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Columbus Cum Christo

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SUMMER EDITION, 2011

Ultreya

Every Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

Dates & Rectors of Future Weekends

Men's 152: Oct. 13-16, 2010
Rector: Cliff Glowacki

Women's 145: Nov. 10-13, 2011
Rector: Mo Meuse

Men's 153: March 22-25, 2012
Rector: Tom Dlusky

Women's 146: April 26-29, 2012
Rector: Tami Ritter

Men's 154: October 18-21, 2012
Rector: Mike Agriesti

Women's 147: November 8-11, 2012
Rector: Katy Kram

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? Changes may be emailed to Yvette Pederson at brityvette@yahoo.com

From the Lay Directors

Elaine Beem, W80, Karl "Sonny" Beem, M112

You may have noticed that you have not received a letter from us concerning this year's Sustaining Fund Drive. We are changing the timing of the letter from the spring to later in the year. So prayerfully ponder what you are able to give and watch your mailboxes for this mailing which should arrive sometime in the fall.

With the Sustaining Fund Drive letter, we also plan to send an information update form. Our data base sorely needs to be updated and corrected. We have many, many incorrect addresses and phone numbers. In some cases, rectors were unable to ask someone to be on a team because he/she could not be contacted. In other cases, some information is missing regarding weekends worked and talks given. So please anticipate this mailing as well and be prepared to help us clean up our data base. The information we need is:

- Name
- Spouse's name
- Address
- Phone numbers
- Parish/Church
- Religious Denomination (Catholic/Protestant)
- Email address
- What Weekend did you make?
- Have you attended Leader School? When, if known
- Weekends worked (Weekend numbers/year)
- Roles served/talks given
- Do you play an instrument?
- Occupation/special skills

Of course, you do not need to wait until you get the mailing to update your info. You may send updates to us at teambeem@gmail.com or by old fashioned mail: 1215 Smallwood Drive, Columbus, OH, 43235.

Also, if you know of anyone who has moved and may not be getting our mailings or the Quiri, please pass this information on to them or let us know. We pray that you are having a wonderful and blessed summer, and please pray about sponsoring someone for the fall weekends.

God bless you,
Elaine and Sonny Beem

Leaders School

Bob Franz, M36

Events

Weekend Orientation was held May 6-7 at the Cum Christo Center. Those completing it were Tina Brown, Natasha Decker, Mary Kilkenny, Carolyn Peugh, Rev. Kerry Reed, and Tom Yatsko. These individuals are now eligible to be team members and leaders in Cum Christo.

Rector school will be held August 27, Sat. 8:00-2:30. Rectors for fall 2011 and spring 2012 will be attending.

We are in the process of preparing a retreat for Leaders of Cum Christo for fall 2011. Leaders School Committee on Planning and Study will work with the Permanent Ultreya Team to prepare and carry out the retreat. The Leaders School Committee will develop the program and speaker(s) and the PUT will run the retreat.

Weekends

Future Cum Christo Weekends will be scheduled to avoid fall and spring time changes.

We are considering providing electronic Manuals for Rectors.

Our Lay Directors are revising the Cum Christo Weekend closing statements to emphasize that no videos or pictures are to be taken during the closing in order to preserve the candidates' confidentiality.

We are also looking at revising candidate and team seating arrangements at closings.

We are considering conducting a post-weekend survey to discern whether the Weekend experience matched the candidates' expectations and whether sponsors prepared them well.

We are asking the community to no longer send in feathers, sequins, glitter, etc. for weekend posters. They seem to create more of a mess than add value to a poster.

Sponsorship

We are looking into sponsor education and responsibilities as well as in-depth questions regarding candidate emotional states, candidate readiness to make a Weekend, and candidate recent life changes, etc. to ensure a wholesome weekend for all candidates.

We ask that all sponsors thoroughly check their candidate's application form before sending it in, to be sure that **every item is completed** and that the application is signed. We have been receiving incomplete applications which cannot be accepted.

The sponsorship of more Protestants for Cum Christo Weekends has come before Leaders School on several occasions. We would like to put out a plea to Protestant Ministers and Protestant Cursillistas to sponsor more Protestants. We all know the spiritual graces of the Cum Christo Weekend

Back in 2006, we put into effect a trial period for the LRPR # 7 suggestion that wives be able to make the Weekend before their husbands. A committee of Leaders School has been reviewing data from previous Weekends on the effects of this move. We do not have enough data at this time to support any definite conclusions but the trend seems to indicate that about fifty-percent of the husbands do not make the Weekend after their wives and vice-versa. The committee is studying the process of interviewing the husband and wife together and have them complete their applications together for mutual support. More information on this item will be made known when the committee completes its work.

As a result of the research on married couples Leaders School recognized the need to review our definition of mainline Protestant churches since we are now receiving applications from candidates from unknown denominations. The Committee on LRPT #7 will be meeting with the Spiritual Director Team to clarify this item.

PALANCA

Palanca as defined in the Cum Christo By-Laws:

Palanca, the offering of intercessory prayer and sacrifice by one member of the community for another, is the force that spiritually unites the candidates with the larger Cum Christo Community. This prayer and sacrifice is the backbone of a life in grace and serves as a continuous lever, uniting mankind with God and each other. It tells the candidates that they are not making the journey alone. Palanca is the staying power that holds Cum Christo together; it keeps all on track and holds the community in focus. Palanca is a specific sacrificial act or prayer freely given. It is a precise action of love that involves the giving up of self for the benefit of a fellow Christian. Letters, notes, candy, flowers, cookies and banners are not viewed as Palanca. The important point of Palanca is what is behind the gifts - the specific acts of individual prayer or sacrifice that are connected with the gift.

