

Columbus Cum Christo

Quiri Quiri

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Ultreya

Every Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
WWJD
Wednesdays With Jesus Downtown

Dates & Rectors of Future Weekends

Men's 156th: October 9-12, 2014

Rector: Ed Price

Women's 151st: Nov 13-16, 2014

Rector: Colleen Barta

Men's 157th: March 12-15, 2015

Rector: Jack Frost

Women's 152nd: April 16-19, 2015

Rector: Stacey Bergmann

Men's 158th: October 1-4, 2015

Rector: Greg Bergmann

Women's 153rd: Nov 12-15, 2015

Rector: Kathy Hodges

Mission Statement

The mission of Cum Christo is to bring Christians together in an ecumenical environment that renews their relationship with Jesus Christ and motivates them to grow as disciples of Jesus in their churches, their everyday life and other places where God leads them.

Address Changes

Do you need to have your address changed for a Quiri Quiri mailing? Go to www.cumchristo.org and update your information or mail it to the PO Box at the top of this letter.

From the Lay Director

Julie Glowacki W79

Table of Joyful Hope

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As I look back on the events thus far that have celebrated our Cum Christo 50th Anniversary, I feel a deep sense of pride and gratitude: for the 50 years that this movement has been evangelizing our environments and bringing people into a closer relationship with Jesus Christ, for the beautiful Christ-centered Cursillistas who have been such an inspiration and comfort to one another, for our Spiritual Directors who have so generously given of their time and talents, for the dedicated and inspired work of our membership to ensure that this movement continues in its mission, and for our wonderful old Cum Christo building - yes, it certainly has had its problems and repair issues, but it has continued to be a welcoming and loving home for our Weekends, Ultreyas, and other functions.

Our celebratory events this year have been joyful and inspirational, starting with the Opening Mass in January at Holy Cross Church and the meal served in our (very chilly, unheated) Center, and followed by our Day of Reflection and Satellite Ultreyas at All Saints Lutheran Church in Worthington, St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Bexley and St. John Neumann Church in Sunbury. Attendance at all of these events were very strong and we are grateful to all those whose hard work provided us with such wonderful opportunities to gather as a faith-filled community.

We look forward to still more gatherings planned for the upcoming months:

- On August 20th, we will gather at the CC Center for our annual Ultreyafest, where we will enjoy some good grillin' and potluck goodies.

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From the Lay Director (cont'd):

- September 7th is the date for our Spiritual Directors Appreciation Dinner, to be held at St. Elizabeth Church. This is our opportunity to honor and express our gratitude to all those Spiritual Directors who have been so faithful in serving the movement. Bishop Campbell will be in attendance to help us mark this special year and we encourage everyone to attend.
- **“Sponsor a Spiritual Director”**: As an expression of our appreciation, we provide the meal to our Priests, Deacons and their wives, and Protestant Ministers and their spouses without charge. The cost to everyone else is \$26.00 per plate. It has been suggested that perhaps some of us could **“Sponsor a Spiritual Director”** by making an extra contribution to pay for their meal(s). Or, if some of us are unable to attend, we might consider making a donation anyway, to help sponsor these dedicated clergy. If you would like to help sponsor the attendance of our SDs, please make a check out to Cum Christo, and note that it is for clergy sponsorship for the Appreciation Dinner, and send it to our P.O. box office address.
- On October 5th, The Church of the Resurrection in New Albany will host our 50th Anniversary Closing Mass and gathering of the community. Bishop Campbell will be the celebrant, with our Cum Christo Priests concelebrating. Look for more information to come.

I want to express my gratitude to the Cum Christo community for your prayers and support during Cliff's illness, and for the cards, prayers, and Masses offered when he entered his Fifth Day. Your loving kindness is deeply appreciated by me and our family. Also, heartfelt thanks to those who contributed to the Cum Christo memorial fund in Cliff's memory. Currently, I am consulting with the CC leadership to determine a use that will be most beneficial to the CC movement.

And a closing meditation:

I asked for STRENGTH....And God gave me Difficulties to make me strong.

I asked for WISDOM....And God gave me Problems to solve.

I asked for PROSPERITY.....And God gave me a Brain and Brawn to work.

I asked for COURAGE.....And God gave me Danger to overcome.

I asked for LOVE.....And God gave me Troubled People to help.

I asked for FAVORS.....And God gave me Opportunities.

I RECEIVED NOTHING I WANTED.....I RECEIVED EVERYTHING I NEEDED!

De Colores

Spiritual Director

Fr. Michael Reis M39

Table of St. Francis



Dear Cursillo/Cum Christo People:

A new book has come to our aid, “The **Cursillo** Movement in America,” Catholics, Protestants & Fourth-Day Spirituality by Kristy Nabhan-Warren, The University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill. Paperback.

