

**APPLICATION FORM - DIOCESE OF THUNDER BAY 3 DAY CURSILLO
MEN'S or WOMEN'S WEEKEND**

NAME _____ PHONE _____ CELL _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ P.C. _____
EMAIL _____
Name you would like on name tag _____

Are You: Single ___ Married ___ Widowed ___ Divorced ___ Spouse's Name _____
of Children _____
Has or will your spouse be living a Cursillo Week-
end? _____

Your Parish _____ Diocese _____
Occupation _____ Retired _____
Hobbies &/or other interests _____

Name of Your Sponsor _____ Phone _____ Email _____
Address of Sponsor _____ City _____ P.C. _____
Who among your family/friends has lived, or will be living a Cursillo week-
end? _____

Why do you wish to live a Cursillo week-
end? _____

What are your expectations of this week-
end? _____

Any personal information you wish to share (e.g. recent family, faith issues)

Give details of special diet, or care, or allergies etc.

Your Signature _____

Sponsor's Signature

Please return this form to your sponsor or mail to:

Diocese of Thunder Bay Cursillo 664 Red River Road Thunder Bay, ON
P7B 1H8 (Corpus Christi Church Office)

CURSILLO

(Information you may wish to know)

What is Cursillo?

The word Cursillo is a Spanish word that means "short course". It is a short course put on for lay Catholics by other lay Catholics assisted by a Priest and/or Deacon. However, often religious persons such as priests, deacons, sisters, brothers etc will also live a Cursillo weekend.

Is it a retreat?

No, the weekend is a short course in Catholic Christianity. It is not a retreat, but rather the weekend is a series of short talks, sharing, fellowship, and prayer held in a comfortable relaxed, informal setting.

Are Cursillos only held in Canada?

The first Cursillo was held in Majorca, Spain in the early 1940's and has since spread to most countries in the world. Most dioceses in Canada and the United States have Cursillos at least once a year. It may interest you to know that the format for all Cursillos is the same. No matter what country you live your Cursillo in, it is the same format.

Where will the Thunder Bay Cursillo be held?

Candidate will be informed of location.

How long is the actual weekend?

The weekend will begin on Thursday evening, and go until Sunday afternoon. It is advisable that you stay on site for the entire weekend.

What do I have to bring?

Only yourself, comfortable casual clothes, any personal items such as medications, toiletries, pillow, sleeping bag or sheet and blankets. You may want to bring some comfortable walking shoes for break times and free time. You may bring a rosary or one will be supplied.

Is there a cost for the weekend?

Yes, but this is only to cover the costs for lodging and food. All of the leaders who put on the weekend do so, on a volunteer basis and pay their own costs (the same as you) for the weekend. Payment can be made on the Thursday evening of your registration or sent in prior with your application. This will cover the entire cost of the weekend. If you are unable to pay the full amount up front, then please call our Lay Director - Reino Pitkanen (807) 621-4468

PLEASE NOTE ANY SPECIAL FOOD DIETS OR ALLERGIES SO THAT YOU CAN BE ACCOMMODATED.

What are the dates of the weekend?

Please see the Weekend Information link to find out more detailed information about the specific dates.

Why are the men's and women's weekends at different times?

The reason is that men and women are very different human beings, especially in the way they express their feelings, emotions, relate to each other etc. Sometimes it is just easier to share this "special part" of yourself with someone of the same sex as you, because you may feel much more comfortable. From past

experience, since the 1940's, it has been found that separate weekends for each sex just work out much better. It will not take away from the weekend talks and in fact has been found to add much to the weekend.

I feel nervous about going and I do not know what to expect!

This is quite normal. Most people going to a Cursillo weekend feel a bit anxious, a bit unsure and a bit hesitant because it is new to them and they don't know much about the weekend. Relax, don't worry about it. Pray to God to remove your cares. You are going to have three wonderful days in the company of other Christians learning more about God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.