



The Prism

“Let your life be a Gospel to all”

A Message from the Spiritual Directors

Our greatest call as Christians is to share Christ with others. On every weekend, the Holy Spirit is present. The Holy Spirit speaks through the team and the whole weekend to help the candidates have an encounter with Christ. That is what Cursillo is all about. It would seem to me, that after having such a powerful experience of the Lord, we would want to share it with others. Unfortunately, that is not what always happens. When I made my weekend, I couldn't wait to tell others about it and to have them share the experience. I have for over 30 years now, sponsored many men and women, single and married, ordained and laypersons for the weekend. I would be selfish if I did not encourage others to experience Christ in the special way I did on my weekend. We really shouldn't then have trouble getting candidates on a weekend. Shouldn't every new Cursillista send a replacement for the next weekend? Think about it. Have you really made an effort to share the experience with others? And if not, why not? Our movement can only grow with the support of the community. We all have to do our part to sponsor candidates for the upcoming weekends. May Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Paul, our patron saints, help us all to seek out candidates so that many others may share this wonderful encounter with our Lord.

Fr. Joe



Authentic Cursillo is the Fellowship of Friendship

As many of you know, we had a visit from Cef Aguillon from the national office of Cursillo. He was here to speak to us of issues from the perspective of the national scene but mostly to encourage us to focus our efforts toward an authentic Cursillo.

I see this in the light of history and in particular the great event of our times - the second Vatican Council. It was understood by the Pope and the bishops that we needed to be a church directed toward mission and evangelization; and so, toward that end they knew it was time for the church to return to liturgy of its earlier days and put it in the vernacular – the language of the people.

The Tridentine Mass is indeed a Mass of great beauty and solemnity, but the council Fathers saw the need to return to the roots of Christianity for the sake of reaching out. There were a great many accretions (additions) to the liturgy over time and now it was time for something simpler to direct ourselves outward to the evangelization of peoples and nations.

This is similar to the movement locally (and in some other parts of the country) to return to the authentic Cursillo. Over time, not for any reason of malice or ill will, there were additions to the Cursillo weekend and perhaps even Ultreya gatherings. Cef came to help us

get back to the roots of Cursillo. It seems that we are not alone in this endeavor. He has seen this before, so he wanted to thank us for our efforts. He knows it is difficult to make such changes.

He often used the image of a Christmas tree that is over-packed with items, obscuring the actual tree. Sometimes we put too much on and lose the beauty that is there by nature. This is helpful in that people don't put ornaments on the tree to make it ugly, but too many things can do just that.

One of the lasting things that I took from the night was how he spoke about the need for friendship to be at the center. We know of the motto, “Make a friend, be a friend and bring a friend to Christ.” He spoke of this as getting somewhat distorted in that we make it into, “Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to a Cursillo weekend,” and then we drop it.

We need to really understand sponsorship better. From start to finish sponsorship is the at the heart of Cursillo. This is because sponsorship is about friendship and friendship is meant to be at the heart of Cursillo, and this is because friendship is at the heart of the Christian faith. “They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers” (Acts 2:42).

The communal life is what the apostles lived with Jesus and it was that same life that the followers of Christ lived with each other shortly after Jesus' departure from this world. This communal life is none other than friendship – friendship with the Lord and with his followers. “This is my commandment: love one another as I love you” (John 15:12).

The point that Cef wanted to drive home is that all of Christian life is centered in this reality, and Cursillistas are especially called to bring souls to Christ by means of fellowship which is true friendship. This means living palanca not by letter writing but by giving the sacrifice of one's time to be with others as friends.

Yes, we want people to make a Cursillo weekend, but we need to establish friendship with them for that to really happen effectively – we can do this by having a heartfelt phone conversation, going out for coffee every so often, even bringing them to Ultreya, and ultimately to the Cursillo weekend. Then after the weekend our sponsorship must continue in the same spirit. We must make time for friendship with Jesus in prayer, and make time for others. When we do this, the Cursillo weekend will no longer be the center of the Rochester Cursillo movement, it will be one of many means in which people are brought to Christ. Let us be diligent friends of Jesus so that we can win more friends for him.

Fr. Mickey



From The Lay Director

DE COLORES! As I begin my new journey as your Lay Director, I am humbled and amazed at the honor that has been given me. I believe God has a great sense of humor putting me into this position but as I recently told a gathering of Cursillistas at Leaders School, "We all must be fools for Christ" as we are reminded in Scripture. So let me be one of His biggest fools!

