

September 2020

# The VOICE

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE DIOCESE OF  
PHOENIX CURSILLO MOVEMENT

*“Again, amen, I say to you: if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.*

*For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them.”*

Matthew 18:18-20

## **Cursillistas Gathered Together!**

*Details for all events inside ....*

### **Weekly Mass Online**

From Mt. Claret; see pg. 2  
Beginning Wed., Sept. 9  
6:30 pm

### **Diocesan Ultreya on Zoom!**

Sat., Sept. 12: 9:30 AM  
See pg. 3

### **School of Leaders on Zoom!**

Sat., Sept. 19: 9:30 AM  
See pg. 2

### **Evening Under the Stars/**

### **Cena de Colores Virtual Fundraiser**

For Mt. Claret &  
Cursillo Movement  
Sat., Oct. 24: 5:00 PM

## **FROM OUR MOST REV. EDUARDO NEVARES**

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Now that we are in September, we can CONGRATULATE each other in surviving ANOTHER SUMMER! Now, we look forward to the reason why we stay in Arizona....the wonderful weather for the next seven or eight months!

Little did we know how the past six months would have impacted our individual, family, and societal lives. Due to the Coronavirus, so many of our Cursillo family have been sick, some have lost their jobs and are facing economic hardships, schools have been shut down. Churches have reduced their number of attendees, etc., etc., etc. Who could have imagined the impact that COVID-19 has had on so many facets of our daily life?

Fortunately, even though some aspects of our Cursillo practices have been eliminated or limited, our DE COLORES Spirit encourages us to continue our Friendship with Christ, with ourselves, and with others. We do this through our daily prayers and Holy Hours, we do this by attending Holy Mass in person or through the Computer, we do this through our reading of the Holy Bible and different Cursillo books, and we do this by continuing our Friendship groupings.

THANK YOU for your dedication, and your being faithful to your Cursillo promises during these difficult times. THANK YOU for tuning in, and participating in our FIRST EVER ZOOM National Convention. THANK YOU for attending the different talks, meetings, and religious services that have been offered through the computer platforms over these past few months.

Now, MORE THAN EVER, our Nation and the World need US, the CURSILLISTAS, to bring the LIGHT of CHRIST, and the FIRE of our LOVE, to HEAL our NEEDY and BROKEN Society.

CURSILLISTAS, I CALL ON YOU, and YOU, and YOU, to heed this CALL to GO, and bring the FRIENDSHIP of JESUS to ALL YOU MEET.

DE COLORES.

+Eduardo A. Nevares

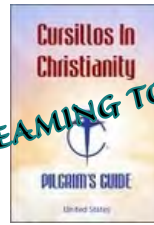
Auxiliary Bishop of Phoenix

National Cursillo Episcopal Advisor



Through the generosity of time of our Spiritual Advisors, Holy Mass will be live-streamed over Facebook and YouTube **each Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm beginning September 9, 2020.**

To access the mass, join our Facebook Page “Phoenix Cursillo Movement”; the banner picture is of the Mt. Claret Chapel. Requests to join will be accepted daily. If you need help with this contact Cecelia at [info@phoenixcursillo.com](mailto:info@phoenixcursillo.com).



**STREAMING TO A DEVICE NEAR YOU!**  
**SCHOOL OF LEADERS**

Please join us for an opportunity for Catholic fellowship including breakout rooms for sharing in group reunion after each talk or meditation.

School of Leaders is the 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:30 am. Upcoming meetings are September 19, October 17, and November 21.

**Join Zoom School of Leaders:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88658541324?pwd=d1U4OHkxek0zZlNnR0ZvSUZjMlJCZz09>

Meeting ID: 886 5854 1324

Passcode: 338064

**SAVE THE DATE**

Evening Under the Stars and Cena de Colores  
**GATHERED TOGETHER VIRTUALLY**  
 Saturday, October 24, 2020  
 5:00 - 5:30 PM - Cocktails  
 5:30 - 6:15 PM - Program

Honorary Presentation to:  
 John and Kay Sack  
 Live Auction • Raffle

As we continue to navigate the uncharted waters of 2020, we hope you will join us for this special event!

