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SW Servants Ultreya change

The SW Servants are now meeting on the 3rd **SATURDAY** of each month instead of Sunday. The meeting will begin at 7:00pm as before. There will also be a rosary at approx. 6:40 for those who would like to join.

Childcare will be available.

Please join us for a spirit filled evening!
Marla Kramer 952.447.6183

Northern Lakes Ultreya Change

Starting in January 2003, the Northern Lakes Ultreya will now meet on the **First Sunday of the Month**. The Ultreya will meet at St. Joseph's in Lino Lakes, starting at 7:00 pm.

Please contact Marc Peters or Jan Meyer if you have any questions (contact information found in the Ultreya rep section).

Schedule for upcoming School of Leaders meetings

Date	Featured Ultreya	Discussion Topic
01/07/03	North Minneapolis	An area of concern to the Pre-Cursillo Section
02/04/03	Northeast	Witness talk on November weekend - team member
03/04/03	Restful Waters	The psychology of sin by Deacon Joe Frederick
04/01/03	Western	Areas of concern to the Cursillo section
05/06/03	Spanish Speaking	How can we restore trust in the church - Fr. Stan Maslowski



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LAY DIRECTORS' LINK

Pray without ceasing; 1 Thess. 5:17

Be Constant in prayer; Rom. 12:12

In everything let your requests be known to God; Phil. 4:6

These are statements from Paul that urge us never to leave the side of our Lord. Sometimes we think, "Life is difficult enough, how can I pray without ceasing?" "When will I find the time?" Prayer is an important aid to Christian Holiness - here are some ideas how we can add constant prayer to our lives.

A sheep becomes familiar with the voice of the Shepherd. As such, it follows that we can grow familiar with the voice of God. By giving God our waking thoughts - offer God the first seconds of our day. With our head still on the pillow or a quick roll out of bed to our knees we should "Thank God" for a good night's rest and say, "I belong to you today". Here is how the psalmist began his day - "Every morning I tell you what I need and I wait for your answer" Ps. 5:3.

We can also give God our waiting thoughts, like spending time with God in silence. As with married couples who have been married for a while, they have periods of shared silence. They do not have to fill the air with constant chatter. So it is with God. Dan Rather once asked Mother Theresa "What do you say to God when you pray?" Mother Theresa answered - "I listen" Dan Rather tried again "Well, then, what does God say?" Mother Theresa smiled, "He listens."

AND we can give God our whispering thoughts. Imagine considering every moment as a potential time of communion with God. By the time your life is over you will have spend six (6) months at stop lights, a year and a half looking for lost stuff and at least five (5) years standing in various lines. Why don't we give these moments to God. Give God our whispered thoughts "Thank you, Father", "You are my resting place, Jesus". These simple phrases can turn a commute into a pilgrimage. We don't have to leave our office or our kitchen, just pray where we are - let the kitchen become a Cathedral or our office a chapel.

Lastly we can give God our waning thoughts. At the end of the day we could let our minds settle on God. End the day as we started it, talking to God. Thanking Him for the good parts while questioning Him about the hard parts. We should seek God's mercy, seek God's strength and if we fall asleep as we pray, let's not worry about it, what better place to doze off then in the arms of our Father.

Just as people who live long lives together eventually begin to talk alike, even think alike, as we walk with God we could take on His thoughts, His principles, His attitudes, and if we get it right we take on His heart.

We pray for you, thanks for praying for us...
Gene & Jean



SCHOOL OF LEADERS

When: First Tuesday of the month.
January 7, 2003, 7:00 pm

Where: Library, Benilde-St. Margaret

This month's highlights:

1. Featured Ultreya: North Minneapolis
2. Topic: An area of concern to the Pre-Cursillo Section.
3. A number of commissionings will be performed. We are planning to commission the new assistant lay directors, the new Secretariat section leaders, and several new Ultreya representatives. Deacon Kevin Jents will conduct the commissioning.

You are invited and encouraged to join your fellow cursillistas at the School of Leaders to continue to learn more about Cursillo and to be a part of setting its direction in the Twin Cities.

The School of Leaders Leadership Study Group meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Red Knight room at Benilde-St Margaret.

Last month's highlights:

At the December School of Leaders, Marilyn Preseller talked about her and Larry's role as Region VI representatives for our Archdiocese. Marilyn also explained how the Ultreyas, the Archdiocese, the regions, the US movement all relate to the World Wide Cursillo organization. From these established relationships, she also explained how the information is then shared by the various groups.

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Don't forget to visit the Cursillo web site for additional Cursillo information. You will find dates, and maps for the monthly Ultreyas.

The Spirit moves in small steps

As I look ahead to the coming new year, the first reading for Sunday, January 19 acts as a catalyst and a comfort for me. It is taken from 1Samuel, Chapter 3 and reminds me that I may not recognize God's voice the first time I hear it, just as Samuel did not know that God was calling him until Eli told him so. The comfort for me is that if Samuel didn't realize that God would call him, then maybe it's OK if I don't recognize God's voice the first time either! The catalyst for me is that God will continue to call me and that I am expected at some point to answer.

Recognizing God's voice above the din of my life isn't always easy, but I have found a few steps to employ in order to make the listening process a little easier. The first one is to remember that God IS calling me, even if I'm not aware of it or willing to admit it. If I can accept this as a fact, then I can move more easily to the next step, which is to invite God to speak. When I invite God to speak to me, I assume a posture of listening and realize that I will be imperfect in this stage.