I cannot do this job by myself. It is next to impossible. I rely on the Holy Spirit as well as our wonderful Secretariat, our very capable Leaders School and dedicated Ultreya Coordinators. It is all of us together that provide the leadership needed to do God's will for our movement. I also rely on all of you, from our newest Babe Chicks to our most veteran Cursillistas. We are all in this together!

The last year and a half has seen phenomenal growth in our movement. You have heard about our return to a more authentic Cursillo and your support of this has been outstanding. We will continue to make these changes after much prayer, palanca, and consultation with each other.

Our National Headquarters made a visit to our Diocesan Movement in April and I can tell you that Cef Aguillon, the National Coordinator, was very impressed and supportive of what we have done. He made a few suggestions which School of Leaders and Secretariat will look at but we have been assured that we, as a Diocesan movement, are on the right track.

Please save the weekend of September 23, 24, and 25. We will be conducting a Cursillo Leaders Workshop at Our Lady of Peace in Geneva. ALL Cursillistas are invited because we are ALL Leaders. The workshop will be put on by our Region III representatives and it will be very informative.

This year we are fortunate to be conducting three Weekends. Marilyn LeChase was Rectora for Womens #80 and Joe DiBattisto is Rector for Mens #86 at the end of July. Mary Liz Bartell is Rectora for Womens #81. We are making a great effort to work with the Babe Chicks as they come off the weekends and get them into small groups and Ultreyas. Speaking of Ultreyas, I would like to welcome the Elmira Ultreya. Rose Carnegie has graciously volunteered to be the coordinator. They have had a couple of meetings now and are picking up old and new members. Thanks, Rose. I also would like to thank all of the Ultreya Coordinators. They work quietly behind the scenes to ensure the opportunities are there for Cursillistas to share their lives together.

Finally I would like to thank Margi Lash, our outgoing Lay Leader. I have big shoes to fill. Margi has been a wonderful mentor for me and has taught me so much. She oversaw our return to a more authentic Cursillo and she graciously handled questions and complaints. Our Movement was so blessed to have her as our Leader. I owe a lot to her and wish her well. Margi will continue to be our Regional and National Representative. Thank you, Margi!

I ask you to pray for me and also our movement. I can assure you that my main focus is to be sure our movement provides encounters with Christ for all people. I ask you also to please contact me about any questions you may have. Please introduce yourselves to me. I do not know everyone and would like to meet you. Together we will bring to our God a true harvest of souls! ULTREYA!

Bill Grimmer



From Our Outgoing Lay Director

Thank you.

I give thanks to God, for an incredible Secretariat and School of Leaders, and all of my brothers and sisters in Christ in Cursillo for the opportunity to have served you as Lay Director these past few years. Change is not easy and we have struggled to meet the needs of our Diocesan Movement while following the guidelines of the National Cursillo.

Our Diocese is held in high esteem on a regional and national basis for its cooperation and dedication to the Cursillo Movement. And that is a result of the words of a very wise spiritual director who counseled us to "pray and trust in the Holy Spirit." Over and over again, these words have become a mantra and our obedience has been realized in a shower of graces from Heaven and a rich harvest of fruits and souls.

Nowhere was this more evident than the last Cursillo. A few days before the weekend, our chairperson, Mike, ended up in the hospital with a broken leg and punctured lung. A call to the community went out and Lew, Tom and Pete stepped up to the plate. Barb devoted hours of work on the computer in spite of being ill and Sharon and Lynn pitched in to help. The community was everywhere and what seemed at first to be an impossibility, became a reality...a beautiful witness to prayer and trust.

Peace was the hallmark of the weekend. It was verbalized by the team, the candidates, "kitchen krewe" and site teams. It was also witnessed by the Retreat House Staff and new Babe Chicks. This spirit of cooperation, love of God and others, and dedication to the Cursillo Movement will be a memory I will take with me as I leave my position. I know the sacrifice that was offered by the incredible group of Cursillistas that made Women's #80 happen. I thank the Holy Spirit for giving us the many gifts that have made all our weekends happen.

I know Bill Grimmer, your new Lay Director, joins me in welcoming you to come and join us in all aspects of Cursillo... School of Leaders, Secretariat, workshops, meetings and weekends. Don't wait for an invitation. We are incomplete without you and your talents. Just come and join us. We always need help and we want our Movement to be an open door for all Cursillistas. So, come, pitch in, be our companions on the journey. The pay isn't so good, but the rewards are eternal!