Chapters: Finding Christ and Community in America –The Significance of Catholic and Protestant Cursillos in America; Los Origenes Mallorquines – Eduardo Bonnin Aguilo and the Birth of the Cursillo de Cristiandad Movement; Coming to America - Early History of the U.S. Cursillos de Cristiandad; A Focus on Christian Experience – The Protestant Cursillos (Tres Dias, Walk to Emmaus, Via de Christo) and the National Episcopal Cursillo; Blooming where we’re planted – U.S. Catholics and Protestants Talk about Living Their Cursillo; Teens Encounter Christ – Pioneer Young Adult Weekend Experiences; Feeding Bodies and Souls – Kairos Prison Ministry International; Maverick yet Mainstream – Christ Renews His Parish and the Great Banquet; Cursillo Weekends, Fourth Day Spirituality, and the Future; Cursillo Chronology; Glossary.

Available at Generations Bookstore, Columbus. (*or online at Amazon.com*)

Leaders School

Jerry Abraham M138

Table of Shining Disciples

Every year about this time we on the Leader School Team remind ourselves on the purpose of Cum Christo - **to bring all to Christ and motivate all to persevere, to live an authentic Christian life, and to grow as disciples of Jesus in their churches, their everyday lives and all places God leads them** - and reflect on how successful we have been in carrying out this mission. We strive to measure our results not by our successes but by our obedience to Jesus – to love and serve our community, you, in everything we say and do.

So what does Leader School do? We are challenged in many ways: 1) To remain true to the operating and spiritual guidelines of the Cursillo methods for leadership of weekends and community projects; 2) To prepare you, our Cursillistas, for service in leadership positions and on weekend teams by organizing and holding Weekend Orientation two times a year – in May and November; 3) To guide the weekend rectors so that they may be Christian servant role models for the team and candidates as they prepare for and lead God’s weekends and the challenges and blessings that come with them; and 4) To pray for ways to keep the spirit of Cum Christo growing on our weekends and at our community events.

2014 has been a very special year for Cum Christo because we are celebrating 50 years of bringing men and women to a stronger relationship with Jesus Christ and, in so doing, have ourselves lived an authentic Christian life in our community. In the coming year, we in Leader School will be praying and learning and completing actions that we hope will give glory to God and grow His loving family called Cum Christo.

Pre-Cum Christo

Phil Roblee M110

Table of Spiritual Calling

The mission of Pre-Cum Christo is to make known and share the existence and mission of Cum Christo, both with potential Christian leaders and Christian churches within our community. Further, Pre-Cum Christo seeks to identify environments from which potential leaders may be selected; environments such as universities, churches, the professions, commercial organizations, political institutions and other environments encountered in our everyday living.

Basically, Pre-Cum Christo is responsible for getting the word to potential sponsors and candidates and overseeing the application process to ensure candidates meet the qualifications for attending a weekend. The former is accomplished by building a broad base of church contacts and communicating with those contacts to encourage participation.

In my short time as head of Pre-Cum Christo I have been blessed by those who have stepped forward to become church contacts in churches where we had no one in that role. I encourage any of you to email me at philroblee@gmail.com if you are interested in being the Cum Christo Contact for your church, or assisting the existing Cum Christo Contact(s) for your church.

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Weekend Section

Susan Willeke W106

Table of The Apple of His Eye

As the Cum Christo Weekend Representative, I have the great privilege to work with Rectors and be involved in many “behind the scenes” activities in making a weekend happen. This includes overseeing Rector Discernment, scheduling upcoming weekends, assisting Rectors in team selection processes, assisting with Rectors School and lots of weekend details (scheduling the bus, scheduling Holy Cross for Stations of the Cross and Reconciliation services, working with the Closing Church, etc.). What a joy it is to see it all come together in God’s time and to His glory!

In the past year, the Weekend Section worked with Leaders School to re-create the Rectors School agenda. The “new and improved” Rectors School was well-received, but we continue to hone it to ensure that our beloved Rectors are well-prepared and well-prayed-for as they enter into their team formation process.

We invite you to hold all of our Rectors in prayer this Summer. Our Fall weekends will be led by Rector Ed Price and Assistant Rector Frank Smith (Men’s 156) and Rector Colleen Barta and Assistant Rector Sandy Nicholson (Women’s 151). These leadership teams have formed their teams and are eager to begin building their community to bless the Babe Chicks God will send them. Please pray for them in this important work and please pray about those the Lord is calling you to sponsor.

Our 2015 Weekend Leadership teams are discerned and will attend Rectors School in August. Please pray for them!