**CURSILLO MOVEMENT**  
 ROMA CATHOLIC SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

**Mt. Claret**  
 RETREAT CENTER  
**EVENING UNDER THE STARS**  
 602.840.5066  
[www.MtClaret.org](http://www.MtClaret.org)

More info coming soon!



*Annual Diocesan Ultreya*

*Saturday, September 12, 2020*

*9:30 am until 11:00 am*

*See page 3 for details*

*and for ZOOM instructions!*

**ROSARY FOR AMERICA**

**Join us at** Mt. Claret

(limited attendance with COVID-19 guidelines)

1st Monday of each month at 7:00 pm

September 7, 2020

October 5, 2020

November 2, 2020



**“Save the Date”**

**Diocesan Ultreya via Zoom**

**Saturday, September 12, 2020**

**9:30 am to 11:00 am Ultreya**

## **Come Experience the Love of Cursillo**

**A time to encourage and support one another in faith;  
share our lives in friendship as we live out Christianity  
within our community.**

**All are Welcome!**

***Cursillistas and non-Cursillistas Invited***

**R.S.V.P. to [MicknMelissa@cox.net](mailto:MicknMelissa@cox.net)**

### **Zoom Details**

**Topic: Cursillo Diocesan Ultreya      Time: Sep 12, 2020 09:30 AM Arizona**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85148111289?pwd=TKIRWk1vNiN5UUITWVWmTEVKSGJSUT09>**

**Meeting ID: 851 4811 1289      Passcode: 602115**

Greetings Sisters and Brothers in Christ.

I hope that you are all doing well. I was blessed this week to see the new movie *Fatima*, the story of the Blessed Mother's appearance to three peasant children in Portugal from May to October 1917. One of the aspects of the film that impressed me the most was the young Lucia's resilience, strengthened by the faith gained in her relationship with Our Lady, to proclaim the Truth despite seemingly overwhelming pressure to deny it by those more powerful in the culture.

In many ways the story mirrors much of what is happening in our world today. The Mayor, a so-called progressive politician, interrogates the children in an effort to paint religion as harmful superstition, and in August of that year he actually imprisoned the children to keep them from their monthly meeting with Our Lady. Church officials and even Lucia's mother, a woman of great faith, demanded that she renounce her story to avoid trouble with the authorities, or to be seen in a negative light if the story was found out later to be a hoax. As the children in their innocent trust continue to stand by what they know to be true, more and more people are drawn to this remote Portuguese hillside seeking divine grace. In one scene at the time of the final visit Lucia's earthly mother Maria insists that she go into the Church to pray, but Lucia tells her "I can't go into the Church now, I have to go!" and she runs off to the countryside where Jacinta and Francisco are waiting. When Lucia arrives the hillside is covered with thousands of pilgrims who have been called together in a spirit of Hope.

It occurs to me that this is exactly what Church is, from the Greek and Latin "Ecclesia", the gathering together of God's people who have been called out. These past few months, due to circumstances beyond our control, much like Lucia, we too have found ourselves in a situation where we can't go into the Church building as we are accustomed to, and have had to encounter the Church in unexpected places, such as on our computer and television screens.

Although all of the messages given by Our Lady of Fatima cannot be fully explained in a short movie, the



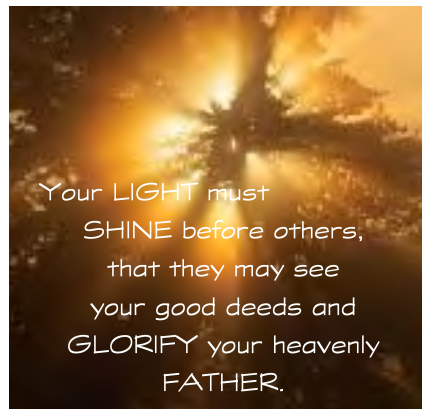
instruction that she gives to Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco reminded me of the method that we encounter in Cursillo. The first lesson given is one of Piety, she tells them that they must pray the Rosary daily for peace in the world. It's no coincidence that *Fatima* the movie was released on the feast day of Saint Augustine, who is often depicted in art with a burning heart in his hand. Through pious prayer we build our relationship with God so that our own restless hearts soon are inflamed with the desire to know and do His will. In these trying times we must continue to offer our Palanca prayers for one another.

