



## Cursillos in Christianity

Cursillo Movement of the Diocese of Gaylord, Michigan

Men's (February 27-March 2, 2025)     Women's (March 20-23, 2025)

**Applicant-please print clearly**

Name	
Parish (name, city)	
Address	
City	Zip
Phone	
E-Mail	
Birthdate	Education
Occupation	
Employer	
Marital Status (Circle):    Single    Married    Divorced    Widowed	
Spouse's Name	Is Spouse Catholic? Yes    No
Do you have any special needs for the weekend? Health-mobility, Diet, Allergies, etc... <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes/Explain	
Church ministries, favorite hobbies, etc.	
Do you have any questions about the weekend that your sponsor has not been able to answer?	
Signature	Date

**Applicant-****Pastor**

Name		Parish	
Address			
City	Zip	Phone	
Do you recommend this person for a Cursillo weekend? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Comments:			
Signature		Date	

**Sponsor**

Name		Parish	
Address		Phone	
City	Zip		
E-Mail			
Fourth day group meeting time/place			
Comments:			
Signature		Date	

Please make sure all sections are completed and sponsor fee is included.

Completed Applications must be mailed to:

Karen Derris  
211 N. C Street  
Cheboygan, MI 49721

Date Rcvd \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Fee \_\_\_\_\_



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### **Sponsor Information**

#### ***Speak to God about man before speaking to man about God.***

Sponsoring a candidate for Cursillo is a serious, year-long commitment and should not be taken lightly. Candidates should be prayerfully and carefully selected. A sponsor is strongly advised to sponsor no more than one person per year.

The only requirement for candidates is that he or she be Catholic, but sponsors should also consider candidates for strength of character, maturity, an open mind, an ability to listen, friendship, and willingness to change. Candidates should be emotionally healthy and seeking a deeper spiritual life. The Cursillo weekend is *not* designed to be a cure-all for those experiencing personal problems.

Prayer is an important part of sponsorship and sponsors should pray for candidates before, during and after the Cursillo weekend.

Sponsors are also expected to:

#### **Explain the Cursillo weekend**

- Answer ALL questions that your candidate might have. You cannot tell him/her too much.
- Explain what the facility at the Augustine Center is like.
- Explain dress for the weekend is casual, with most people dressing up more on Sunday.

#### **Make sure the weekend application is totally completed**

- Go over the application form with your candidate. Ask him/her to fill out the Applicant section, sign it, and return it to you.
- Ask the candidate's pastor to complete the Pastor section, including his signature. Be prepared to explain the Cursillo weekend to clergymen not familiar with the program.
- Complete the Sponsor section, sign it and attach the \$10 sponsor fee. In the comments section, please indicate whether you would recommend your candidate as a *Table Leader* or *Table Secretary and why?* Return the form and fee. Please do not turn in an incomplete form to "hold a spot." Incomplete forms will be returned to the sponsor.

#### **Keep in close contact with your Candidate before the weekend.**

- Make sure he or she has transportation to and from the Augustine Center. If you cannot transport the candidate yourself, try to pair him/her up with another candidate. Please make every effort to make sure the candidate has someone to ride with.
- Try to ease any fears or anxiety that the candidate might have before, especially the week before the weekend and if a spouse has attended shortly before.
- Make certain that a candidate's family is informed and knows the candidate will probably return rather late on Sunday. You may want to contact the candidate's family during the weekend as well.

#### **Support your candidate during the weekend.**

- Do palanca for your candidate and write a letter. Letters from non-Cursillistas (including family members) are not necessary (or appropriate).
- Attend the Sunday closing.

#### **Help your candidate participate in follow-up Cursillo activities**

- Make sure he or she finds a group.
- Bring your candidate to your next Ultreya.
- Remind him or her to attend the next closing.

Your commitment to your candidate does not end when he or she completes the application, or even after the Cursillo weekend. It is your responsibility to make sure your candidate feels welcomed at all Cursillo activities and is supported in his or her apostolic endeavors for at least a year.

***Make a friend, Be friend, Bring a friend to Christ.***