

CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

The Voice 

The Newsletter of the Diocese of Phoenix Cursillo Movement Spring, 2024

De Colores!

Feliz Pascua!

Peace and Joy of the Resurrection!

From Fr. Arthur Nave

My dear brothers and sisters, I send you Resurrection greetings on behalf of all our Spiritual Directors!

This joy that we have is not one that was initially had by the disciples early on that Resurrection morning. Their emotions and minds were probably on overload with sadness and shock still trying to figure out where things went wrong. Jesus was supposed to save them! They believed that He was the Messiah but they just saw their Lord die on a cross. Then, after confirming His body was gone, Mary Magdala is visited by Christ while she was at the tomb! Then Christ appeared in the upper room and on the road to Emmaus!

This beautiful transformation of sorrow to joy, despair to steadfast faith is the same journey each of us make in our own way as we come to faith in Christ. As we celebrate the Easter season, the Church focus's our attention on the central mysteries of our faith and the

sacraments that root ourselves in Christ and each other. Let us spend this Easter season strengthening our roots in our parish and Cursillo community by intentionally participating in the sacramental life of the church.

Can we go to confession twice in the next forty days? Can we add a weekday Mass into our schedule in addition to our Sunday Mass attendance to grow closer to our Lord? Are we able to bring the joy of Christ into the lives of others that we encounter? This is the season to not just receive the great gift of our Lord's Resurrection but share His great love with others!

May God bless all you and your families during this Easter season!

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Fr. Arthur

Peter healed the crippled man in the Name of Christ... Acts 3:8

"He leaped up, stood...
and went into the temple with them ...



...WALKING and JUMPING and PRAISING GOD!"

Happy Easter! Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

What is happening in Phoenix Cursillo Movement? There is a lot going on!

Let me start with the election of the new Secretariat members: Congratulations to Ted Cruz - Postcursillo, Sharon Matson - Secretary, and Bart Blaylock - Precursillo. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new chair members. All three bring much knowledge and experience to the movement, and are excited about their new positions. The Secretariat is very excited to have them, and we are looking forward to working with them. It is always nice to have new people who love Cursillo and want to bring their fresh ideas and thoughts with them.

Since we have three new members, we also had to say a tearful goodbye to three wonderful leaving members. They are: Veronica Lucas - Postcursillo, Tisa Williams - Secretary and Terry McDonald - Precursillo. It was a pleasure and honor to work with these three beautiful ladies. Not only did we all work together but we all became good friends. They have worked hard in the movement, and they all had a lot of knowledge to share with the group. Their knowledge helped us to make better decisions. Thank you again for all you did for the movement and continue to do.

In February, the English and the Spanish Secretariats met with Bishop Nevares and what a blessing that was! We shared and exchanged ideas. During the meeting we shared about how and why we do things, and we exchanged some of the ways we do business and it was

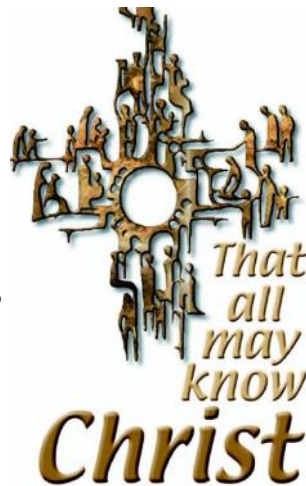
very productive. The Secretariats are going to try and meet at least 2 to 3 times a year. It was beautiful because we all learned from each other. We addressed our concerns in the movement, and everyone was so helpful and excited to work together.

UPCOMING: May 11, 2024, we will have our first Cena since Covid shutdowns. Even though we lost Terry McDonald as our Precursillo Chair she has so graciously volunteered to chair the Cena. The Secretariat as well as the Cena committee are very excited that we are holding this dinner. I encourage and invite all of you to attend this event. It is a wonderful way to see Cursillitas and to enjoy the evening at beautiful Mt. Claret. This is a fundraiser for the Cursillo Movement.

