

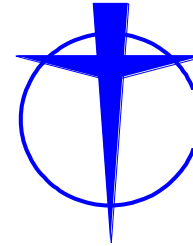
## Cursillo Weekends

Please consider who among your congregations, and those of neighbouring churches, would benefit from the Cursillo Method. Pray for them and invite them to a Group Re-union or Ultreya with a view to their attending a Weekend. The next weekends dates:

29 April - 2 May and 21 - 24 October 2010 at Wistaston Hall, Crewe

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## CHESTER ANGLICAN CURSILLO® Newsletter AUTUMN 2009

### Greetings from the Weekend Coordinator of Chester Cursillo

It has been such a privilege to take on the role of Weekend Coordinator although it is testing my organisational skills to the utmost.

The primary pleasure and privilege of the role comes with being amongst the first contacts that participants have with Cursillo as I receive the applications and liaise with the weekend Lay Rector and the venue. Another part of my role is working with the Secretariat and Servant Community. This has provided a great revelation, seeing all the love and support provided by the whole Cursillo community that is the foundation to each weekend.

As a participant I became aware of some of that love, prayer and tangible support through the course of my weekend. As a staff member my knowledge and experience grew but having been much more involved in a few weekends I am in awe of the amount of work and preparation that is put in by Moyra (as 4<sup>th</sup> Day Officer) and the wider Cursillo community as well as the staff team for the weekend itself.

In order to be reasonable stewards of your gifted time and monies the Secretariat have in recent times had to decide whether to run a weekend with fewer participants or cancel before incurring the large cost of the venue. The most difficult part of my own role is that week in which we have to decide whether to run the weekend or not. With only one, or recently no applications received on the day before the due date it is a very anxious time. If I hadn't already been white haired when I started in this post then I would be now.

Why do we not have at least the minimum number of participants before that week? Is it

- our individual thoughtlessness
- a lack of action or
- a failure of the Holy Spirit?

It would be a relief to all those involved in the preparation of the weekend to have the applications in good time; we can always take more, even in the last few weeks before the weekend, once we know

that the weekend is running but the Secretariat have been on tenterhooks on 2 or 3 occasions lately.

Are you thinking and praying about someone that you think would benefit from Cursillo?

Does your Group Reunion regularly pray for possible participants?

Have you encouraged someone to complete the application form?

I would love to receive applications for the next weekend soon. I understand that many individuals don't like to commit themselves but others have to plan well ahead, to book the time away, so it's certainly not too early to sign up for next year. The staff and 4<sup>th</sup> day community have to dedicate themselves in time and preparation and we should be active in our planning and invitations to possible participants so as to ensure that all that preparation proves fruitful.

Cursillo is not all about the weekend, it is the community support of Cursillo through group reunion in prayer and fellowship that is the key to the living witness to Christ for so many. Is there someone that you know who would benefit from that same support in their Christian life? Can we all help the Secretariat by bringing the applicants forward early?

Plans are already underway for the next 3 weekends:

29 April – 2 May 2010                      21 Oct – 24 Oct 2010

19 May - 22 May 2011

Forms are available from me [weekend@chestercursillo.org](mailto:weekend@chestercursillo.org) or our Resources Officer, Jane Knight [Janeknight2001@aol.com](mailto:Janeknight2001@aol.com).

Beth Roberts, ULTREYA!

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### **A WEEKEND AT FOXHILL TO REFLECT AND RECHARGE YOUR CURSILLO BATTERIES!**

**23 - 25 July 2010**

In response to a number of comments and requests a weekend based on the *Day of Deeper Understanding* will be held at Foxhill Retreat and Conference Centre, Frodsham next year. The programme will be such that, as well as booking for the full weekend (Friday evening meal to Sunday lunch), people will be able to book for just the Saturday.

The cost of the full weekend will be around £125 - £130. The cost will be £25 (morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea) for the Saturday alone with an additional £10 if you wish to stay for dinner as well. Residential places are limited so early booking is essential.

### **A NEW BANNER FOR CHESTER CURSILLO**

Progress on a new banner is steady. At the last secretariat meeting on 3 October it was agreed that costs should be sought for a design based on a sunburst effect rainbow with a white dove in the centre and the wording encircling the dove. A picture of the basic background will be available at the Diocesan Ultreya at Norley Parish Centre on Saturday, 14 November. It was also agreed that Chester, in capital letters, should have the T extended to form a cross - † and that it should be on the back as well as the front of the banner.

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### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Saturday, 14 November 2009**, from 12.15 pm Diocesan Ultreya in Norley Parish Centre, Kingsley starting with a Bring and Share lunch at 12.30 pm, 1.15 pm the Ultreya and 2.15 pm a Eucharist.

**23 - 25 July 2010**, Day of Deeper Understanding weekend at Foxhill. See opposite page for more details.

**Saturday, 4 September 2010**, Ultreya GB '10 will be hosted by Ripon and Leeds in Ripon. Offers of help from Chester Cursillistas will be most welcome. Let's make a good show with our new banner!

**April 2013**, our Silver Anniversary!! Thanksgiving celebrations will be held during the year.

<b>Staff Availability - Autumn 2010 Weekend, 21 - 24 October</b>	
I am available and willing to staff on the above dates at Wistaston Hall, Crewe	
Name:	Tel No:
Please return to the Weekend Co-ordinator at the address overleaf	

<b>Staff Availability - Spring 2011 Weekend, 19 May - 22 May</b>	
I am available and willing to staff on the above dates at Wistaston Hall, Crewe	
Name:	Tel No:
Please return to the Weekend Co-ordinator at the address overleaf	