

APPROVED

LANSING CURSILLO SECRETARIAT MEETING MINUTES

St. Mary Star of the Sea; Jackson, MI

August 3, 2018

Attendance: Phil & Mary Berkemeier, Lisa & Mike Dubinski, Andie Glanzman, Maria Jaimez, Marybeth Kaak, Gary & Laura Langdon, Marie Luckner, Gene Myers, Fr. Tim Nelson, Carol Perez, Gerry Rice, Alice Rock, Jackie Rowe, Maria Rodriguez Martinez, Dan & Sally Wawiernia

The Secretariat meeting began at 6:40 PM with grouping. Mike Dubinski read the August 3rd meditation from the Magnificat for spiritual direction. The meditation offered that the first two beatitudes and the virtues of Faith and Hope create a kind of spaciousness or emptiness that allow God to work out his purpose in His own way.

Secretary Report: Minutes from the June 15, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer Report: Sarah Scholl submitted her treasurer report and an updated account audit. We currently have a total of \$6,548.49 in the account. That amount will be reduced by \$749.50 when the invoice for the ordered Spanish bibles is paid. A few donations have been received in response to the donation letter and envelopes that were distributed.

Because of the first set of Spanish weekends that are coming up, we will need to raise more funds to subsidize these weekends. Sarah wrote an email concerning the need to raise more funds for them. She is requesting that we ask our parishes to print it in their bulletin as a way of continuing our fundraising efforts.

The credits noted on the audit report without descriptive notations are donation deposits.

Palanca Report: Andie Glanzman continues to add palanca sent to her to our diocesan palanca letter.

Anyone may update her on their palanca for our letter by emailing her at Latinandie@yahoo.com or calling/texting: (517) 902-1641

CENTER REPORTS

Adrian, Charlotte, The Lakes, Lansing and Saline submitted written Center reports.

Adrian-Maria Jaimez: Adrian is on a summer break from Leaders School. The ladies continue to group on Tuesdays and the men on Saturday mornings. The Hispanic community is busy working as a team in migrant ministry on Wednesdays and meeting Sunday afternoons in Jackson for team formation.

The July Ultreya had a small group. Tom Thelen was the witness speaker and talked about perseverance. Discussion was held on changing the Ultreya day. Since the community has diversified, we want to continue being all inclusive. Most of the new Hispanic cursillistas are in landscaping and construction work so Saturday mornings are regular work days for them. We are proposing to change the Ultreya to 7 PM on Friday evenings. We will vote on the day change at our August Ultreya. Please pray for us.

Charlotte-Bill Siarny email: Leaders school has 10 members. Our Friday night group has about the same. A smaller group meets at St. Ann's. Attendance varies depending on what is going on in the lives of the people, but the groups meet weekly.

Cristo Rey-Maria Delgado: No Report

Flint-Gene Myers: Tuesday and Thursday group reunions are meeting. Gene and Marie are doing a Divine Mercy study.

Jackson-Marybeth Kaak: Ultreya was not held in June because of Faith Fest. There was no Ultreya in July either. The next Ultreya will be held in August.

We have three, active 4th day groups meeting. The newest group has decided to use one of the Monday mornings each month to pray together as an Apostolic Endeavor in front of Planned Parenthood.

The Lakes-Dan Wawiernia: The Lakes has two grouping sessions. One of the sessions now meets every other Monday or so in Jackson at 6:30 PM. The other session meets during the day every other Tuesday at 2:00 PM at St. Rita. Both groups are going very well.

We also have our Leaders School after our 6:30 PM grouping. We are finishing up the book, "My Other Self". It has been difficult to meet with a lot of things going on in our lives, but we are enjoying the book so much that we want to continue to the end.

Our Jackson Area Ultreya originally scheduled for Saturday, July 21st was cancelled. We look forward to the next Ultreya in August to be hosted by the Jackson Center.

Lansing-Laura Langdon: We've changed our grouping from Tuesday evenings to Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM. Our next Ultreya will be on August 8th at 6:30 PM at SFRC. There will not be a Mass as SFRC is having a 5:00 PM Mass that day. We are considering changing our group reunion to Saturday morning in the fall as we have many conflicts during the week. We would also like to switch the Ultreya to Saturday mornings. We haven't heard what is happening in Westphalia.

Livingston: No report.

Saline-Alice Rock/Jackie Rowe: We are discussing a fundraising event and a 'Palanca Party' for this month in preparation for the Spanish Weekends. How we proceed depends on news about the weekends obtained at the Secretariat meeting.

We plan to have a generalized discussion of Ultreya with our Center to encourage greater attendance. Leaders School is waiting for the next assignment. Four reunion groups meet weekly. The Tuesday women's group has changed its start time to 4:15 PM.