The listening for me will require that I draw away from my life for a bit of time in order to allow God to talk to me. I spend an hour each week in the Adoration Chapel at Guardian Angels Church in Oakdale. I begin by reading one, short verse from Scripture (which I turn to randomly and find, again randomly, on the page). I then sit and ask God to speak to me through this verse. I listen to what my heart says. I then have a quiet conversation with God about the things my heart is saying. As I do this, I find that the hour speeds by, and soon I'm done and thank God for the time we've spent together.

As I then move out into my life, I work to be receptive to the little moments in my day where I hear God speaking to me. For instance, I went to the grocery store on Saturday and saw a woman providing samples for a delicious-looking berry crisp. Sitting at her table was a gentleman in a wheelchair, who was attempting to eat his sample with one hand while unsteadily holding the little cup with his other hand. A voice in my heart asked if I would be willing to hold the cup for the man while he finished eating his taste of the berry dessert. I parked my cart and just walked over to the table, said hello to the woman and at the same time just took the man's cup and held it. He looked up at me with such surprise and I just smiled. He accepted my gesture and finished eating. When he was done, he said that things were much easier with a little help. I replied that I find most things in life easier with a little help. I then took my own sample and completed my shopping.

As we move through our lives, let us be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit - to move us where the Spirit wishes to move us and to do the work the Spirit needs us to do. Let us trust that the things we hear in our hearts are truly from the Spirit and let us move out to the world with confidence and courage. In this way, we will bring the Spirit's comfort as the catalyst we are meant to be.

Kate Soucheray

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Do you still have a photograph from one of these weekends?
Weekend #011, #105, #126, #143, #235, and #241

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CURSILLO WEEKENDS 247 AND 248

St. Bartholomew's in Wayzata

MEN'S, FEBRUARY 13-16, 2003

COORDINATOR: PAUL CAMAROTE

WOMEN'S, FEBRUARY 20-23, 2003

COORDINATOR: CHRIS WILLIAMS

(YOU MUST HAVE MADE WEEKEND 243/244 OR EARLIER AND BE GROUPING AND ATTENDING ULTREYA TO BE ELIGIBLE TO WORK.)

FUTURE WEEKENDS THAT ARE BEING PLANNED:

249	ST. AMBROSE WOODBURY	5/1/2003
250	ST. AMBROSE WOODBURY	5/8/2003
251	ST. MICHAEL STILLWATER	9/11/2003
252	ST. MICHAEL STILLWATER	9/18/2003
253	ST. JOSEPH HOPKINS	11/13/2003
254	ST. JOSEPH HOPKINS	11/20/2003

Jesus invites you to consider working one of these weekends. We are His hands and feet. Team applications are available at Ultreyas, and on our web site. They should be filled-out and given to your Ultreya Representatives immediately. Applications are kept on file for one year from date of submittal and approval.

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Ultreyas Dates for January

2 St. Cloud, St. Benedict's, St. Joseph 7:00 pm
3 Northeast, St. Peter's, North St. Paul, Potluck 6:30 pm
3 North Minneapolis, St. Williams in Fridley 7:30 pm
5 Northern Lakes, St. Joseph's, Lino Lakes 7:00 pm

Midwest, IHM, Minnetonka No longer active

10 Restful Waters, St. Dominic's, Northfield 7:30 pm

11 St. Paul Midway, St. Mark's, St. Paul 8:00 am

11 Highland Park, St. Gregory's, St. Paul 7:00 pm

11 Northwest, St. Henry's, Monticello 7:30 pm

11 Spanish-Speaking, St. Stephen's, Minneapolis 7:30 pm

Even months are at Our Lady of Guadalupe

Odd months are at St. Stephen's

12 Western, St. John's, Excelsior 7:00 pm

18 Jacob's Well, Holy Name, Medina 7:00 pm

18 MN Valley, Risen Savior, Burnsville 7:00 pm

19 Deaf Community, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Mpls 11:00 am

Korean, Korean Catholic Church, St. Paul No longer active

18 * SW Servants, St. Michael, Prior Lake 7:00 pm

26 Vietnamese Community, St. Joseph Hien, Mpls. 1:30 pm

Weekly Open Groups:

Northwest, St. Henry's, Monticello, Tues. 6:00 pm

Spanish Speaking, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Sat. 9:00 am

* Change to the 3rd Saturday of the month.

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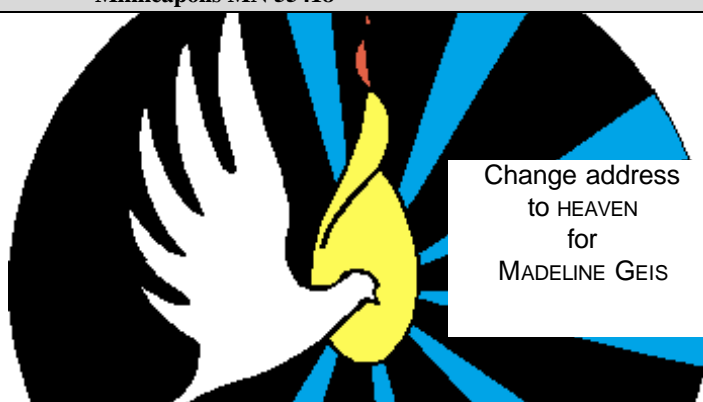
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