Margi Lash – Region III Representative

Do you like to work in the background? Well, there's plenty you can do in Cursillo. Worker bees are needed to help all weekends at various tasks. The Site Team Coordinator would love to hear from you when you call to offer him your services. A little or a lot of your time will be so appreciated. Please call Tom Smith at: 585-469-5281 or email him at: tom021870@yahoo.com

Report from Post Cursillo

What a busy schedule we have had! I would like to welcome the Babe Chicks from Women's # 80 from this past March/April with Marilyn LeChase as Rectora. There are many of the Babe Chicks who are already grouping and going to Ultreya. Joe DiBattisto is the Rector for our next Men's #86 Weekend at the end of July. Please pray for candidates. And please welcome them also as they start their 4th day!

I would like to welcome our newest Ultreya Center in Elmira. Rose Carnegie is the Ultreya Coordinator and has been busy getting the group up and running again. They have met a few times and are growing rapidly. Please pray for them as they begin to bloom in the Southern Tier. We are hoping to soon have Ultreya Centers in Owego, Watkins Glen and Penn Yan. If you are interested in starting up an Ultreya, please contact me and I will help make this possible. Many thanks to all our Ultreya Coordinators. They do so much and are the backbone of the movement!

On September 23, 24, and 25, our Diocesan Cursillo will have a CLW I, a Cursillo Leaders Workshop. I encourage all of you to plan on attending. It is being put on by our Regional Coordinators from the Pittsburgh area and this will take place in Geneva at our LADY OF PEACE Parish Center. There will be more information in a few weeks. We hope to see you all there.

I would like to encourage you all to take part in Leaders School. We all are members because we are all Cursillistas. It is here where decisions are made about the future plans for our Movement. We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month at St. Patrick's in Victor at 7:00 PM. We value your participation.

We are looking at planning more events and workshops for Cursillistas so please check our website and Ultreya Centers for the latest updates. www.rochestercursillo.org

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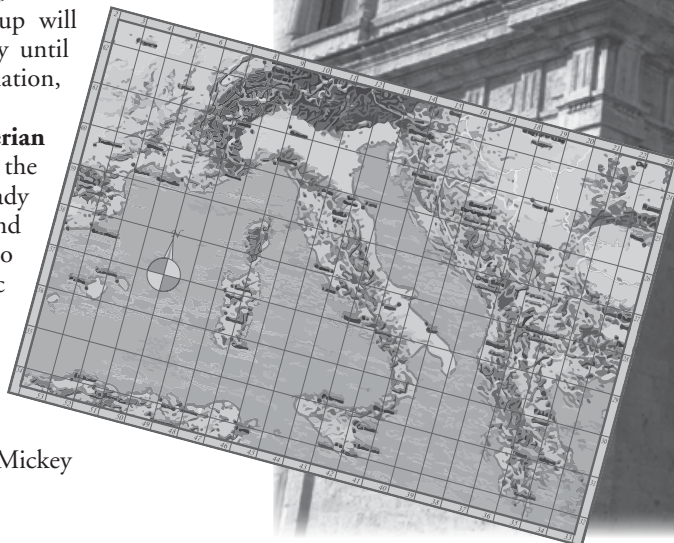
Karen Grimmer



Travels With The Priests

Travel with Fr. Joe Catanise to **Sicily: September 5-13, 2011**, there are three nights in Taormina, three nights in Palermo and one night in Rome. The cost is \$2,899.00 per person, double occupancy. This includes round trip airfare, sightseeing, motor coach transportation, and more. The group will be taking Fr. Joe to Italy where he will stay until December on Sabbatical. For more information, call 672-1516.

If you have never been to the **Iberian Peninsula**, you are in for a treat. Visit the Shrine of Fatima in Portugal where Our Lady appeared in 1917 to three shepherd children and thousands experienced miracles. Then off to Spain to see Avila, the hometown of the mystic and doctor of the church, St. Teresa, and finally the famous medieval pilgrimage site of the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. The pilgrimage is for April 2012. Cost is \$2,699.00 per person, double occupancy. For more information, please contact Father Mickey McGrath at fmcgrath@dor.org.



A CURSILLO WAY TO SAY THANK YOU!

Does Notre Dame Retreat House have a special place in your heart?