Then don't forget we have Cursillo's in May and June. The men's is May 16-19 and the women's is June 6-9. Please invite your friends if they have not already lived a Cursillo. Remember our motto "Make a Friend, Be a Friend and Bring your Friend to Christ."

Cursillo brings so many people to Christ and isn't that our mission in life - to bring people to Christ? There have been so many people who have found our Lord and fallen in love with Him through the movement. As Cursillistas let us continue to bring His Love into the world.

De Colores!
Carmela Gonzales, Lay Director



2024 Diocese of Phoenix Cursillo Weekends

Mt. Claret Men's English #963 May 16-19, 2024 Women's Eng. #964 June 6-9, 2024	Sedona (No. Arizona) Men's Spanish #965 July 18 - 21, 2024 Women's Span. #966 August 1 - 4, 2024	Mt. Claret Men's Spanish #967 August 8-11, 2024 Women's Span. #968 September 15-18, 2024	Camp Verde (No. Arizona) Men's English #969 October 10 - 13, 2024 Women's Eng. #970 October 17 - 20, 2024	Mt. Claret Men's English #971 October 24-27, 2024 Women's Eng. #972 November 7-10, 2024
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How to Apply for Cursillo Weekend: Sponsors start the Application procedure. To sponsor a friend, please contact the Parish Rep at your **candidate's parish**. If there is no Parish Rep, please contact the Precursillo Chair: Bart Blaylock, precursillo@phoenixcursillo.com
Please note: Sponsors will need an experienced co-sponsor to assist if they have never sponsored before or are on the team of that weekend. Generally, a Cursillista should wait one year after their own weekend and be grouping before sponsoring.

Application Steps:

- Step 1) Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ!
- Step 2) **Sponsor requests** application from Parish Rep (or Precursillo Chair).
- Step 3) Sponsor and candidate fill out application.
- Step 4) Sponsor gives application to Parish Rep (or Precursillo Chair).
- Step 5) **Parish Representative** completes application, has Pastor sign it, and delivers it to the Precursillo Chair.

I hope everyone had a blessed Easter Sunday! Did you know that the word “Easter” comes from Old English meaning “East.” As we all know the sun rises in east bringing light and warmth; this is a symbol of the rising Christ, Who is our Light of the World. Let us as Cursillistas bring the Light of the World to all those we encounter.

April 7th is Divine Mercy Sunday, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina asking her for a feast celebrating His mercy. God loves us and He wants to give us His mercy each day. He continues to forgive our sins through His Sacrament of Confession. The Scripture has many passages on God’s mercy. Let’s take a moment and reflect on how we practice mercy in our lives. How is God merciful to us and how are we merciful to others? We may think that being kind and forgiving, founded on our compassion, is merciful. Mercy is different from compassion; mercy is to help anyone in need. In God’s eyes, mercy has everything to do with generosity.

As we get ready to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, let us reflect on how we can be merciful towards all that we encounter. Begin by showing yourself mercy. Then show a friend mercy. Listen and help them whenever you can. Be patient and kind, don’t let our sinfulness get in the way.

Here are a few ways to work on our mercy:

Prayer: I especially love the Divine Mercy Chaplet. I pray this daily and sometimes I pray the Divine Mercy Novena. This is a prayer that we should say often not only for ourselves but for others and different situations. Prayers always help us in our world in the past, present and future. We must be strong prayer warriors.

Action: Be kind - by being kind we should imitate Christ. We should do something for our friends, family, and people we encounter along the road of life. Be selfless, and a good listener. God loves it when we help those that are in need or just need a helping hand. Sometimes it may be difficult to be kind, especially when we are busy and have so much going on in our lives. Does God want us to be this busy? That busy-ness can overrule our environment. Take time to spend time with those people who need us to be with them.

