



Cursillo Movement of Birmingham

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School of Leaders

May 9th, 2026

Sacred Heart Parish, Cullman AL

Start time: 9:30 am

Please plan to attend!

May 9	Sacred Heart, Cullman
June 13	St. E.A. Seton, Gardendale
July	Off
August 8	St. Thomas, Montevallo
Sept 12th	Grand Ultreya
Oct 10th	St. E.A. Seton, Gardendale
Nov 14th	Our Lady of the Lake, Pell City
Dec 12th	Secretariat Retreat

Work of the Sections from April SoL

Pre-Cursillo

Provide healthy snacks/water for candidates that have restrictions.

Encourage Grouping for the candidates prior to the weekend

Use 'toolkit terminology' when discussing Cursillo with potential candidates

3-Day

Investigate separate site for Masses. (Will re-address)

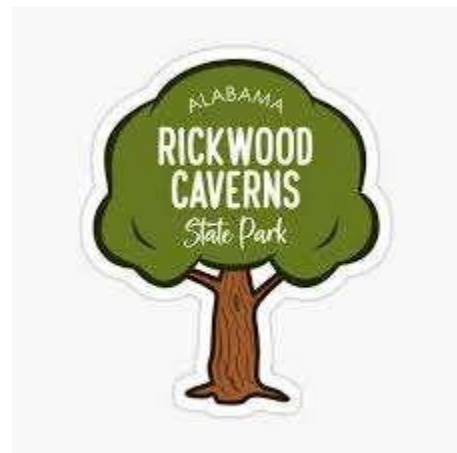
Script needs to be updated for Set Up

Need more outside breaks

Need coffee carafes for the Rollo Room (does anyone have carafes that can be donated?)

Post-Cursillo

Save the Date: Grand Ultreya will be held 9/12 at Rickwood Caverns in Warrior, AL. Potluck lunch from 10-2. Ultreyas will handle different chores. More details to come.



Upcoming Weekends

Men's Cursillo #149

August 13 – August 16, 2026

Women's Cursillo #150

April 8 – April 11, 2027

When sponsoring a candidate for a Cursillo weekend, remember that the candidate must read the "Cursillo: What is It?" booklet and the sponsor should read the "Sponsors Booklet". The applications ask if this has been done. Both documents are available for download from the website at birminghamcursillo.com, or they can be ordered from National for \$3/book.

The website also has an application packet which includes the Candidate Information Form, the Sponsor Application, and the Priest Approval Form. All three forms should be submitted together, if possible.

The candidate should not be directed to the website to access these forms, but instead the sponsor should download and provide the candidate only the "Cursillo: What is It?" booklet and the Candidate Information Form. The sponsor should complete the sponsor application and handle the clergy approval.

Prayers Needed

In Memoriam

Gene Shoemaker – Cursillista (Tuscaloosa)

Brent Stremel – Husband of Amanda, Cursillista (Madison)

Healing

LeAnn Rettler – Cursillista (Healing)

Dennis Malcolm Cursillista (Knee Replacement)

Feedback/Suggestions may be sent to bhmhoosier@bellsouth.net, or any Secretariat member.

Michele Fuller Cursillista (Surgery)

Mark Bonucchi Cursillista (Healing)

Marie Bonucchi Cursillista (Healing)

Happenings



Congratulations to the Candidates and Team for Women's Weekend 148!



Cursillo 148 Reunion

Saturday April 18

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Gardendale, AL

Fr. Ray Dunmyer recently celebrated his 50th anniversary of being ordained, and his homily included a mention of Cursillo. His story told of a man walking in the woods when a bear came up behind him. There was a cliff in front of him, so there was no escape. The man recalled how living a Cursillo weekend had changed his life, so maybe prayer could change the bear. He prayed fervently that the bear's nature would be changed as his was by Cursillo. Suddenly the bear stopped, dropped to his knees, folded his paws and began to pray. The bear's prayer began," Bless us Oh Lord...". The moral of the story recalls the power of prayer!



February School of Leaders at Good Shepherd



St,Thomas, April Ultreya!



March Ultreya, Madison!