

You're Invited...

A DAY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT CURSILLO...
 ...it's history, how teams are formed, details of a 3-day weekend,
 ways to get involved in post-Cursillo and more!

**FORMATION SCHOOL will be held at
 St. Thomas Community Center in West Springfield
 Sunday, Oct. 14 It will run 9am-3pm
 Bring a bag lunch, we'll supply beverage and dessert.**

Open to all Cursillistas.

Come by yourself, with a friend or gather your group and spend the day together sharing and learning.

Great formation for yourself and/or your group or if you're just looking to learn more about Cursillo. Team members include: Donna Gaudrault, Tom Lamondia, Judy Lloyd, Katie Orellana, Dorene Pennell, Jim Ripa & Joyce Rosati.

Please register by Oct. 8th

Dorene Pennell at 467-3724 or email: dorene@pipmail.com

FEED MY LAMBS

Eileen Mariani

"Feed my lambs. Feed my sheep." The banquet has started! Members of our Cursillo community have been meeting monthly for the past year in order to develop a School of Leaders. And the purpose of this article is to encourage you to join us! Our major goals are to educate ourselves on the Cursillo Movement in general, in light of Catholic teaching, and to learn practical ways that we can support the Cursillo mission. We have an opportunity to share with each other in small group discussion and in the traditional Cursillo method of grouping. Many of those attending Leaders' School now are long time committed Cursillistas who wish to serve the movement and grow in their own spiritual development. They wish to continue their journey of faith and formation and have chosen to be with others who see Cursillo as their primary form of action. Cursillo changed their lives and they wish to evangelize their environments as leaders of the Cursillo movement. And as with all things Cursillo, the opportunities for growth and development are open to those who are like minded whether a long term Cursillista or a very brand new one!!! The meetings last from 7:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. and are held at St. Patrick's Hall in South Hadley. We gather on the second Wednesday of each month except for November when the meeting will be on Tuesday, November 13th – same time, same place. Two prepared talks are given, one is doctrinal and the other is a technique talk. At our September meeting Deacon Wendell Pennell gave the doctrinal talk on Baptism and the call to holiness for all of us, as the baptized. Rose Stella offered her experience as a CCD director giving us insights into the faith life of families and how that can be enhanced. All talks seek to deepen our understanding of what it means to be a mature Catholic and a more knowledgeable Cursillista. So please consider coming together with us and feasting on this gift we have been given.

De Colores



CLIP OUT & SAVE!

