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Newsletter for the Cursillo Movement of the Diocese of Phoenix



Ruben and Jo-Ann Trevizo

A New Year begins a New Era for Cursillo

January 2017 brings a whole lot of changes to look forward to. One, we will have a new president inaugurated in January, the start of the next Cursillo season starts with the Men's Cursillo # 897 taking place from the 19th through the 22nd, and last but not least, a new English Cursillo Secretariat has been elected with Ruben Trevizo selected as the new Lay Director for the Movement. Ruben and his wife Joanne, lived their Cursillo weekend in 1985 and have serving the Cursillo Movement ever since. If you know Ruben or any of the other members of the Secretariat listed below, send them a note of congratulations! Most importantly, pray that the Holy Spirit will fill them with the spirit of servant leadership to guide our Movement in the years to come. Congrats all and De Colores!

Your 2017 English Cursillo Secretariat

Lay Director - Ruben Trevizo
Precursillo Chair - Nancy Kijewski
Three Day Chair - Sharon Matson
Postcursillo Chair Brenda Hope
Treasurer - Brenda Halpin
Secretary - Cecelia Dusold
School of Leaders Chair - Marty Sprinzl



January 2017 English Cursillos

Men's 897 January 19-22, 2017
Women's #898 February 2-5, 2017

The Cursillo Community is encouraged to join us in the celebration of these Cursillos by attending the closing of each Cursillo. Join us for...

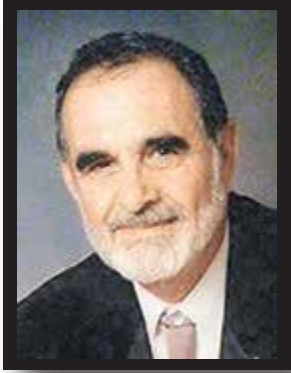
Rosary on Sunday evening - 4:30pm
Clausura and conclusion to follow the Rosary

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Deacon Richard Yanez

1935 - 2016

Just prior to Christmas in 2016, we lost a champion of the Cursillo Movement, Deacon Richard Yanez. He served the Cursillo Movement of the Diocese of Phoenix for over 44 years both as a layperson working in service to the Movement and then later as a Deacon when he was ordained in 2002.

Retired from Motorola Semiconductor since 1998, he stayed busy with his family that included 6 children, 14 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren along with the love of his life, wife Olga. Deacon Richard had what can only be called a zest for life. He loved to hunt, fish and most importantly, travel the world with his wife.

A mentor to all who knew him, Deacon Yanez served humbly the Spanish communities of St. Anthony, Immaculate Heart of Mary and Queen of Peace parish in Mesa.

Deacon Yanez was laid to rest on December 6, 2016. Thank you for your leadership to our Cursillo Movement but most of all Thank you for being the face of Christ to all you met. De Colores!

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen.*

Michael R Murphy

1959 - 2016

A truly quiet man who left his mark in the hearts of those who knew him. Mike Murphy was a transplant from Iowa but called Phoenix his home for almost 30 years. He moved to Phoenix after graduating from St. Ambrose University in 1982 with a degree in Business. He went to work for AZ State Credit Union and also WESCO Distribution.

While in Phoenix, Mike fell in love with his true vocation in working in the Cursillo Movement. In 2009 when the Cursillo Movement was celebrated its' 50th Anniversary, Mike was chosen to be the Rector for that Cursillo.

He was also instrumental in the formation of two Catholic Singles groups; Catholic Retreat for Young Singles (CRYS) and Catholic Singles Ministry (CSM).

Mike moved back to Iowa after the death of his older brother James where he lived the remainder of his life. Mike, we will miss you my friend. As someone who experienced personally your Cursillo leadership, I feel blessed to have known you. Mike was laid to rest on Saturday January 7, 2017 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Benttendorf, Iowa.



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Your Phoenix Cursillo Movement has a History you should be proud of.

The following is a scan of a letter that accompanied an invitation to attend the Golden Jubilee of Cursillos held in Phoenix celebrating 50 Cursillos in the first 3 years of the Movement. That's 50 Cursillos in 36 months!

FATHER ALFONSE M. DURAN, C.M.F.
SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

CURSILLOS IN CHRISTIANITY

CENTER

909 E. Washington
Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Cursillista,

Over the past 3 years, due to your Palanca and sacrifice over 50 Cursillos have been given by the Tucson Diocesan Cursillo Center, here in Phoenix. Cursillo centers as far away as Chicago, Illinois; Winslow, Arizona; Los Angeles and Stockton, California have been established. You are directly responsible for Cursillos in distant lands like the Phillipine Islands (where 5 bishops and many laymen have already made their Cursillos), and Japan. Gallup, New Mexico; San Francisco and San Diego, California are now establishing Cursillo Centers. Cursillos in Oregon are also Fruits of local Cursillo leaders, and this summer, God willing, Utah.

Through your efforts, be they large or small, over 1200 men and women have made Cursillos, and countless more through the efforts of these 1200---

You will be proud to note that Ultreya Magazine which is now the acknowledged "Voice of the Cursillo Movement" here in the United States is printed in your diocesan center. It monthly carries news of the Cursillo to nearly all the 50 states, Canada, South America, the Phillipines, Mexico, Nova Scotia, and also many foreign countries.

Also the Phoenix Center is responsible for processing over 200 letters a week from all sections of our country asking questions ranging from "Where can I make a Cursillo" to _____.

Your center is receiving recognition as the National Office of Information for the Movement and daily sends Cursillo materials to all sections of the country.

It presently publishes the new Bi-lingual "Pilgrim's Guide" and the "Cursillo in Christianity" pamphlet explaining the purpose of the Cursillos.

