



Rooster Tales

Fall 2012

NEWS FROM ACROSS CANADA

Please copy and distribute this newsletter to all Secretariat members and Cursillistas

Central Newfoundland – (www.cursilloadcn.org)

Central Newfoundland held a workshop on “Knowing Your Spiritual Gifts”, three (3) Ultreyas and their Annual General Meeting. In January they will be holding their annual Revista, this time at Holy Trinity Parish, Grand Falls-Windsor. They are in the process of redoing their website and hope to have it completed in the coming year. They have asked us to pray for understanding, that our role as servants within the servant community be accepted and understood. Pray also that more young people will get involved.

Weekend: Co-ed October 18-21, 2012

Western Newfoundland

A Christmas Ultreya will be held in early December with a Potluck and Eucharist. They have asked our prayers for the Cursillo Movement in general.

Weekend: Co-ed May 17-20, 2013.

For more information contact Larry Renouf (larryrenouf@gmail.com).

Nova Scotia/PEI – (www.nspeicursillo.chebucto.org)

Men's and Women's weekends were held in April/May 2012, followed by a combined 4th Day Seminar and Welcome Back Ultreya on June 9th, 2012. As a result of some Secretariat members attending a CLW in New Brunswick in October 2011, changes were made to the Spring Weekends. Ten members attended the 2012 Triennial Conference and General Meeting in Ottawa in June. Secretariat is now working on the development of Guidelines for the Movement. CACS Library manuals have been updated with the latest revisions. Plans are underway to update all Weekend Manuals. Planning and preparations are underway to form and begin a Servant Community and have it in place by January 2013. A Diocesan wide Cursillo Day was held in September 2012 with a theme of “Feed My Sheep” and was open to all Cursillistas and other interested individuals. Secretariat hosted CACS for their meeting in October 2012. They have asked for prayers for their Movement to see an awakening in our Diocese in men and women to become candidates and a renewed commitment from our new and old Cursillistas to participate in Fourth Day activities.

Weekends: Men's – April 25-28, 2013 Women's – May 2-5, 2013

Fredericton – (www.anglican.nb.ca)

A Grand Ultreya was held in June. The Miramichi area Cursillistas held a picnic for the Anglican community as well as their friends and family in August with over 100 in attendance. A one-day workshop is being held in Saint John in October. They are hoping to start up new Ultreyas in various areas of the Diocese in October/November 2012. Secretariat would like prayers to help them reach young adults to include them in Cursillo.

Weekends: Planning is on-going for weekends in 2013 – Dates to be announced.

Ottawa – (www.oacm.ca)

Ottawa was thrilled to host the Spring CACS meeting and the 2012 Canadian Anglican Cursillo Triennial in June. Team meetings are taking place for the 117th Women's Weekend being held in November. They are

updating their Policy and Procedures Manual as well as their Weekend Team Manual. At the AGM concern was raised over the lack of people willing to serve on Secretariat. Those in attendance asked Secretariat to hold an evening where the wider community could meet to discuss the future plans for Cursillo and come up with sustainable solutions. This meeting is scheduled for early December 2012. Please pray for the December meeting and that God will guide and strengthen them as they continue the work of Secretariat and that God's will for OACM will be done.

Weekends: Women's: November 8-11, 2012 Men's: deferred to Fall 2013

Niagara- (www.niagaracursillo.org)

Weekend #47 was held in May and was small but mighty and did much to inspire new leaders and experienced ones as well. Huron held two Ultreyas which is a huge step forward as they have been struggling to get up and running again. There is much excitement in the leadership about this achievement. Active grouping is taking place in both Dioceses. This is where they support each other, get new members and it is the strength behind getting the Weekends staffed. A 30th Anniversary of Cursillo Weekends will be held in Niagara and they have a planning committee working on a celebration. They are planning a service at the Cathedral with both Bishops present and a dinner following. On November 10th they are holding a Leaders School, which will be focussed on the skill set of table enablers but will be useful to all who are seeking to influence their environments. They are hoping this will allow the Weekend training sessions to focus on team building and the flow of the Weekend rather than individuals' skills. Please pray for the Cursillo Movement there to be blessed with enthusiasm and wisdom as they do their work.

Weekends: Co-ed April 11-14, 2013

Qu'Appelle – (www.quappellecursillo.org)

Qu'Appelle is planning to hold a Day of Deeper Understanding in Regina, February 22-23, 2013. They have asked for prayer for those who are very complacent about their faith – pray that they want to step out in faith and witness by their actions in their everyday environments.

