

# May Cursillo Report

**Summary of the SOL**—In May, the SOL was SATELLITE and was held in Huntsville at Holy Spirit Catholic Church and in Birmingham at St Thomas the Apostle, Montevallo from 9:30-11:30am. The doctrine talks were given by Deacon Bob Becher and Deacon Tim Vaughn respectively. The technique talk discussed the Cursillo Leaders' Manual. The slides for the May SOL can be found at [www.bhmcursillo.org](http://www.bhmcursillo.org) under SOL presentations.

Additional announcements concerning the movement are:

- A Men's weekend (#131) is now confirmed and will be held August 14-17, 2014. The Men's Rector is Bob McCoy from Holy Spirit, Huntsville. The team has been formed and is beginning team formation. There are still slots for the weekend available, so please submit your completed applications as soon as possible. A list of confirmed candidates will be posted to the Cursillo website beginning in July, but palanca can be offered at any time.
- Registration for the **Cursillo de Cursillo (CdC)** being held in the Diocese of Birmingham, **September 25-28, 2014** at St Bernard's Retreat and Conference Center in Cullman is going on now. The CdC is a "follow-on" Cursillo weekend for Cursillista, both men and women, who have already lived their original weekend, and is an opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Cursillo charism and movement while having the chance to encounter Christ and deepen friendships with your fellow Cursillistas.
  - The cost for this weekend currently is \$225 per person. However, if cost is an issue for you to attend the CdC, PLEASE know that funding is being made available for anyone who desires to attend the CdC.
  - CdC slots are now being assigned on a "first-come, first-served" submission of applications, so if you desire to attend, fill out a registration form and send in as soon as possible as 28 slots out of 80 available are already reserved. A list of registration forms received thus far is available and can be seen and downloaded at the website under "Postcursillo", "Cursillo de Cursillo" tab.
- The next Remote SOL will be held on **June 5th, 2014 at 7pm**. (The topic will from the May SOL) The Dial-in # is: (641) 715-3300. At the prompting, the access code is 1098398#. FYI—the call-in number and access code remains the same each month.
- The next SOL will be SATELLITE, and will be held on Saturday, June 14th, 9:30-11:30am, at the following locations:
  - Birmingham: St Elizabeth Ann Seton parish, 334 Main Street, Gardendale, 35071
  - Huntsville: St John the Baptist parish, 1055 Hughes Road, Madison, 35756, in the library.

- The **Cursillo Grand Ultreya/Summer Social will be held on Saturday, June 28, 2014** at Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Hanceville, AL from 10am-3pm. RSVP needed by Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> ONLY if you would like to reserve a catered lunch (Turkey or Tuna Sandwich Box Lunch for \$11 each). A flyer with a detailed schedule can be downloaded at the website.
- The next National Cursillo Encounter will be held July 31-August 3, 2014 at Chapman University in Orange Beach, CA. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time with our Cursillo brothers and sisters from across the United States, so consider making plans to participate as ANY Cursillista is welcome to participate. More information can be found at the National Cursillo website (<https://www.natl-cursillo.org/encounter/>)

**Cursillo Methodology**—“...the purpose of the Leaders’ Manual is to communicate the Mentality that gave origin to the Cursillo Movement and to serve as a tool to help Cursillo Leaders understand that the Precursillo and the Cursillo are for the Postcursillo.” (*Leaders’ Manual, U.S. Catholic Cursillo Movement, p. v-vi*)

**Cursillo Procedures**— “The Leaders’ Manual is the primary reference used by the Secretariat for guidance and making decisions regarding the Movement in the Diocese of Birmingham.”

**Questions/Concerns—**

*“Why should I read the Cursillo Leader’s Manual? Didn’t I learn what I needed to know about the Cursillo Movement during my Three Day Weekend?”*

While you were exposed to the basics of the Cursillo charism and the methodology during your Three Day weekend, there is MUCH more to learn and grow in understanding about the Cursillo Movement, so here are seven reasons to consider reading the Cursillo Leaders’ Manual: 1) to better live and understand the method in order to serve and safeguard it more authentically; 2) to assist in being in a state of progressive Christian conversion; 3) to improve the knowledge and practical experience of the Cursillo’s purpose and method so as to acquire more deeply the Cursillo mentality and communicate it more effectively to others 4) to deepen the knowledge of the Cursillo technique and its methodology, and apply it, especially the work of personal contact 5) to know and live the rollos of the Cursillo Weekend more deeply; 6) to develop the sense of being leaders with a Church mentality; and 7) to revitalize and invigorate the Precursillo, the Cursillo, the Ultreya and the Secretariat