Forgive: We heard about forgiveness all during Lent, which is a beautiful thing. Listening and doing are two different things,



make sure you take the time to forgive but not only in your heart, tell those that have hurt you to forgive them. God wants us to forgive those. I remember one time I went to mass, and it was about forgiveness. As I listened, I thought I don’t have anyone to forgive. So, I went and sat in my car and a name came up to me to call that person and forgive them for whatever I had done. I did and that relationship was able to be healed.

Trust in the Divine Mercy and always be merciful to others. Finally, an excerpt from the Dairy of St. Faustina:

O Most Holy Trinity! As many times as I breathe, as many times as my heart beats, as many times as my blood pulsates through my body, so many thousand times do I want to glorify Your mercy. I want to be completely

transformed into Your mercy and to be your living reflection, O Lord. May the greatest of all divine attributes; that of your unfathomable mercy, pass through my heart and my soul to my neighbor. ... Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbor. I will refuse my heart to no one. ... May Your mercy, O Lord, rest upon me. You yourself command me to exercise the three degrees of mercy. The first: the act of mercy, of whatever kind. The second: the word of mercy — if I cannot carry out a work of mercy, I will assist by my words. The third: prayer — if I cannot show mercy by deeds or words, I can always do so by prayer. My prayer reaches out even there where I cannot reach out physically. O my Jesus, transform me into Yourself, for you can do all things. (Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, para 163).



JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

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Carmela Gonzales**

ULTREYA!



Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ!

Ultreyas at Miles Jesu

1925 E Baseline Rd, Phoenix

Apr. 12, May 17, June 14, 2024

5:45 pm Holy Hour, confession available

6:30 pm Pilgrim's Guide Apostolic Hour Prayer

6:45 pm Ultreya

Ultreya at St. Elizabeth Seton

9728 W Palmeras Dr., Sun City

Saturday, May 11, 2024

8:00 am Mass 9:00 am Breakfast Snacks

9:15 am Ultreya

For more info contact Joanna Smith

480-206-8359 or tjrleadership@yahoo.com

*If you are interested in hosting an Ultreya at your Parish,
please contact Postcursillo@phoenixcursillo.com*

Who is a Leader? Christ is Counting on YOU!

The Cursillo Weekend is just the beginning - come and learn, share, and live out the gifts the Holy Spirit compelled you to accept when you were first invited to be a Cursillista!



School of Leaders



3rd Saturday of each month

9:30 am to 11:00 am.

Virtual AND IN PERSON at Mt. Claret (JP11 Room)

Upcoming Dates: April 20, May 18, June 15 and July 20, 2024

Virtual Meetings on Zoom

Open the Zoom Link on Website School of Leaders Page or cut and paste:

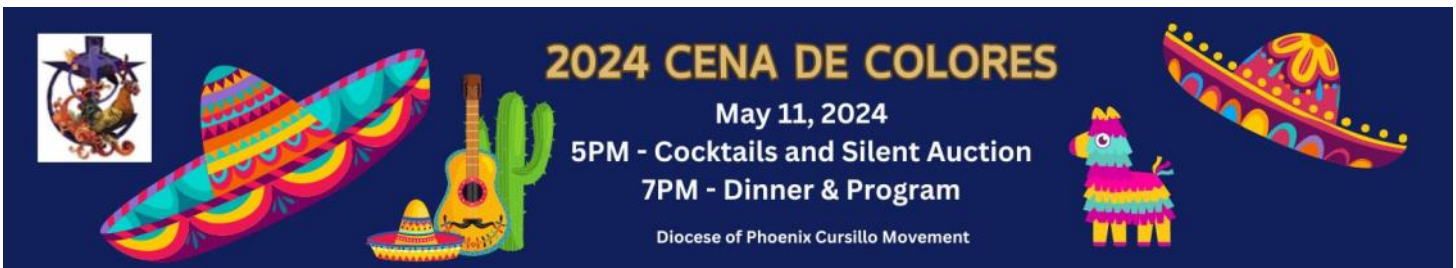
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Watch previous School of Leaders on YouTube!