The second instruction that Our Lady gives is that it is very important that the children learn to read and write. Study is an integral part of our development in faith, and is especially critical to the discernment of Truth in these times when we are bombarded with conflicting accounts of nearly everything that happens in our society. Saint Paul addresses this in the second reading for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time from his letter to the Romans, 12:2: "Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." On August 22<sup>nd</sup> we had a wonderful experience as approximately 25 Cursillistas gathered to learn more about our Faith and our movement in our first ever virtual Cursillo School of Leaders. Please look for the Zoom invitation coming soon in your email or on the Phoenix Cursillo website for the next School of Leaders held on the third Saturday of the month.

A striking scene of the *Fatima* movie is when the children ask the Blessed Mother if they can go with her to Heaven. Indeed, the youngest of the children, Saints Francisco and Jacinta Marto, would join her in heaven

within two years, ironically as victims of the Spanish Flu pandemic of 1918. But Lucia Santos is told that she must remain here, because she has been given a mission of Apostolic Action, to share the message of Our Lady of the Rosary for the conversion of the world from the life of sin that threatens it. In a recent address Sister Dierdre Byrne, a

Consecrated Nun and Physician made a great statement that captures our mission as Catholic Christians. Sister



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Dede stated: “As a physician, I can say without hesitation: Life begins at conception. While what I have to say may be difficult for some to hear, I am saying it because I am not just pro-life, I am pro-eternal life. I want all of us to end up in heaven together someday.”

As baptized Catholics, we are not here just to attain Heaven for ourselves, nor to be self-appointed judges of who gets in or doesn't. We are called to assist one another, our families and even those in our environments who we may disagree with, to attain their eternal reward. We are strengthened to carry out this mission through the power of the Eucharist, where we are brought into union with Christ, and with one another in His Body, the Church.

In Cursillo we build this community and support and inspire one another through Group Reunion and Ultreya. On September 12<sup>th</sup> we will have a **Diocesan Ultreya** online through a Zoom format, which will include a fourth day witness, Spiritual Advisor summation, and an opportunity for sharing with fellow Cursillistas in small breakout groups. Please feel free to invite not only those who have lived their Cursillo, but others in your life who are seeking to deepen their relationship with Christ, or may even be far away from Him to join us at the Ultreya. Look for more information in the Voice and in an

upcoming emailed invitation.

Another exciting opportunity to offer our Palanca prayers for one another will be with our Spiritual Advisors, who are offering the highest form of prayer for the Cursillo Movement, the celebration of the **Holy Mass**, live-streamed from Mount Claret **every Wednesday at 6:30pm** beginning September 9, 2020. Please join us via Facebook Live on the Diocese of Phoenix Cursillo Facebook Group page. We will also include all of those in our community and our families who are suffering in the prayer intentions of the mass.

I want to thank all of those who are finding innovative ways to live as Church and bring others to Christ in these challenging times. Thank you to Tom McGuire and the committee that has been planning the joint venture “**Cena De Colores/Evening Under the Stars**” to benefit the Cursillo Movement and Mount Claret that will be held through Zoom on October 24<sup>th</sup>, the feast day of Saint Anthony Mary Claret. I hope that you can join us to support our movement in whatever way that you are able to. I look forward to the days ahead as limitations on gatherings are beginning to be eased and we can once again come together in person to share in the Love of God.