There are any number of occasions when Palanca is highlighted as an important part of Cum Christo activities:

- Palanca letters from the Lay Directors, Leaders School, and Secretariat are presented to the Rector and team at a weekend team commissioning service, held Thursday afternoon of a weekend.
- Palanca letters denoting prayer and sacrifice by the community are read at Ultreyas.
- Palanca is given to the team and candidates on the weekends - both general palanca and personal palanca.
- And, of course, Palanca in the form of ongoing prayers for the entire Cum Christo Community is not only very desirable, but also very necessary to the continued success of the movement.

A few examples of what is or is not Palanca:

- Pins/buttons for a name badge. These represent or signify real Palanca *IF* they are given with an accompanying message of prayer or sacrifice; otherwise, they are just nice gifts.
- Goodies, snacks, little gift items given by members of the Community on a weekend - Usually a note describing the prayer or sacrifice accompanies the gift/snack.
- Banners or posters - again, if they do not promise prayer or sacrifice, they are not true Palanca.
- Letters - if they promise prayer or sacrifice are true Palanca.

ULTREYAFEST 2011

The annual picnic at the Cum Christo Center!
Come join the fun and bring your family and friends!

Wednesday, August 17th
6:30pm - 9:00

We'll grill fish, hot dogs & brats
Please bring a hot covered dish, salad, pasta, fruit
or dessert to share and we'll provide the rest!

Tables and chairs will be set up in the parking lot for dining.

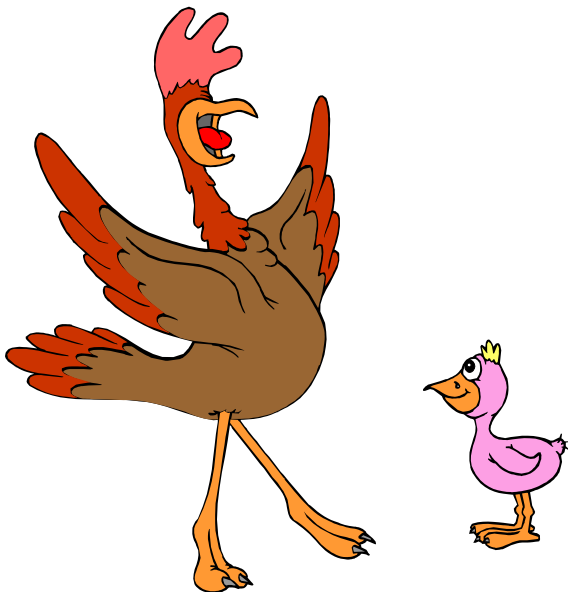
Last name A-P: please bring a hot covered dish,
salad, pasta or fruit platter

Last name R-Z: please bring dessert

Volunteers needed for set-up at 4:30pm
Food preparation at 5:30 Dinner served at 6:30
Clean up, dish-washing at 7:00 thru 8:30pm

*We can't do these special events without "helping hands"!
Call Sue Shetler at 614- 771-6830 or Jenny Held at 614-777-5580
to volunteer. Leave a message. Thank you for offering to help.*

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Welcome to the Babe Chicks of
the Women's 144th

Doris Anyadoh, Janet Arnold, Mary Burdic,
Maryan Debrosse, Stephanie DiDonato,
Ronna Gibson, Suzanne Hallam,
Barbara Hegler, Jacinta Hooker,
Janice Huffman, Rozanne Landers,
Nancy Long, Pricille Marko, Brenda Martin,
Christina McGilton, Kathy Meurell,
Kamila Nobis, Clestina Ogbuehi, Kate Ondra,
Bernadine Price, Patricia Raynak,
Joyce Scott, Suzana Silva,
Angela Snellenbarger, Colleen Thesing,
Bonnie Welty, Celia Wojcik, Lisa Workman

Please remember in your prayers:

All who have died, some alone, some with friends and family, some in pain, some in complete peace. May they all feel the peace and love of God.

All who are sick, their needs and illnesses are many. Wrap your loving arms around each of them and their caregivers. Give them peace and healing.

For all of our military men and women serving at home or far away. Guard them with your legions of angels. Protect their families, giving them the courage they need to face each day.

For the unborn, for women who are pregnant and have no idea how to deal with a new life. Give them courage, guide them to those who will help them.

For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. For ministers in all denominations, let them feel the strength of the Holy Spirit.

For couples struggling with their commitment to each other.

For all teachers and coaches as we approach a new school year. Give them the wisdom to guide our young people.

For the unemployed and the under-employed. Help them to keep their faith in your divine plan.

For all those who have no one to pray for them. Allow them to feel the peace and love of your presence.

PANHANDLERS

Daffine Papaly, W129

If you are approached by a panhandler Please DON'T GIVE MONEY!

Please help us deal with a problem that seems to get worse in warm weather.

Here is a little food for thought, when we give money are we helping or enabling?

I took this situation to the scriptures, Mathew 25: 35-40. **“When I was hungry you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.”** Look around the people here at Cum Christo, we are doing what the scripture asks of us. Did you notice the verse did not say “give money”?

Many works of action are being done by cursillistas. I have seen food pass through the door to someone hungry. I have seen an umbrella given away on a rainy day, seen someone offer her sweater to someone standing outside in the cold. These are good and safe ways to help.

PLEASE DO NOT GIVE MONEY. This just brings more folks to the parking lot asking for money. It feels unsafe. Recently one of our new babe chicks arrived early, before the door was open, and she was approached while sitting in her car waiting. That same evening I was approached going to my car, it scared me.

Cum Christo leadership has asked us to not give money. **PLEASE DO NOT GIVE MONEY**