As of now, you must use the links on the School of Leaders page at www.phoenixcursillo.com. You cannot find them by going directly to YouTube. If you have a gmail account you can use that as your login, if not you will have to create one.

Diocese of Phoenix Cursillo Movement Event Calendar				update April 1, 2024
APRIL				
4/6/2024	Saturday	9:00 AM	Rector/Rectora Workshop	Rollo Room (note change)
4/9/2024	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Secretariat Meeting	Virtual
4/12/2024	Friday	6:45 PM	ULTREYA	Miles Jesu
4/20/2024	Saturday	9:30 AM	SOL (In person & Virtual)	Mt. Claret
4/24/2024	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Orientation English for 963/964	Begins in Chapel with Mass
MAY				
5/11/2024	Saturday	9:15 AM	ULTREYA	St. Elizabeth Seton
5/11/2024	Saturday		CENA DE COLORES	Mt. Claret
5/14/2024	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Secretariat Meeting	Virtual
5/17/2024	Friday	6:45 PM	ULTREYA	Miles Jesu
5/16-19/2024	Thur-Sun		Men's English Weekend #963	Mt. Claret
5/18/2024	Saturday	9:30 AM	SOL (In person & Virtual)	Mt. Claret
JUNE				
6/6-9/2024	Thur-Sun		Women's English Weekend #964	Mt. Claret
6/11/2024	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Secretariat Meeting	Virtual
6/14/2024	Friday	6:45 PM	ULTREYA	Miles Jesu
6/15/2024	Saturday	9:30 AM	SOL (In person & Virtual)	Mt. Claret
Miles Jesu		1925 E Baseline Rd, Phoenix		
St. Elizabeth Seton		9728 W Palmeras Dr, Sun City		



Cena de Colores! It's time again to celebrate our movement!

Come join us Saturday night, May 11, 2024

We have not been able to celebrate Cursillo in style for quite sometime, so please join us for a great dinner, prepared by a great team, dining under the stars at beautiful Mt. Claret.

Included in your purchase: the Silent Auction during the Cocktail hour, and 2 drink tickets, (enjoy frozen Margaritas or a beer,) a flare of Mexican style hors d'oeuvres, and of course, an excellent dinner: a fine cut of beef with a mushroom sauce or a juicy chicken breast with a plum arbol sauce, accompanied by asparagus, baby carrots, and mashed potatoes, finished off with a wonderful dessert.

Add to your purchase Raffle tickets for the BIG CASH DRAWINGS ... several drawings will be held.

At 5 PM you will enter the Mt. Claret office for registration, then wander through the Rollo Room to select a beverage. Continue through the Lobby for a quick bite on your way to the Dining Room for the Silent Auction. At 6:45 PM you will head through the patio towards the lawn and get seated for dinner, where you will greeted by a wedge salad. Then listen to a presentation of how Mt. Claret became what it is today. Meet our Secretariat and gather with many of your Cursillista friends. At about 8 PM, the Finale will be a Puff Pastry Dessert with Ed's famous chocolate concoction. Between 8:30 PM-9:00 PM you will be able to pick up your Silent Auction purchase!

GET INVOLVED AND GO TO WWW.CENADECOLORES.COM TO BUY YOUR dinner and raffle tickets.

Your help is needed too! For Silent Auction Donations, sponsorship opportunities and other donations, please contact Angela Fairlie at 623-693-3431.



Cena De Colores

SATURDAY MAY 11, 2024

MT. CLARET RETREAT CENTER



Cocktails & Silent Auction 5PM - 7PM
Dinner & Program 7PM - 9PM

Table of 10 is \$750
Single Tickets is \$75
Raffle Tickets \$5 or 5 for \$20

Don't wait purchase your tickets today!
To Purchase a table or tickets go to
WWW.CenaDeColores.com
or use the QR code.

Raffle Tickets

Prizes:

1st - \$1000

2nd - \$500

3rd - \$250



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