- Jack Frost and Phil Turner (Men’s 157, Spring 2015)
- Stacey Bergmann and Hope Boring (Women’s 152, Spring 2015)
- Greg Bergmann and Brian Maloney (Men’s 158, Fall 2015)
- Kathy Hodges and Kathy Lutter (Women’s 153, Fall 2015)

Finally, the Rector Discernment team will meet in July to prayerfully discern the 2016 Rectors. We ask for your prayers in this holy endeavor, that the Holy Spirit will be present and reveal the Lord’s will for this beloved movement.

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Service Section

Ann Finn, Service Associate W126

Table of Rainbow's Promises

According to the By Laws approved May 8, 2012, the Service Section reads: "The Service Section Leader shall see to the maintenance and upkeep of the building and its contents and make sure that supplies are on hand for the Weekends. There shall be four functions within the Service Section: maintaining the building, scheduling and calendar, building operations, kitchen operations and supply inventory. The specific duties of each of these areas are outlined in the Cum Christo Guidelines."

The first half of this year brought all of us a lot of challenges and hopefully, the second half will be smoother for this "old building" that we all LOVE so dearly, which is in constant need of cleaning, up-keep and repair. As of this writing, we are in the preparation stages for carpet installation in the second floor Lounge and ceiling repair on the first, second and third floors; a new medium capacity refrigerator has replaced the "old" one in the Kitchen as well as updated labeling of cupboards/drawers in the Kitchen, first aid kits and supplies are now available on all three floors. We are continually making updates and improvements to enhance the beauty, the operations, and to make the facility more user friendly. Since we all know that Cum Christo is 100% voluntary, meaning no persons are paid for their services, it is up to us as a community to maintain the building. What this means is that if you ever come down to the Center and you see something that needs attended to, try to get it accomplished. This can be done by either referring the problem to someone or addressing the matter yourself. After you make your weekend you have free movement of our building so if we need paper towels, toilet paper, a light bulb burned out, a dirty floor, go to the palanca or pantry rooms or utility closet, where supplies are kept, and try to fix the problem or report it to someone for repairing. Sonny Beem, Service Section Leader, and I are always appreciative of any assistance you can give and we are available to answer any questions you may have concerning a building or service related matter.

We all love this "old building" and the great memories we have of it so let us all help maintain our lovely CC Center. Finally, I simply ask all of you for your support and prayers while we tend to the business of taking care of our Cum Christo home. Please help us take care of this last little piece of HOLY GROUND! As Sonny often says, **"ASK NOT WHAT CUM CHRISTO CAN DO FOR YOU BUT RATHER WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR CUM CHRISTO."**

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Communications Section

Ann Finn W126

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According to the By Laws approved May 8, 2012, the Communications Section reads: "The Communications Section shall be responsible for the dissemination of information to the Cum Christo community and the maintenance and updating of the Cum Christo data base. While the published Cum Christo Newsletter, the Quiri Quiri, and the Cum Christo website, www.cumchristo.org remain the primary modes of communication to the larger Cum Christo community, various forms of communication such as pamphlets, booklets, xerox copies, etc., shall be used. The specific duties of this section are outlined in the Cum Christo Guidelines."

As part of the Communications Section, I am the Editor for the Newsletter, the Quiri Quiri. Articles are prepared by the Secretariat Team consisting of the Lay Director(s), Section Leaders and other designees. This information is forwarded to the Lay Director(s) for preview and then forwarded to the Editor, for incorporation into the Newsletter template. After the Lay Director(s) have given their final approval, I forward the Newsletter, in .pdf format, to the Cum Christo Web Servant and our printing company for dissemination (i.e., uploaded to Cum Christo website, email to community and printing/ mailing).

Communications Section (cont'd):

Both the emailed and printed mailed Quiri Quiri are valuable sources of information from our leadership. The Quiri Quiri is part of Cum Christo's continuing effort to keep its members well-informed and up-to-date with what's happening in our movement. If you have internet access, get into the habit of visiting the Cum Christo website frequently. The Quiri Quiri and www.cumchristo.org will remain partners as your informational resources for years to come.

Take time to check out the monthly calendar and the upcoming events, the Witness Speakers & Spiritual Directors at upcoming Ultreyas, read the By-Laws or Guidelines, update your contact information, sign up for various events, or glance at the on-line Cum Christo booklets regarding Sponsors, sponsoring a candidate or getting your church/parish more involved in the Cum Christo community. How about reading past issues of the Quiri Quiri? Some Quiri Quiri issues and articles I found interesting were in the July 2004, August 2006 and July 2009 issues — the *inspirational*, *spiritual* and *psychological* articles by Joe DiCesare and Cliff & Julie Glowacki.

Remember to keep us in your prayers!