In the Peace of Christ, Joe Fairlie (#781)

## 54 DAY ROSARY FOR OUR NATION

August 28, 2020 to October 22, 2020

*The following intentions have been requested by Bishop Olmsted:*

For the conversion and spiritual protection of our nation, currently experiencing a calamity of sin, division, and vitriol.

For authentic leadership, secular and in the Church, rooted in true virtue.

For the political parties of our nation to be led by the common good, and to agree on the fundamentals of any nation with a future: protection of human life at all stages, recognition of the dignity of every human person precisely because he or she is made in the image of God, upholding of marriage as the fundamental building block of society, and protection of free speech, freedom of religion, and all other attendant freedoms which help build a virtuous and generous citizenry.

For the rejection of all forms of collectivism (CCC 1885), whether Marxist or born of another false ideology, and the cultivation of true patriotism, based on love for what is best in our country, solidarity with those in need



*“Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world.” Blessed Pope Pius IX*

and subsidiarity for those smaller stations of governance such as the family.

For the strengthening of all families, in particular that Catholic families live more deeply their call to be the “domestic church”.

For the virtues of mercy and forgiveness to be demonstrated by our leaders and especially those who pray the Our Father.

For an end to unjust discrimination and the healing of racial divisions and all other divisiveness unworthy of a sovereign nation.

For the vulnerable among us, especially pre-born children, elderly, immigrants, unemployed and the poor.

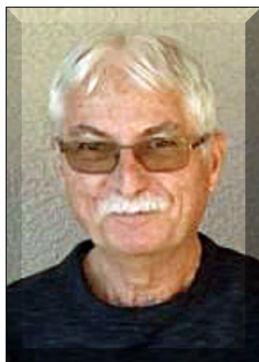
For the restoration of one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

## Our Lord “PROMOTES” Two Faithful Servants to their 5<sup>th</sup> Day

by Manny Yrique

While many of us here in Phoenix did our best to survive the Arizona summer heat and the self-quarantine against the COVID-19 virus, two of our Cursillo brothers were called “Home” to their 5<sup>th</sup> Day Journey. Art Brouillard and Steve Bushard were called home earlier this summer and leave behind a legacy of humble service to all those they loved and mentored especially in their service in the Cursillo Movement of the Diocese of Phoenix.

Art Brouillard (#701), a member of All Saints Catholic Church in Mesa, passed away peacefully on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Art was a quiet man who shared his faith with all he met by wearing the face of Christ in everything he did. A loving husband to his wife Bea of 48 years, Art is also survived by his daughter Lynda and grandchildren Dylan, Lacey, and Ricky. To Art, family was everything but he also had a large enough heart to love even those he barely encountered. He loved those he worked with in the Cursillo Movement by working as a Parish Rep at All Saints, sponsoring and encouraging others to live their Cursillo and by serving on many Cursillo teams over the years. But nowhere was Art’s love for humanity shown more powerfully than in 2010 when Art started a nonprofit group to help the children of Haiti recovering from a devastating earthquake that left the country in ruins. His nonprofit ABC for Haiti brought relief supplies and life’s necessities to the people of Haiti. But most of all ABC for Haiti brought love to those who felt most unloved in a very trying period of their lives. Art, thank you my friend for your selflessness to the very end. You inspired all of us to do what most say was impossible to do but you believed “with God all things are possible.”



Steve Bushard (#312) a member of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Phoenix was another Gentle Giant much like Art. Steve was also a man who lived his Cursillo in the early days of the Movement and continued to serve in the leadership of the Movement up to his last Team in October 2019 Men’s Cursillo #925.

Steve moved to Arizona back in

1965 to begin studies at ASU. It was his return to ASU after a stint in the Army where he met his future bride of 47 years, Meg. Steve was a practicing lawyer for over 40 years finally retiring in 2017. Actively involved in parish life both at St. Theresa and St. Thomas the Apostle, Steve also helped out in the Ministries of St. Vincent de Paul and St. Joseph the Worker, Pastoral Care, and more. Always a quiet man he had a way of communicating with you and giving you his undivided attention like you were the only other person on earth.