Weekends: Women's: November 15-18, 2012 Men's: February 14-17, 2013

Edmonton – (www.edmontoncursillo.ca)

Men's and Woman's weekends held in May and Welcome Ultreya BBQ in June for new Cursillistas and community. Christmas dinner is planned for the December Ultreya. On a positive note, both 2012 weekends included a higher percentage of young people (though overall numbers were less). The Secretariat is seeking prayer to have people step forward to serve on Secretariat. As well, they have requested prayer for the entire community in the Diocese of Edmonton to support the continued success of doing Christ's work.

Weekend: Co-ed November 21-24, 2013 – Date may change..

Calgary – (www.cursillo.ab.ca)

A new Bishop has been appointed and the Secretariat is looking forward to what direction and vision he has for the Movement. Their website has been updated to enable access by mobile devices. They have asked for prayers that their new Bishop continues to support the Movement and that the initiative that Secretariat has implemented with respect to visiting the Parishes bears fruit.

Weekends: Men's: October 25-28, 2012 Women's: November 1-4, 2012

BC - (www.cursillobc.com)

The Cursillo Movement is activating the Servant Community.

Secretariat is interested in hosting the next CACS meeting (Spring 2013) and participating in a Cursillo Learners Workshop (CLW). They have asked for prayer that younger people and young families with children would take part in the Movement.

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Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior (APCI)

At the end of September 2012, at the request of the Secretariat, the Bishop, the Right Reverend Barbara Andrews agreed to terminate the Cursillo Movement in that Diocese. CACS received this information with regret and hopes that in the future Cursillo will once again be offered in the Diocese.

DIOCESAN WEBSITES

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Western Newfoundland	contact: Larry Renouf (larryrenoufj@gmail.com)
Nova Scotia & PEI	www.nspeicursillo.chebucto.org
Fredericton	www.anglican.nb.ca
Niagara	www.niagaracursillo.org
Ottawa	www.oacm.ca
Qu'Appelle-	www.quappellecursillo.org
Edmonton	www.edmontoncursillo.ca
Calgary	www.cursillo.ab.ca
British Columbia	www.cursillobc.com
CACS Website	www.anglicancursillo.com



October 2012 CACS Meeting

The October CACS meeting was hosted by the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island Cursillo Movement October 1-3, 2012. CACS members extended grateful thanks to the Diocesan Secretariat for all they did to organize the details around our meeting and for their generous hospitality.

Much discussion took place concerning the complexities of liability; who is covered and how that coverage is applied. A paper is being prepared to help Diocesan Secretariats to navigate this subject. We are hoping to have something available in the near future.

A new CACS Action Plan for 2012-15 is being developed with the focus of our work to include visiting struggling Movements, holding CLWs in as many Dioceses as possible and offering assistance to all Movements to keep them healthy and authentic.

Guideline Papers - A new guideline paper is almost ready on *Individual and Collective Apostolic Action* and we retired the guideline paper, *How to Support your Local Clergy*. Members felt this guideline was exclusive rather inclusive of the whole people of God and the shared ministry of both clergy and laity, and that we all need support and encouragement in our ministry. The guideline paper *Weekend Team Selection and Development* has had an amendment made to it to include the following as the first bullet under Eligibility Criteria for Team Members – “A Team Member must have completed a Three Day Cursillo Weekend as a candidate, preferably an Anglican Cursillo Weekend.” You will find this amended paper under “Guidelines” on the CACS website.

Individual Donations to CACS

The Canadian Anglican Cursillo Secretariat (CACS) is a registered non-profit organization and because of that designation, can provide tax receipts for personal donations towards its work. None of the members of CAACS are paid for time spent on CACS activities and all donations are used solely to promote its purpose. We would welcome any and all personal contributions towards the work of CACS. Your donations can be sent to:

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



To the members of the Canadian Anglican Cursillo family:

Now that my first meeting as Chair of the Canadian Anglican Cursillo Secretariat is over, I can stop worrying about how it will work out and put more energy into the work which needs to be done.

God calls us to use our time and talents, along with our treasure to bring forth the kingdom here on earth. Have you thought about how you will use your time in regard to inviting your friends to experience the fullness of a Cursillo experience? Can you stop for one moment and think about the feelings you had on your Cursillo weekend and then, in the silence of your heart, think of someone who you would like to invite to a similar experience? I am reminding you of this opportunity for Apostolic Action because we are hearing from a number of Dioceses that candidate numbers are down.

We also continue to hear from across our country about the declining numbers of men who attend Cursillo Weekends and even after they experience a weekend, they don't often participate in Fourth Day activities. We are mindful that this too could easily affect women's participation as well.