Two cursillistas from our Center attended the Ignatian Silent Retreat at St. Francis Retreat Center during July. Cursillista, Lynda Shea, ministered there as a spiritual director.

Pre-Cursillo Committee-Jackie Rowe/Maria Jaimez: The Pre-Cursillo team met on Monday, July 16th to discuss work that needed to be done and the upcoming Spanish weekends. Applications, sponsor forms, deposits, and team listings were all discussed, with hope that the policies that had been in place previously would be followed for the Spanish weekends. There was one exception with the thought that the application and sponsor forms should come in to SFRC together. Maria Jaimez thought she would be able to help handle this at the Sunday team meetings. This is very important if the candidate/sponsor do not speak English and with the weekends five weeks away. Applications should not be accepted without the sponsor form.

The candidate and sponsor forms will be translated by cursillista, Gladys Saborio. This will be done within the next week. Upon receiving the contact information, the packets will be sent out. The Spanish booklets have been received from Sarah Scholl.

Candidate and team listings for palanca will be sent out through SFRC as soon as available. There has been interest voiced about this.

Currently, we do not have any applications.

With confirmation of the spring, 2019 dates through Sarah Scholl, attempts were made to contact the 10 men and 2 women who had previously signed up for the upcoming fall weekends or who had voiced interest through SFRC. The (*incorrect*) spring dates of Women: Camp De Sales, March 7 – 10, 2019 & Men: SFRC, April 4 – 7, 2019 were given to these people.

Follow-up calls will be done within the next two weeks, with some delay due to the critical illness of Diane Eberhart's father.

Maria Jaimez added that some parish presentations have been done for the Spanish weekends and the Cursillo pamphlets are being handed out. They are also giving out the spring dates for the English weekends because some Spanish may want to live the English weekend as they speak English. She expects applications to come in just before Labor Day Weekend.

Maria handed out lists of team members for the Spanish weekends. Team members are coming from Adrian, Kalamazoo and Toledo. Salvador Sanchez from Toledo will be Co-rector and help Fr. Tim with the spiritual things on the men's weekend. We are still looking for a music person for men. The women are all set. Cate Ross will be the General Chairperson for the women. Andi Glanzman and Lisa Dubinski are designing the palanca chapel. The teams continue to meet every Sunday from 4-6 PM in Jackson.

Cursillo Committee-Gerry Rice: The Cursillo committee met to discuss the resignation of Joy Franklin as committee chair and the spring weekends for the English. Gerry had handouts of the Lawrence Lodge at Camp de Sales where the weekends will be held and pricing for meals that could be provided at De Sales. De Sales is giving us a 20% discount on lodging. The discount brings the cost per person for the three-night stay to \$68/ea. We would need to add the cost of the meals to this for each person or provide the food ourselves. The choice and price of meals were on one of the handouts. Gerry gave a hand-out of his Camp De Sales information to each center leader. The Cursillo committee plans to do a walk-thru of the area we would be using at the camp on Thursday, August 23rd at 6 PM. We will have recommendations for the August 24th Secretariat.

Post-Cursillo Committee: No report. Secretariat members who attended the Grand Ultreya at Faith Fest thought there was a good turnout for the Ultreya. Phil Berkemeier facilitated, Dan Wawiernia gave the witness and Phil gave the echo. Fr. Tim and Gary Langdon could be seen working the crowd, handing out information about Cursillo.

DISCUSSION

Gerry and Ann Rice still plan to do a workshop in late fall or winter on the Ultreya.

Mike asked for three men to help at the Cursillo table at the Women's Conference on Saturday, November 3rd.

Fr. Tim said he would have problem with Sunday Masses on the Spanish weekends. May be able to adjust the time of the Masses to fit his schedule.

We are still looking for a replacement for Scott Lee Brown.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 28th National Encounter will be held at Seattle University, Seattle, Washington on August 16-19, 2018. You can register online at www.natl-cursillo.org or call the National Cursillo Center at 512-746-2020.

Weekend Dates:

Spanish Fall: Men-SFRC (Sept. 6-9, 2018), Women-SFRC (Sept. 13-16, 2018)

English Spring: Men-Camp De Sales (March 7-10, 2019), Women-Camp De Sales (March 14-19, 2019)

Mike closed the meeting with the Leaders Prayer at 8:35 PM.

**NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 24, 2018 - 6:30 PM – St. Mary Star of the Sea, Jackson, MI
(NOTE: EARY BECAUSE OF SCHEDULED SPANISH WEEKENDS.)**

Submitted by: Marie Luckner