Loved by all, Steve leaves behind a legacy of service to his family and his church to his children Stephanie, Joseph, and John and his grandchildren Mason, Caroline, and Stuart Bushard, and Colin and Ava Grace Schafer. It was always wonderful to see Steve and his family sitting together during Mass and noticing the pride in Steve’s face for all of his beautiful family.

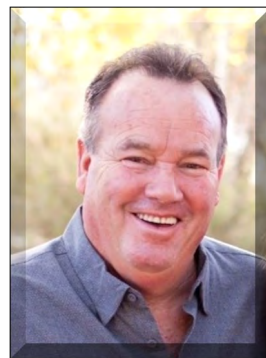
Rest in Peace our wonderful brothers in Christ. We fondly carry the memory of serving with you both along your awesome journey to Day 5. You lived life fully and lived it to give all Glory and Honor to God. Let Him welcome you home to your eternal rest.

De Colores! Manny Yrique



### Another 5<sup>th</sup> Day Journey...

Since the writing of this article we are sad to report that another faithful example of Piety, Study, and Action has entered his 5<sup>th</sup> Day. We pray for the family and the repose of the soul of Barry Temple, a long-time active Cursillista from St. Anne Parish who entered his 5<sup>th</sup> day on August 27, 2020, dying of complications due to COVID-19.



NOTE: Please send any prayer notices for Cursillistas and family who are ill or have entered their 5<sup>th</sup> day to [info@phoenixcursillo.com](mailto:info@phoenixcursillo.com). If requested, they will be posted on the website.

## EASY TITHE

- *First, we would like to thank all of you who are currently enrolled with Easy Tithe. Your continued support of the Cursillo Movement is greatly appreciated.* (If your card has changed or expired, please take a minute to go to [www.Easytithe.com/Cursillo](http://www.Easytithe.com/Cursillo) and update/)

- **WHAT IS IT?**

A low cost monthly auto withdrawal from your bank account directly to the Cursillo Movement to help pay for operating expenses of the Movement (i.e., rent, supplies, stipends and scholarships). You choose the amount you'd like to contribute, when, and how often.

- **WHY?**

- A major goal of Cursillo is to allow every qualified candidate to live their weekend. The cost of the weekend should never keep someone away. The actual cost to put a candidate through the weekend is in excess of \$350 per person. However, we strive to maintain the stipend at \$150 per candidate. To accomplish this goal requires fundraising, including our Easy Tithe program.

- While Cursillo weekends can be held almost anywhere, we are truly blessed to call the beautiful, holy ground that is Mt. Claret Retreat Center, "home". It has been home to the Cursillo for many years due to the vision of the Claretian priests who were caretakers of the Movement in Phoenix in the beginning, the devotion of Msgr. McMahon, and the love, time, and talent of many Cursillistas over the years. Support through Easy Tithe assists in ensuring that Mt. Claret remains our home for future candidates and all Cursillistas.

- **HOW?**

Simply go to the Easy Tithe link on the Cursillo website ([www.PhoenixCursillo.com](http://www.PhoenixCursillo.com)) or go directly to [www.Easytithe.com/Cursillo](http://www.Easytithe.com/Cursillo).

- **PRAYERFUL CONSIDERATION**

A five (\$5) or ten (\$10) dollar monthly Easy Tithe donation can make a huge difference in not only a candidate's life, but also the many Cursillistas in our Diocese. Please prayerfully consider participating in Easy Tithe and enroll today.

On behalf of the Cursillo Movement of Phoenix,  
we thank you for your prayerful consideration and support.

If you have any questions, please contact Karla Keller ([Treasurer@PhoenixCursillo.com](mailto:Treasurer@PhoenixCursillo.com))



## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!



**Parish Reps Needed!!!**: To see if your parish is one of those not covered, please go to our website. If interested, please contact the Postcursillo Chair at ([mickkapanicas@gmail.com](mailto:mickkapanicas@gmail.com)) or Precursillo Chair at ([jdiaz.theocentric@gmail.com](mailto:jdiaz.theocentric@gmail.com)).

