

All Praise and Glory be to God!

The Diocese of Joliet will host the 133rd Women's Cursillo Weekend this Spring; June 8-11, 2023 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL.

I feel truly privileged to have been asked by our Secretariat to undertake the great responsibility of helping to lead this upcoming weekend. The Cursillo Movement has shaped my life and faith as well as the life and faith of my husband, John. One of the greatest joys of our marriage has been to share this incredible gift of the Worldwide Catholic Cursillo Movement with family, friends and parishioners. We have been doing that since we made our Cursillo weekends as a young married couple in 1987.

We have witnessed both individuals and entire church communities COME ALIVE with the Light of Christ post Cursillo Weekend!

Cursillista Sisters of the Joliet Diocese ~ would you please join me in prayer to discern if The Holy Spirit is prompting you to serve on the Women's 133rd?

Meetings will be held at St. Joseph Church in Downers Grove on Tuesday evenings. **The meetings begin the Tuesday of Easter Week, April 11.**

The Secretariat is allowing me to 'pilot' a slightly different formation schedule. **There will be 6 Tuesday evening meetings beginning at 6:45 with a goal of ending at 9:00pm.**

Additionally we will have two "workshop" half-days in which the talks for the weekend will be critiqued. These will be on Sunday's, April 30 and May 21, 12 noon to 5pm.

You are welcome to contact me if further clarification is needed at this time, otherwise "*Pray First, Pray Last and Pray Always*" as I unite myself in prayer with all of you! You can reach me at spiezio.marta@gmail.com or 630-234-0434.

Come out to the first meeting on April 11, for more details and discernment. It will be a joy to reconnect with you and also to welcome new leaders to this life-giving experience of being a Cursillo Team Leader!

Blessed Mother Mary, wrap your mantle of love, truth, peace and goodness around each of us.

St. Paul, Patron of The Cursillo Movement, pray for the conversion of hearts on the Women's 133rd!

Jesus, I put all my trust in you.

Pax Christi,

Marta Spiezio