

An Encounter with Christ

Through the Holy Spirit Cursillo encourages us to live what is fundamental to being a Christian. Cursillo promotes the creation of small community groups, with whom we 'leaven' our environment, and live the life we are called to by Christ.

The Catholic Church and the Diocese of Tulsa support the Cursillo Movement and its method.

Cursillo is...

1. An encounter with Christ.
2. A weekend course in Christianity, followed up with a sustained local community to help nourish your spiritual growth for a lifetime.
3. A means to form, sustain and link Catholics for Christ and His Church.




History


Cursillo which started in Majorca, Spain, in the 1940s, is a movement of the laity within the Catholic Church. The word "Cursillo" means "short course". The full name for Cursillo is "Cursillo de Christianidad" which translates into English as a "short course in Christian living."

The founders were dedicated to helping Catholics know Christ better. Their intention, then and now, is to give the laity a renewed spirituality and a clearer understanding of how Christ can work through them.

The Cursillo Movement came to the United States in 1957 with a Cursillo in Texas, conducted in Spanish.

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About The Weekend



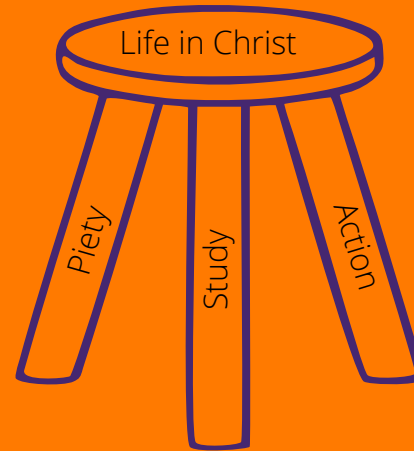
The Cursillo Method

Cursillo is an experience of people gathered into a small community by Christ to promote their growth in grace and to intensify their ability to be His witnesses in the world.

The Three Day Weekend

Twice a year, a Cursillo 3-day weekend is held separately for men and women in English and Spanish to introduce candidates to Cursillo and provide an experience to enable them to follow Jesus more faithfully and effectively. A team of religious and lay people present a series of talks for candidates and the entire group calls upon the Holy Spirit for enlightenment and guidance. During the three days lay people and clergy come together to gain a deep, permanent, living awareness of treasure and responsibility of their faith. Candidates may come with many questions and apprehensions, but they leave full of joyful enthusiasm as brothers and sisters in Christ, determined to extend His kingdom.

Cursillo Tripod



Study



Piety



Action

What is Cursillo?

Cursillo ("kur-see-yo") is a Spanish word meaning "short course". Cursillo in Christianity means short course in Christianity. It is a lay Catholic Movement of the Church with a method to live Christian ideals.

The Message is Simple

To be a Christian in the fullest sense, in the everyday activities of life- with family, in the workplace and community.

It's a Learning Experience

It is not merely a retreat. The material covered is as old as Christ's message, uniquely experienced in the spirit of community, which is the real joy of the Cursillo weekend.

Cursillo Requirements

A candidate should be in good standing with the Catholic Church. Each person who participates in Cursillo needs a sponsor, that is, someone who has already participated in a Cursillo weekend. The sponsor will provide the candidate with information about Cursillo and provide an application form. The signature of a priest is needed on the application form.