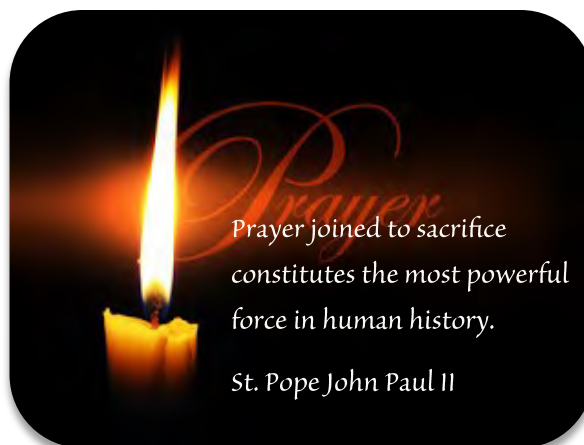
**Ultreya!** It just takes a place and some friends to rejoice together in the graces we receive as we live our piety, study, and action throughout our 4th day. Please get in touch with the Postcursillo Chair, if you are interested in helping with or hosting an Ultreya in your area.

**Palanca Chair:** The palanca chair is responsible for requesting General Palanca for Phoenix, and sending General Palanca for other Diocese's weekends, and downloading and printing the General Palanca for our Weekends. This can be done from your home! Please contact Three-Day Chair at ([zeldagraham@yahoo.com](mailto:zeldagraham@yahoo.com)).

## GENERAL PALANCA

Record your prayers and sacrifices for upcoming Cursillo weekends both in our Diocese and other Dioceses either on the form below or on the website. Palanca is gathered cumulatively, recorded, and relayed in a general palanca letter for those weekends, both locally, in the US and Internationally. Send the form below to Cursillo Movement, Mt. Claret, 4633 N 54th St, Phoenix, AZ 85018 or bring the form to School of Leaders. Your intercessory prayer, sacrifice, and works of mercy are the levers which lift up the Movement all over the world.

General Palanca	Amount
Sacramental Masses	
Spiritual Communion	
Hours of Adoration	
Visits to Blessed Sacrament	
Daily Prayers	
Rosaries	
Glory Be	
Hail Holy Queen	
Hail Marys	
Our Fathers	
Instances of Fasting	
Hours of Prayer	
Hours of Study	
Hours of Service	
Leader's Prayer	
Chaplets of Divine Mercy	
Novenas	
Offerings of Pain/Distress	
Reconciliation	
Other:	
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## PRAYER REQUESTS

There is a prayer list on the website that will be updated with your prayer requests and 5th day notices. On this page, you will find a form to send in your request, or send it directly to [info@phoenixcursillo.com](mailto:info@phoenixcursillo.com).

People will remain on the prayer list and on the 5<sup>th</sup> day list for one month. Resubmit if you would like to have the name remain on the list.

### Vatican-approved prayer for the intercession of Servant of God, Eduardo Bonnin, Founder of the Cursillo Movement

*“Oh God, the dispenser of all graces and charisms, You granted your servant Eduardo Bonnin Aguilo the grace of dedicating his whole life with humility and generosity, to the work of the Cursillos in Christianity Movement, as he traveled the five continents proclaiming that God in Christ loves us. Grant us through his intercession the favor that we now implore Thee. (Name favor being requested.) Also grant us the grace, of his beatification for your greater glory and the good of your Church, that shines throughout the lives of its saints. We beg this of you in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.”*  
*(At the end pray the Lord’s Prayer.)*

### PHOENIX CURSILLO DATABASE

**Please help us keep the Cursillo records up to date.**

If you change your address, email, phones, etc., please email the updated info to [info@phoenixcursillo.com](mailto:info@phoenixcursillo.com).  
THANKS!

PS... Info on the database is never given out or sold. It is used only for sending Cursillo news such as the Voice and contacting persons for Team Formation.

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