Music Section

Brian Maloney M121

Table of Obedient Servants

Music is an integral part of the weekend. Indeed it is a major part of our lives in general. Music is a gift that ties emotion and communication into a unique expression of our humanity. The lists of emotions that music facilitates are as endless as our imaginations. It can evoke joy, gladness, sadness, remembrance, excitement, urgency, and oftentimes, comfort. Cum Christo musicians are blessed when they get to bring music to a weekend. But they also bring that element to weekly Ultreya, and by extension, other special events. And a special gift that they offer the community is called the "Fifth Day" or "De Colores" service. In tribute to a Cursillista that has passed into their 5th day, a service may be requested by loved ones, oftentimes by a member of their group. Usually, the deceased will have expressed an interest in having the service presented to the community. Typically, this service is part of a wake, often the night before a funeral. It takes the form of a basic prayer service, and adds elements of music, scripture, and community reflection. This gives a time to celebrate the life of the deceased, and to contemplate their new life with Christ! While grief is inevitable, as Christians, we are called on to offer comfort to those in mourning. The De Colores service does just that! Since the service is open to all; friends, acquaintances, and family members that have not made a weekend will be present along with many Cursillistas. This is a powerful way to demonstrate our faith, hope, and especially our joy in Christ. But most importantly, it brings comfort to each other. If you would like to discuss this or have questions about the service, talk to any of the musicians that you see at Ultreya. If they can't answer your questions they can refer you to me.

Treasurer Section

Cheryl Brown W124

Table of Abundance of Joy

What does our 501(c)(3) status really mean to Cum Christo? It means in very simple terms that we have applied for and been granted tax exempt status under the internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3). With this comes the responsibility to our Board of Trustees to ensure that our organization maintains its tax-exempt status and meets its ongoing compliance responsibilities.

As a public charity we are prohibited from allowing more than an insubstantial accrual of private benefit to individuals or organizations. This restriction is to ensure that as a tax-exempt organization the organization serves a public interest, not a private one. No part of the organization's net earnings may inure to the benefit of an insider (member). Any amount of inurement may be grounds for loss of tax exempt status. Public charities are absolutely prohibited from directly or indirectly participating in, or intervening in, any political campaign, issue advocacy, or lobbying.

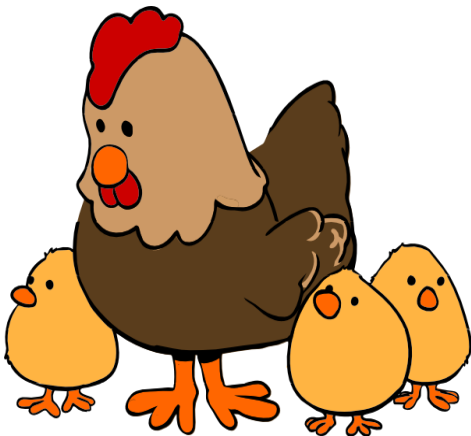
Contributions are deductible only to the extent that they are gifts and no consideration is received in return.

Keeping our tax exempt status out of jeopardy is a full time job for all of us. As a reminder, if you are buying things on behalf of Cum Christo and not asking reimbursement for the expense, it is still important to make the Treasurer aware of the expense. Cum Christo needs to know what our "true" expenses are, even if covered by donations. So if you cover an expense and do not wish to be reimbursed --- please email the treasurer at cherylbrown547@gmail.com so that we have a record of the expense for future budgeting. Or, you can leave a note in the Treasurer's "mail" tray in the Palanca Room near the Team Room and I will pick it up the next time I am at the Center. A copy of the receipt is helpful for our future planning. Please include a name and address to which I can acknowledge your donation so that you have the proper IRS documentation for your tax records too.

If you need to be reimbursed for an expense, please forward your receipt as well as name and address to: Cheryl Brown, 248 St. Antoine Street, Worthington, OH 43085, or email the same information to cherylbrown547@gmail.com.

An additional point: Any expense greater than \$25.00 is to be approved by the Lay Director and Treasurer before the actual expenditure. (Otherwise, we could risk "nickel-and-diming" ourselves into the poorhouse!!)

Blessings to all for a safe and happy summer,
Cheryl A. Brown, Treasurer



Welcome to the Babe Chicks of the
Women's 150th

Mary Anderson, Sandy Baker, Jill Beck, Susan Blower,
Kristin DeMain, Beth Fischer, Debbie Fox, Karla Hall,
Maribeth Hernan, Maureen Howard, Sue Kestner,
Diane LeMay, Sharon Richards, Liz Riendeau,
Susan Rizek, Deanna Stevenson, Lou Ann Workman

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We lift our prayers in Thanksgiving

For new beginnings - For answered prayers - For health and wellness - For family and friends
For the blessing of close moments - For the freedom to worship as we choose –
For opportunities to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

We Lift UP

A prayer for peace in our world - All those in positions of leadership
Those who have died and their loved ones,
Those suffering from illness or accidents - Those in the military, and their families –
The unemployed and under-employed - Those with no-one to pray for them
The unborn - Our children
Those discerning a religious life - For our priests, pastors and all religious.