Are you looking for a special way to volunteer your time and talent?

Notre Dame Retreat House, which so graciously welcomes us each Cursillo Weekend, is in need of some help vacuuming and making beds between departure and arrival of two really large Retreat groups this late Summer and early Fall.

There are three Sundays: September 18, 25 and October 2.

If you can help (and what fun it would be with a groups of friends!) call Nancy at Notre Dame: 394-5700. They'll love us even more!!



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ULTREYA CENTERS

Listed below are the Ultreya Centers you can visit to help strengthen your faith and come together with other wonderful people all journeying to a stronger relationship with Jesus:

Center	Meeting Info	Contact Info
Bath Area	2nd Wednesday, 7 PM @ Grimmers'	Bill & Karen Grimmer – 607-382-2118
Caledonia Area	1st Saturday, 6 PM, St. Columba Basement	Ann Connelie – 585-538-6937, or Bob Carson – 585-752-0217
Dansville Area	3rd Saturday, 7 PM @ St. Mary's Annex	Amy Keagy – 585-335-8901
Elmira Area	Last Thursday, 7PM @ St. Mary's Church	Rose Carnegie - 607-732-1018
Geneva Area	1st Monday, 7:30 PM @ Our Lady of Peace @ Chapel	Judy Savaria – 607-243-5691
Hilton Area	Last Saturday, 6:15 PM @ St. Leo Parish Center	Sal LeChase – 585-455-3980
Hornell Area	1st Thursday, 7 PM @ St. Ann's School	Mary Liz Bartell – 607-281-1355
Ithaca Area	2nd Thursday, 7:00 PM @ All Saints, Lansing	Dcn. George & Mary Ann Kozak – 607-277-3558
Victor Area	3rd Sunday, 7 PM @ St. Patrick's	Mike Kristan – 585-746-4937
Webster Area	2nd Sunday, 7 PM @ Holy Trinity Church	Bobbi LaVoie – 585-265-4986

COMING SOON!!!

Auburn, Owego, Penn Yan and Watkins Glen. Stay tuned for further details in our next PRISM!



Living Their Fifth Day

SHARLENE FINNIGAN, W#51, at 90 years of age, joins her husband, Jack, in eternity. They are survived by their children, Patricia, William, Jack, Lisa, Mark, 12 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. She rests in God's mercy and peace.

CHRISTINE CANNITO, W#37, survived by her daughter, Mary Jo DiNoto, W#37, has gone home to the Lord to be reunited with her husband, her greatest love.

FR. DON McMCARTHY, M#63, a humble and giving Basilian Father, passed on to his glory, with grace and peace. He has touched many lives and has been touched by many in return. Well done, good and faithful servant.

FR. TOM HOCTOR, M#12, brother of Sr. Marion Hactor, SSJ. He was a Professor of English at St. Andrew's, and a former Chaplain at Rochester Psychiatric Center for 22 years. His sense of humor was legendary, as was his presence and his work at the Psych Center. Certainly he is keeping the angels in stitches.

ART FAGAN, father of Dick, M#63, and his wife, Kathy, M#57, passed into the arms of the Lord, one month shy of his 90th birthday. The angels have certainly sung him a rousing chorus of Happy Birthday.

GEORGE MANNING, M#12, at age 94, loving husband of Joan, devoted father of Diane, Dennis, Leslie, Lynn, Colleen, George, Jr., Nancy, W#59 and her husband Tom, M#65, Kevin, and Brian, with 31 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren. George was in Boy Scouting for 84 years, and owner and leader of the Rhythmairs Orchestra. Oh, the beautiful music coming from heaven now...

WILLIAM WILLIAMS, father of David Williams, M#85, has entered the gates of heaven, welcomed by the angels. He was an extraordinary man, who now lives forever in an extraordinary place.

KATHERINE ANN BEHE, daughter of Deacon Tom M#78 & Sue W#74, sister of Melissa and Andrew, passed into the arms of Our Lord. Her beautiful smile will surely light the heavens.

TODD WILDRICK, son of Shirley Wildrick, W#32, and George, M#37. Todd is among the saints, but dearly missed by those of us left behind. Rest in the peace of the Lord, Todd.

ED WHITE, brother of Mary Kay W#66 and her husband, Bill McGrath M#71, and uncle of Fr. Mickey McGrath M#76, has entered into glory in the presence of the saints.

