldfather+, MD 101</i>



Did you know?

The Episcopal Church has:

- ◇ 6,700 congregations
- ◇ Average Sunday attendance at a "typical" Parish is 100 people
- ◇ 1.9 million active members
- ◇ 18,000 clergy (including retired)
- ◇ Total annual gross receipts of over \$2 billion
- ◇ 52 percent of churches built before 1950
- ◇ Is one of the 44 national & regional Churches that make up the Anglican Communion
- ◇ 80 million members

GREEN PALANCA

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Ultreya!



A Statement from the Episcopal Cursillo Ministry (ECM)



A Statement from the National Episcopal Cursillo, May 2008

Cursillo has always kept its eyes firmly focused on Jesus and on the Mission. One of the principles of the Cursillo movement is that: **We focus on Christ and His resurrection power in our lives, transforming us into the people He would have us be. Theological disputes and political issues have no part in our agenda.**

The Cursillo Movement is a movement that brings together all people, whether they might consider themselves to have a liberal or conservative Christian philosophy or somewhere in between, for the common good of promoting Jesus Christ and God's Mission. It is Christ-centered and Christ-focused. The Policy of the National Episcopal Cursillo Committee is that it will not be an organization with a political or social agenda. National Episcopal Cursillo is a movement of the Episcopal Church.

We recognize, however, that a number of individuals with connections and interest in the Episcopal Cursillo Movement are no longer affiliated with the Episcopal Church. As a sign of reconciliation, we welcome those still able, as individuals, to be in communion with the local Episcopal Diocesan Bishop and fellow Cursillistas, whether lay or ordained, to participate in the activities of the Cursillo Movement. Furthermore, and always at the Diocesan Bishop's discretion, we encourage an openness to their continued participation and interest in the activities of the Episcopal Cursillo. It should be understood by all that as a part of their participation, they agree to do so fully for the advancement of Cursillo, be supportive of the mission of Episcopal Cursillo, and agree that they will not promote any political agenda.

What is clear is that National Episcopal Cursillo was created to serve the Episcopal Church in the United States, and we are licensed by the Roman Catholic Church to do that. Despite our personal theological and political views, we are focused on knowing Christ and making Him known to others. That is our call and in doing it lays our greatest joy. *Ultreya! Ultreya!!* Let us get on with the day's apostolic action. Let us all pray for the Church and one another everyday.





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MD Weekend 116 "Come to the Table!" _____ November 2-5, 2023

[The Claggett Center](http://TheClaggettCenter.com), Adamstown, MD

Sponsors' Service

Las Mananitas

Clausura

All Cursillistas are invited to attend!

November 2 - 7:00 p.m.

November 5 - 6:45 a.m.

November 5 - 3:45 p.m.

MD Weekend 116 Reunion Ultreya & 4th Day Workshop ____ December 2, 2023

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Please visit MDEpiscopalCursillo.com for more information about upcoming events!

Make A Friend, Be A Friend, Bring A Friend To Christ