



CURSILLO 2025 SPONSOR APPLICATION

Speak to God before speaking to man about God.

To be a sponsor is part of your Apostolate, and as such, carries a serious Christian responsibility. Sponsoring a person for Cursillo is bringing your friend to Christ. It assumes, first of all, THAT YOU ARE A FRIEND therefore, you must believe in your heart that Jesus is leading you and your friend is ready. Please consider the important items noted below.

Please print and complete all sections.

Today's Date _____

Name _____ Nickname/Preferred Name _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Date of Birth _____

Preferred Phone (Home | Work | Mobile) _____ E-Mail address _____

Home Parish _____ Location _____

Candidate's Name _____

1. When and where did you make your Cursillo? _____

2. Why are you sponsoring this candidate? _____

3. Are you in a Small Reunion Group or its equivalent? _____ When? _____

How often? _____

4. Do you attend Ultreya? _____ City _____

Other activities in the Community/Parish? _____

5. Do you assume the responsibility of introducing your Candidate into a Small Reunion Group, either your own or another? _____ If another, do you assume the responsibility to follow your Candidate until he/she is well established in the reunion group? _____ Also Ultreyas? _____

6. Do you assume the responsibility of getting your candidate to the Cursillo Weekend? _____

Sending Palanca? _____ Attending the Closing? _____ Getting your Candidate home? _____

7. Have you explained the three day weekend to your Candidate and the Fourth Day follow-up? _____

i.e. Weekly Small Reunion Group and Ultreya or its equivalent? _____

8. Have you discussed with your friend the effects Cursillo may have upon their marital relationship? Is the spouse in agreement with them attending the weekend? _____

9. Is your Candidate's spouse submitting an application now? _____

If not, is he/she planning to submit an application in the future? _____

10. Has your Candidate experienced the death of a loved one, trauma, or severe crisis within the past year? _____

(If yes, please contact the Secretariat before sending in the application, **Michael Neaton, Interim Pre-Cursillo Coordinator**, PO Box 53, Hannawa Falls, NY 13647 Email neatonmichael@yahoo.com or call 315-335-6302

I have read and agree with the instruction sheet and sponsor duties. I understand these commitments I am making to my candidate and the Cursillo movement.

Signed (sponsor) _____ Date _____

Mail or email to: Michael Neaton, Interim Pre-Cursillo Coordinator,

PO Box 53, Hannawa Falls, NY 13647

Email neatonmichael17@gmail.com or call 315-335-6302

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Instruction Sheet (To be retained by the sponsor)

The sponsor is reminded that the suitability of a candidate can only be judged upon the information and recommendation given by the sponsor. It is most important that the sponsor not recommend candidates without serious deliberation and prayer.

When selecting a person for Cursillo, male or female, his/her marital life should be considered. Even though the Cursillo weekend is lived individually, the spiritual life of the couple, both before and after, must be considered. The Cursillo movement holds in highest regard the Sacrament of Marriage, and if participation in a Cursillo by one and not the other individual might have an adverse effect on that Sacrament, then we suggest some other form of individual spiritual renewal.

If the fact that the person is married comes into consideration, we need to determine whether both are eligible and interested in attending the Cursillo weekend. If both agree that only one spouse attending the weekend will not have an adverse effect on their Sacrament of Marriage, then the person who is eligible and interested should be allowed to do so.

In the case where both individuals are eligible and both agree to attend the Cursillo, then both applications should be prepared at the same time and mailed along with the sponsor's commitment to **Michael Neaton, Interim Pre-Cursillo Coordinator, PO Box 53, Hannawa Falls, NY 13647 Email neatonmichael17@gmail.com or call 315-335-6302**

This same consideration should be given to a single person if he or she is engaged to be married.

Because of the important and serious demands on a sponsor, it is strongly suggested that you do not sponsor more than one candidate on any weekend. Remember that the Cursillo is not a corrective device for a person's character, morals, or emotions. It is a method of giving him/her the desire and the tools to bring Christ into his/her own environments and sharing Him with everyone.

DESIRABLE QUALITIES IN A CANDIDATE

1. Be a Catholic who is able to receive the sacraments
2. Be able and willing to influence others in a Christian way.
3. Be emotionally mature and stable.
4. Be free of religious fanaticism.

SPONSOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARD THE CANDIDATE

BEFORE CURSILLO

1. Give the candidate a general idea of what Cursillo is about and what will be expected of a new Cursillista after the weekend regarding his/her environment. **EXPLAIN the FOURTH DAY.**
2. You may invite your candidate to Ultreyas prior to the weekend.
3. Complete the application with your candidate. Return with sponsor's commitment for each application.
4. See that your candidate has transportation to and from the Cursillo Weekend.

DURING CURSILLO

1. Each Sponsor must have Palanca delivered to team no later than Wednesday prior to weekend, or mailed to site by Tuesday. (Remember how you felt when you received your palanca?)
2. Attend the Closing as an expression of extended Cursillo community.
3. Avail yourself to the candidate's family for church, shopping, etc. while candidate is attending the Cursillo as an opportunity for palanca.

AFTER CURSILLO

1. Keep in close contact with your candidate after the Cursillo. Show as much interest and concern for him/her as you did before the Cursillo.
2. Accompany your candidate to Group Reunion and Ultreya regularly, and School of Leaders and Cursillo Days of Renewal.
3. Be able to answer any and all questions the candidate may have regarding the Movement, when answer is unknown, contact School of Leaders (SOL) member.
4. Your personal contact (i.e. your Christian concern, love and friendship) with your candidate should continue even after he or she has joined a permanent Group Reunion.
5. Encourage him/her to persevere in their fourth day.

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