MARIANNE "JANET" SALONE, mother of Mike Salone, M#86 Team member. As all good mothers, she is sure to be watching over her family from a lofty perch, with the angels and saints.

The PRISM would like to feature Cursillistas and their families who are being recognized or honored by the media as they live their Fourth Day, and those who have joined the Communion of Saints in their Fifth Day.
Please make us aware by sending the information to: bmurphy@dor.org

Welcome To Our New Babe Chicks - Women's #80

Yane Alvarado
Suzanne Bianchi
Lori Bickford
Karen Bunker
Carolina Colmenares
Mary Combs
Lou Anne Conrad
Jan DeMarco
Jean Fitzpatrick
Kathy Garbach
Candy Gilligan
Eli Guedez
Mary Hogan
Kim Kamagate
Gabriele Kovatchev
Missy Kruger

Ursula Laszewski
Sheila Manioci
Mary Beth Milner
Gina Morse
Beth Murnane
Annie Murphy
Paula Perrotte
Ana Peters
Joanne Ponticello
Helen Porter
Sandy Preston
Norma Rappl
Ruth Uschold
Eileen Walsh
Maria Watkins
Mary Wirth
Lorrie Zone

Remember what Fr. Paul said, ladies.... "Come Holy Spirit!"



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Be so kind as to mail this back at your earliest convenience. De Colores!

Betty Murphy
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Rochester Men's Cursillo #86

Joe DiBattisto, Rector

TEAM:	First Name	Last Name	Role	Rollo
	Don	Bradt	Warden	Witness
	Holmes	Carvahal	Table Leader	Witness
	Joe	DiBattisto	Rector	Total Security
	Chuck	Flansburg	Warden	Witness
	Bill	Grimmer	Ass't. Rector	Christian Community in Action
	Larry	Ingham	Table Leader	Witness
	Mike	Kristan	Ass't. Rector	Action
	Bob	LaDuca	Table Leader	Witness
	Sal	LeChase	Back-Up Rector	Fourth Day
	Jose	Rivera	Warden	Layperson in the Church
	Mike	Salone	Table Leader	Study of the Environments
	Jim	Scheuerlein	Warden	Witness
	Paul	Smith	Table Leader	Witness
	Tom	Smith	Head Warden	Piety
	Kevin	Spears	Warden	Ideals

Spiritual Directors

Fr. Mickey	McGrath	Priest	Spiritual Director
Fr. Bob	Ring	Priest	Spiritual Director
Sr. Dolores Ann	Stein	Religious	Spiritual Director
Tim	Sullivan	Deacon	Spiritual Director

Kitchen Coordinators:

Marilyn LeChase and Nancy DiBattisto
Call Marilyn or Nancy if you re interested in working in the kitchen this weekend. See contact below.

Men's #86 Weekend

July 28 to Sunday, July 31, 2011 at:

Notre Dame Retreat House

5151 Foster Road

Canandaigua, NY

For Kitchen Crew:

Contact Marilyn LeChase at 585-368-9672 and Nancy DiBattisto at 585-392-6387.

For Site Team:

Contact Tom Smith 585-469-5281

Assistance is needed during the weekend, as well as for set-up on Thursday, 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM and strike on Sunday, 12:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Thurs.–Sun., Tom: 469-5281 Sat. & Sun. only.

For Palanca:

Please send palanca for receipt prior to July 25 to: Chuck Flansburg, 146 Summer Street, Hornell, NY 14843

Palanca can be delivered on-site Thursday, or Friday. Be sure to indicate both first and last name as well as if you are a sponsor or family.

For Closing Mass Musicians:

Contact Karen Grimmer at 607-382-2184 or kgbg1975@hotmail.com. Music practice will be at 2:45 PM on Sunday in the main chapel.



Accommodations:

Sleeping space is available on-site for the Cursillo Community. A stipend of \$40.00/night or \$150.00/weekend is suggested, but like the candidates, "scholarships are available" if cost would otherwise discourage site/kitchen volunteers. Please let either the site or kitchen coordinators know in advance to hold you a spot!

Directions to Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Road, Canandaigua, NY:

Coming from the North:

(Estimated drive time from Henrietta is 27 minutes)

From Rt. 21 South to Cheshire. Follow signs to Middle Cheshire Road to Foster Road. Turn left on Foster Road. NDRH driveway is on the right.