Cursillo is such a wonderful gift to the Church; it connects with our Baptismal Covenant and the Anglican Church of Canada's "Marks of Mission". I invite you to go to the CACS website and have a look at the presentation – *Cursillo and the Parishes*. It is a very informative presentation which you could take to your Church and use during a sermon time, or take to your Priest or Synod, etc. and show them what Cursillo is all about. This presentation is a very helpful tool in spreading the word about Cursillo and its place in preparing individuals for mission – engaging us in ministry outside the Church as well as within the Church. Cursillo is a great tool for developing leaders and equipping individuals for leadership. Don't let this gift from God fall by the wayside because there isn't enough time to get involved. God gives us time – it is God's gift to us and we need to make the most of it.

During this past CACS meeting, it was noted with great sadness that the Cursillo Movement in the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior of British Columbia (APCI) has now officially closed shop. Please volunteer to serve within your Cursillo Movement and participate in Fourth Day activities, so that we don't have to say good bye to yet another Diocesan Cursillo Movement.

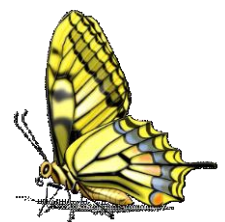
We are here to do what we can to help – please contact your CACS representative or myself. Our contact information is contained in this Newsletter.

I leave you with this quote which I found recently which speaks to me of where we are right now in the Cursillo Movement in this country and what we need to do.

"Do not wait; the time will never be "just right". Start where you stand, work with whatever tools you may have at your command, and better tools will be found as you go along. (Napoleon Hill)

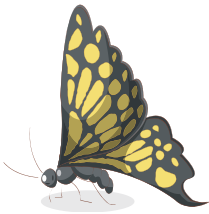
I promise to be there to do what I can to help during my term as Chair of CACS. I have always tried to be a person whose glass is half full and I feel full of hope and optimism for this brilliant program called Cursillo and all that it offers to us. I challenge you to join me in this mission of hope and optimism for Cursillo as we work together to nurture the gift of Cursillo in our Church.

Ultreya and Blessings, Victoria Henrikson



NATIONAL CURSILLO PRAYER CYCLE

- [Monday](#) Pray for the Cursillo Movement Worldwide.
- [Tuesday](#) Pray for Cursillo in Canada & your National Secretariat
- [Wednesday](#) Pray for the Cursillo Movements and all Dioceses in the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada: The Dioceses of Western Newfoundland, Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador, Central Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Montreal and Quebec.
- [Thursday](#) Pray for the Cursillo Movements and all Dioceses in the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario: The Dioceses of Ottawa, Toronto, Huron, Algoma, Moosonee and Niagara.
- [Friday](#) Pray for the Cursillo Movements and all Dioceses in the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: Diocese of Rupert's land, Qu'Appelle, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Keewatin, The Arctic, Edmonton, Athabasca and Calgary.
- [Saturday](#) Pray for the Cursillo Movements and all Dioceses in the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and the Yukon: The Diocese of the Yukon, New Westminster, British Columbia, Kootenay, APCI and Caledonia
- [Sunday](#) Pray for your own Diocesan Movement.



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Cursillo and the Parishes – a power point presentation

Your CACS Secretariat has worked for months developing a power point presentation entitled *Cursillo and the Parishes* to be used during Synods, at Parishes, Clergy Days and Cursillo events or wherever you want to present information about the Cursillo Movement.

The presentation is on the CACS website and your CACS representative also has a copy of it. It is meant to be used by a presenter who will add additional information as it is being shown. It runs for approximately 15 minutes and then there could be an opportunity for questions at the end of the presentation.

We are also working on a shorter version of this which would be used during those times when it would be unattended and would run on a continuous loop – such as a booth at Synod.

Although the presentation itself was developed by CACS, we offer our grateful thanks to Susan Lewis of the Ottawa Movement who has put the “finishing touches” on this presentation. She is also working on the shorter version. Thanks Susan!!

We invite you to check it out on our Website and use it wherever you can to spread the word about Cursillo and help alleviate any concerns that there is something secretive about Cursillo.



Palanca Drops

In the CACS Spring Diocesan Report form, we asked you about the number of Palanca Drops which are made during your Cursillo Weekends. These are the numbers which were reported:

- 1 Diocese – 1 drop
- 4 Dioceses – 3 drops
- 3 Dioceses – 5 drops
- 1 Diocese – 7-9 drops

Facebook

Yes, CACS has a Facebook page and we would encourage you to “friend” us and let us know what is going on in your part of the Cursillo Movement. It is a great way to stay connected.

Overview of recent and upcoming Cursillo Weekends

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Please keep all these weekends in your prayers that God will bless them with a bounty of participants.