Oct	Nov	Dec	CALENDAR
19	16	21	DIOCESAN Ultreya - 7:30 p.m. (3rd Fri.) Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, Holyoke, MA
10	Tues 13th	12	School of Leaders 7-9pm (2nd Wed.) St. Patrick's Chapel, South Hadley, MA
6*	2	7	Monthly Vigil for Cursillo St. John's, Agawam, MA (sign up info below)
Fri, Oct. 5-8			NEW LOCATION Men's Cursillo Weekend - St. John's AGAWAM CLOSING 7PM Monday 8th
~~~~SAVE THE DATES~~~~			
Men's Retreat – <b>February 1st--3rd, 2013</b> – Retreat coordinator - Dan VanKruinigen -- More info to come			
Women's Retreat – <b>March 1st--3rd, 2013</b> – More info to come Interested in running a retreat with your group? Contact Judy Lloyd at jllloyd2@MassMutual.com			
Women's Weekend – Patriot's Day <b>April 12th--15th, 2013</b> -- <b>Sponsor Today!</b> Rector, Rose Stella, Asst. Rector, Carol Tourangeau			
<b>Visit our website for applications, latest updates and to register your email address for notices and reminders</b> <a href="http://www.cursillowmass.org">www.cursillowmass.org</a>			

## CURSILLISTAS IN ACTION

*Lou Dellacroce*

Many Cursillistas recently came together at the Bureau for Exceptional Children and Adults, a.k.a. Jericho, to spruce up a room for seminarian John Hurley. Also a Cursillista, John is beginning his last year at Blessed John XXIII Seminary in Weston, MA (Study) and will be ordained a priest in June.

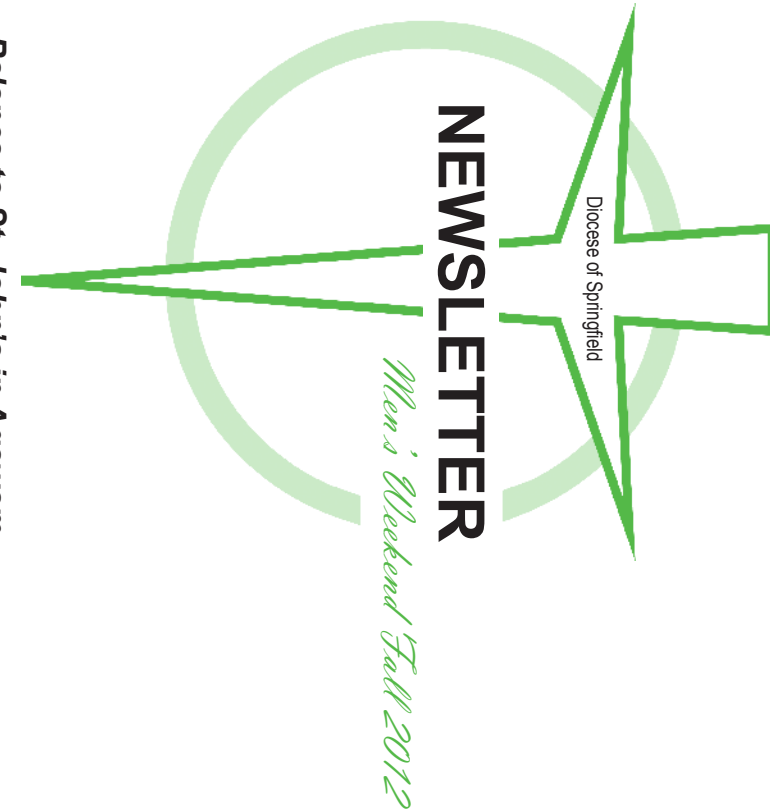
When asked to help plan a Pig Roast to benefit Jericho in honor of John, it was a "no brainer." I've had the privilege to attend many Sunday Masses at Jericho and have seen John in action. In a small way, I feel honored to be able to put my Christianity into Action by helping John and Jericho fulfill their mission to bring the love of Jesus and His Church to those with disabilities and their families. Along with Sr. Joan and many volunteers, they do so with great dignity and respect.

Please join us at the Jericho Celebration Center for 4:00 PM Mass on Saturday, October 20th. The celebration will continue after Mass next door at the pavilion. For tickets or more information contact Lou at lou_dellacroce@hotmail.com

*De Colores*

**VIGIL FOR CURSILLO** held the 1st Friday of EVERY MONTH  
 Please consider volunteering for one hour on the 1st Friday at St. John the Evangelist church, Main St., Agawam. ***On the month with a Cursillo Weekend, it is held the Saturday of that weekend, so call today for the upcoming Men's Weekend -Vigil will be held Saturday, Oct. 6.** We have a request from the faithful volunteers that have been keeping this going for some new volunteers. This would be a wonderful Action for your group and for yourself, or palanca for a loved one. Call Barb Weissbrod at 532-5474

Palanca to St. John's in Agawam  
**Men's Weekend**  
**Fri. Oct. 5 - Oct 8**  
 Closing 7pm Mon 8th!



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## MEN'S TEAM

Friday, October 5 - Monday, October 8

### St. John's, Agawam

Rector	Tom Domenichelli	Action (Evangelization)	Jae Helenek
Assistant Rector	Matt Lavallee	Leaders	Tom Rodriguez
Spiritual Advisors	Msgr. David Joyce	Study of Environment	John Davitt
	Deacon Mike Perkins	Christian in Action	Al Rosati
Ideal	Leo Arel	Ninth Member	Jim Murphy
Layperson in the Church	Jim Maiolo	Head Cha	Jerry Adams
Piety (Holiness)	Rick Robar	Cha	Tim Bates
Study (Formation)	Dave LaPierre	Cha	Phil Spigarelli

## CANDIDATES

For updates/changes go to [www.cursillowmass.org](http://www.cursillowmass.org)

CANDIDATE	CITY	SPONSOR
Chuck Alfano	Enfield, CT	Wendell Pennell
Joe Ciejka	Ware	Sr. Marlene Mucha
Jim Coppola	Agawam	Gary Lawrence
Dan Cosenzi	Springfield	Mike Perkins
Dave Cavanaugh	Belchertown	Dave Lapierre
Tom Daly	Springfield	Bill Toller
Charlie Dunn	Springfield	Kimberly Dunn
Pete Hebert	Springfield	Tom Gaudreault
James Janezviewicz	Springfield	Mike Perkins
Wendell Mitchell	Springfield	Dorothy Mitchell
Ted Muszynski	Agawam	Bob and Pat Triggs
Dave Picard	Agawam	Virginia Thomas
Mike Porcello	Longmeadow	Nelson Letendre
Homer Quesnel	Springfield	Nelson Letendre
Augie Steutzel	Springfield	Mike Perkins
Frank Wotton III	Holyoke	Bernie Marshall

**PALANCA** . . . for the Men's weekend comes out on Saturday, Oct. 6. It can be delivered to at the rear of the kitchen located on the left side of the social center before noon if you want your candidate to get your palanca early. IF that is not possible, of course you can deliver it any time during the weekend.

### VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We will start **setting up the Parish Center at St. Johns in Agawam on the 5th at 1:00 pm.** If you have the time to come to the hall and lend a hand it will be greatly appreciated as always. Will need help with closing also.

Contact Jason at [jason.a.george@comcast.net](mailto:jason.a.george@comcast.net)



## MEET YOUR RECTOR - Tom Domenichelli

Hi, my name is Tom Domenichelli. I will be the rector on the next men's weekend. I live in Ludlow, MA with my son, John, and my daughter, Deanna. My Cursillo journey began in October 1994 with a weekend at St Brigid's in Amherst where I sat at the table of St Michael.