Coming from the South:

(Estimated drive time from Corning is 1 hour, 15 minutes)

Take Rt. I-390 North and Exit #9 right on Rt. 15 through Cohocton. Turn left at stop-light and proceed to Rt. 21 at North Cohocton; continue north on Rt. 21 through Naples to Cheshire. Turn right at Wells-Curtis Road; left on Johnson Rd. to T intersection, left at Middle Cheshire Rd.; right to Foster Rd.; NDRH is on the right.

Candidate Registration:

Sponsors please bring your candidate with their luggage to the main entrance. Watch for the sign for "CANDIDATE REGISTRATION / LUGGAGE DROP-OFF" area. Registration Entrance will be marked. Move your car promptly so others may use this convenient space. Then proceed to the Sponsor Meeting.

Men's #86 Rector is.... Joe DiBattisto

Joe is married to Nancy, and they have been married for 48 years, with four boys: Stephen, Joseph, Gordon, and John. They are very proud to say they have 13 grandchildren! Joe and Nancy are parishioners at St. Leo Church in Hilton. They attend the West by Northwest Ultreya. Joe's involvements include being a member of the Parish Pastoral Council at St. Leo's. He attends Cursillo Leaders School, and he helps out in the kitchen on Cursillo weekends. Something people might not know about Joe is that he is also a basketball referee, he enjoys hunting, fishing, golf, vacations, and spending time with family and the grandkids. Joe made his Cursillo over 25 years ago. He has been grouping most of those years, and really enjoys his present permanent group. Joe says, "I feel it was an honor to be asked to be the Rector for the upcoming Men's Weekend #86."

Weekend Where & When Information

Any changes see signs in parking lot or www.rochesterkursillo.org

Thursday

1:00 pm Site Team begins unpacking, set-up

6:30-7:00 pm Candidate Registration

7:15 pm Sponsor Meeting in Room #8

Saturday

7-8:00 pm **Holy Hour to be set up by your Ultreya Center as palanca for the candidates.**

Sunday

12:00 pm Site Team begins strike & packing

2:45 pm Music Practice in Main Chapel. Please use the Main Chapel entrance, facing the lake.

3:30-3:45 pm Gather for Closing Mass and announcements in Chapel

4-6:00 pm Candidates enter for Mass followed by Receiving Line in Conference Room

6:00 pm Candidates and Sponsors Departure

Community, if you can stay for an additional hour to help with clean-up, the Site Team would really appreciate the palanca!

9:00 pm Site Team concludes strike and packing

Upcoming Dates: 2011

7/28 - 31 Men's #86

8/27 Cursillo Pot Luck Picnic at Sacred Heart Parish Center in Perkinsville, at 1:00 pm

9/23, 24, 25 Cursillo Leaders Workshop at Our Lady of Peace, Geneva

11/3-6 Women's #81

New address? New email? Know someone who would like to receive the PRISM?

Contact Betty Murphy, Communication Coord.
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Sisters.....Sisters.....

Two of our fellow Cursillistas have reached milestones in their lives. And it's cause to celebrate!!



Sister Diane Branch

Sister Diane Branch, a Sister of St. Joseph, has been a religious for 60 wonderful years. (She must have entered the order at 12!!)

Sr. Diane, a Cursillista from (Women's #2!!!) has been on several Cursillo teams, W5, W6, W7, W9, W11, W13, W20, W22, W29, W64, W73, W75, W78, and W80 weekends. She always brings her sweetness, her grace and her love of music to share with the women on the weekends.

She is the Director of Liturgy at the SSJ Motherhouse. She says, "I learned so much from those I met over these years. They ministered to me as much – if not more than I ministered to them."



Sister Carole Proia, also a Sister of St. Joseph, just celebrated 50 years as a religious. (It must have seemed like yesterday!)

She is also a Cursillista from Women's #14 and has served on W77, W79, W80, M82, and M84 Cursillo Weekends. She brings so much love and joy and fun to any situation!

She is an integral part of Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua, and is the Co-Director of the Sisters of St. Joseph Associates. She says, "Our SSJ charism is reaching out to the dear neighbor and bringing the neighbor to God. I have tried to make this a priority during these wonderful 50 years as a Sister of St. Joseph."



Sister Carole Proia



If you see these wonderful, vibrant ladies, please wish them hearty congratulations and offer your prayers for their continued good health and happiness!

To send them your good wishes, go to their website: www.ssjrochester.org and click on "Find a Sister" or mail them to:

Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester
150 French Road
Rochester, NY 14618-3822