A staff of 5 men and 4 women are working full time on Cursillo activities.

As the enclosed invitation implies, Bishop Green is honoring all of us with his presence here on Sunday, May 19 to attend the Golden Jubilee Celebration of Cursillos in the diocese and celebrate mass closing the English Men's Cursillo being given May 16-19.

Whether you have been recently active in Cursillo activities or merely returned to your parish a better informed christian since your Cursillo your sacrifice has been felt. Without it none of these things could have been accomplished.

We are looking forward to a big Christian get together. This celebration has been earned in prayer and hard work. None of us must feel we have not done a fair share, for only Almighty God knows how one little act of charity may have effected the whole extension of his teachings.

So let's all get together and show the world our unity and charity for our brothers in Christ

God Bless You,

F. Alfonso M. Duran

It's hard to imagine Cursillos taking place so rapidly in a relatively new Cursillo environment yet only by the Grace of God working through a group of men and women with great enthusiasm and a lack of fear of having to do everything just right, could the Cursillo Movement in Phoenix been such a pivotal point for the growth of Cursillo as a national movement. Imagine the fervent prayer of these early Cursillistas for God's guidance on the work they began. With very little time for formation, reliance on the Holy Spirit to enlighten these men and women as they taught others to Know, Love and Serve Christ had to be the reason for the phenomenal success of the early Movement.

Today's Cursillo teams are in formation for 10 to 12 weeks preparing to work a weekend. Yet no one who has worked on a team has ever resented the time spent in formation for much like on a Cursillo weekend, we began as strangers to a degree and end up as close brothers and sisters in Christ bound by this incredible love for Our Lord Jesus, His Mother and for one another.

There is no magic formula as to why Cursillo works. You can study the 3-Day Manual, Leader's Manual and countless other publications but if the Spirit of the Lord is not in your heart and in the hearts and minds of all on team, it really isn't Cursillo.

As we begin the next chapter for Cursillo in the Diocese of Phoenix, let us prayerfully lift up the men and women working in Cursillo as members of our new Secretariat but especially those who will serve on teams for this year's Cursillos. We must always remember that while this is a Lay Movement, made up of ordinary men and women with only a desire to bring Christ to their environments, nothing truly happens unless Christ's Holy Spirit is invited to be present with us first.

May the same Spirit of God that first filled the hearts of the pioneers of our Movement also fill the hearts of those who choose to serve today.

St. Paul our patron...Pray for us!

Our Lady of Guadalupe...Guide us as our Mother!

Jesus, Our Lord and Savior...Bless our Movement!

Cursillo Calendar for First Half of 2017

Diocese of Phoenix Cursillo Calendar

Update 1/14/2017

January 3, 2017	7:00 PM	SOL	Mt. Claret
January 9, 2017	6:30 PM	Secretariat	Mt. Claret
January 11, 2017	7:00 PM	Orientation	Mt. Claret
January 19-22, 2017		Weekend	Men's English #897
January 21, 2017	9:30 AM	SOL	St. Agnes
January 28, 2017	9:30 AM	Ultreya	St. Paul Church
February 2-5, 2017		Weekend	Women's English #898
February 7, 2017	7:00 PM	SOL	Mt. Claret
February 13, 2017	6:30 PM	Secretariat	Mt. Claret
February 18, 2017	9:30 AM	SOL	St. Agnes
February 22, 2017	7:00 PM	Orientation	Flagstaff English Weekends
February 25, 2017	9:30 AM	Ultreya	St. Helen Church
March 1, 2017			ASH WEDNESDAY
March 2-5, 2017		Weekend	Flagstaff Men's English #899
March 7, 2017	7:00 PM	SOL	Mt. Claret
March 11, 2017	TBD	Ultreya	St. Thomas the Apostle (TBD)
March 14, 2017	6:30 PM	Secretariat	Mt. Claret
March 18, 2017	9:30 AM	SOL	St. Agnes
March 23-26, 2017		Weekend	Flagstaff Women's English #900
March 25, 2017	9:30 AM	Ultreya	Westside (Parish TBD)
April 4, 2017	7:00 PM	SOL	Mt. Claret
April 11, 2017	6:30 PM	Secretariat	Mt. Claret
April 15, 2017	9:30 AM	SOL	St. Agnes
April 16, 2017			EASTER
April 19, 2017	7:00 PM	English Orientation	Mt. Claret
April 22, 2017	9:30 AM	Ultreya	Westside (Parish TBD)
April 26, 2017	7:00 PM	Spanish Orientation	Mt. Claret
April 29, 2017		Cena	Mt. Claret
May 2, 2017	7:00 PM	SOL	Mt. Claret
May 4-7, 2017		Weekend	Men's English #901
May 9, 2017	6:30 PM	Secretariat	Mt. Claret
May 11-14, 2017		Weekend	Men's Spanish #902
May 18-21, 2017		Weekend	Women's English #903
May 20, 2017	9:30 AM	SOL	St. Agnes
May 27, 2017	9:30 AM	Ultreya	Westside (Parish TBD)
June 13, 2017	6:30 PM	Secretariat	Mt. Claret
June 15-18, 2017		Weekend	Women's Spanish #904

St. Agnes	2311 E Palm Ln, Phoenix
St. Helen Church	5510 W. Cholla St. , Glendale
St. Paul Church	330 W Coral Gables Dr, Phoenix
St. Thomas the Apostle	2312 E Campbell Ave, Phoenix

Please email info@phoenixcursillo.com with dates of other upcoming Ultreyas
The calendar will be updated as these dates are available, so check back soon!

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