I can tell you, sitting in the Rollo room back then, I would have laughed if someone had told me I would someday be on a team, let alone be a Rector. But, God has plans for us that we would never dream of. Oh, He laughs too, but His sense of humor is quite different from ours. He takes these exact situations and turns them into experiences that humble us. It is through these experiences that we receive the gift of Grace to be that which we think is not possible. That has been the case with me. I have always loved to serve, but in the background, where it is not noticed - do my part and then fade into the scenery. It was safe and easy, my comfort zone.

It has been through my Cursillo brothers and sisters that God has changed me. They have been the voice of Jesus when I really needed to hear, the hand of Jesus when I needed direction, the heart of Jesus which has brought me peace, and the gentle prodding of the Father that has pushed me to be more than I am.

Now, I am in that remarkable position of meeting every week with a group of remarkable men and with Christ in fellowship and preparation. It is truly humbling to be in their presence. What is also humbling is your support and everything that you do to make the weekend possible. We thank you and we ask for your continued prayers that we can be the voice, hands, heart, eyes, ears of Christ for the men who come on their weekend to join the journey call Cursillo.

## NOTE FROM THE LAY DIRECTOR

Great news! Finally, after six months of waiting, it looks like we're going to have a men's weekend! Sadly, it's been over a year and a half since our last Men's Rector, Dan Van Kruijning, led a weekend. Tom Domenichelli, our current rector, and his entire team should be congratulated for their time and dedication; not one team member dropped out and everyone stayed focused on remaining a "Team" until we had enough candidates to present a Cursillo weekend.

I can remember only one other time in my 30 years in Cursillo of having a weekend postponed. So, my appeal to you my friends is that we must, as a community dedicated to evangelizing our environments, NEVER let this happen again. Miracles take place on these weekends, there is no doubt about it and lives are positively enhanced on these weekends. Sponsoring is a tough commitment, but what a gift this can be.

Please, before we get into another position of possibly cancelling a weekend, consider sponsoring someone from one of your many environments. If you do it now, we can hopefully schedule an additional weekend before next October.

Hope to see many of you at the Men's Closing on October 8th!!

*De Colores*

## DEAR FRIENDS

I'm going on retreat next week (September 10 - 14). I'll be with a number of priests from our Diocese at St. Edmund's Retreat House at Enders Island, a small island off the coast at Mystic, CT. It's a wonderful place for a retreat, and I'm really looking forward to it.

A retreat is a time to re-focus, to sort out once again what's important and what's not, an experience of conversion, where we commit ourselves again to

*Msgr. David Joyce*

living out all the implications of those important things. So that's what I'll be doing next week. Of course, I'll have a little rest and recreation too - I'm looking forward to it all.

A retreat is also a special time for prayer: in my case, making up for prayer that's been missed because of so many distractions. One of my prayers will be a prayer of gratitude - not only for the many blessings that are mine, but also gratitude that our Men's Cursillo will go forward on the weekend of October 5 - 8, a prayer of gratitude for the team who've remained hopeful for a long time, and now make their final preparations to share God's gifts with our candidates. And I'll pray for our candidates as well - a prayer I'm sure will be answered - that they will open themselves to God's grace on this weekend.

And for all who read this, please pray for our candidates - and let them know you're thinking of them. *De Colores*

## ~ MEMORIALS ~

**Carol Anne (Renaud) Zawrotny** - 4/28/12  
Weekend - Nov. 13, 1983  
Team - April 17, 1989

**Dot Dineen** - July 2012  
Weekend - unknown  
Team - April 26, 1970

**Rita Phillips** - July 2012  
Weekend - May 31, 1971

**James Alderson** - August 15, 2012  
Weekend - April 24, 2005  
Team - April 2007

**Dona Kane** - August 28, 2012  
Weekend - June 30, 1975  
Team - Nov. 1975, June 1979, Nov. 1980  
Rector - May 1983  
Team - Nov. 1990, Nov. 1993, May 2002

**Francis (Fran) Viens** - September 8, 2012  
Weekend - May, 1976  
Team - April 1983, May 1987, Oct. 1990

**Eileen McMahon** - August 2012  
Weekend - Unknown (Maybe in CT?)  
Team - Nov. 12, 1967

*Be doers of the word  
and not hearers only.*

*James 1:22*

## ~ CONTRIBUTIONS ~

**for Cursillo**  
from Jeanne Gaudet  
from Mary Fluery

**in Memory of  
Dot Dineen**  
from Gertrude Carney

**in Memory of  
Joe Murray**  
from Irene & John Bledsoe

**in Honor of  
Kate Rucci**  
from Sue & Tom Lamondia

**in Honor of  
Pat & Bob Triggs'  
50th Wedding Anniversary**  
from

Marjorie Gates  
Catherine Leary, SSJ  
Margie & Mike Riley  
Faith St. Onge  
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