

**18<sup>th</sup> National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Encounter  
Catholic University of America  
Washington, DC  
July 31 – August 3, 2008**

The 18<sup>th</sup> National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Encounter will be held at the Catholic University of America, CUA, in Washington, D.C. on July 31 – August 3, 2008. The theme for the 2008 Encounter is: “Christ Is Our Light”. The Encounter will commence on Thursday, July 31, 2008, with the Keynote Address by Most Reverend Francisco González, S.F., and immediately followed by Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, and Benediction in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is within walking distance and we will hold our masses there during the Encounter.

The Encounter’s Fiesta will include time for one brief performance (song or dance) from the different cultures and ethnic groups in the National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Movement. Dioceses wishing to be included in this program must contact Phyllis Winston at 202-723-6756 by May 31, 2008. The timeline for the Fiesta is limited, but we hope to accommodate each of the different cultural groups.

The registration cost is \$325.00 if you register by May 31, 2008. We strongly encourage you to make your plans now to attend the 18<sup>th</sup> National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Encounter by sending the attached registration form to the National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Center. You may also register on-line at [www.natl-cursillo.org](http://www.natl-cursillo.org).

Lodging capacity is 600 persons. Rooms will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. Two persons per room. Two rooms share a center bathroom. No single rooms. There are 3 - 4 floors for each hall, with stairs only, no elevators. Limited number of first floor rooms. Limited number of wheelchair accessible rooms.

The Registration Fee includes transportation to/from Reagan National Airport (DCA) only, three nights lodging, dinner until 7:00 PM on Thursday evening, 3 meals on Friday and Saturday, and breakfast until 8:30 AM on Sunday morning.

Catholic University of America, CUA, is approximately 40 minutes from Reagan National Airport. A tentative agenda is attached. We invite you to go online at <http://visitors.cua.edu/CUAmapping.pdf>, to view a layout of CUA campus.

Please send Palanca for the 18<sup>th</sup> National Encounter to Sandra Coles-Bell at 7304 Carroll Avenue, #139, Takoma Park, MD 20912. The fax number is 301-891-0741 or you can e-mail your Palanca to [Palanca2008Encounter@mac.com](mailto:Palanca2008Encounter@mac.com)



**Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception** is the largest Catholic church in the Western hemisphere. This majestic limestone structure has 65 chapels, which reflect the rich cultural heritage of the Catholic Church. Tour the basilica online at <http://www.nationalshrine.com/>

**18th National Cursillo® Encounter**  
**The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.**  
**July 31 – August 3, 2008**

**“Christ Is Our Light”**

**Thursday, July 31, 2008**

2:00pm – 6:30pm

All participants check – in at Caldwell Auditorium

5:00pm – 7:00pm

Dinner – All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

7:30pm – 8:00pm

Opening of the 18th National Cursillo® Encounter

All participants at Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

- Opening Blessing: National Episcopal Advisor
- Prayer: National Spiritual Advisor
- Welcome: Lay Director of the Archdiocese of Washington

8:00pm – 8:45pm

Keynote Address – “Christ Is Our Light” – Most Reverend Francisco González, S.F.

All participants at Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

8:45pm – 9:00pm      Break

9:00pm – 10:00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Reconciliation

All participants at Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

**Friday, August 1, 2008**

6:30am – 8:00am

Breakfast – All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

8:00am – 8:15am      Break

8:15am – 9:00am

Morning Prayers & Meditation

All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center – Great Room

9:00am – 9:15am      Break

9:15am – 11:15am

Major Presentation: Mentality of the Cursillo Movement – Victor Lugo

Workshop Session

- Presentation – 30 minutes (presented separately by language)
- Group Discussion – 45 minutes
- Group Report – 45 minutes

11:15 – 11:30am

Prepare for Mass – Remember to Fast

11:30am – 12:30pm

Mass – Most Reverend Francisco González, S.F. and Most Reverend Martin D. Holley

All participants at Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

12:30pm – 2:30pm

Lunch – Groups are color-coded at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

2:30pm – 3:00pm      Break

3:00pm – 5:00pm

Workshop Session:

A. Total Security

Phyllis Winston

B. Sponsorship – What is It?

Steve Krause

- Presentation – 30 minutes (presented separately by language)
- Group Discussion – 45 minutes
- Group Report – 45 minutes

Workshop Session for all Spiritual Advisors

Role of the Spiritual Advisor

Rev. David Smith

5:00pm – 5:15pm      Break

5:15pm – 7:15pm

Dinner – Groups are color-coded at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

7:15pm – 7:30pm      Break

7:30pm – 9:00pm

Ultreya – All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center – Great Room

9:00pm – 9:30pm

Night Prayers – All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center – Great Room

### **Saturday, August 2, 2008**

6:30am – 8:00am

Breakfast – All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

8:00am – 8:15am      Break

8:15am – 9:00am      Morning Prayers & Saturday Devotion to Mary

All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center – Great Room

9:00am – 9:15am Break

9:15am – 11:15am

Major Presentation: The Three Encounters – Ceferino Aguillón

Workshop Session

- Presentation – 30 minutes (presented separately by language)
- Group Discussion – 45 minutes
- Group Report – 45 minutes

11:15am – 11:30am Break

11:30am – 1:30pm

Lunch – Groups are color-coded at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

1:30pm – 1:45pm Break

1:45pm – 3:15pm

Workshop Session

A. School of Leaders – Why?

B. Study of the Environment

Jacquelyn DeMesme-Gray

Gail Terrana

- Presentation – 30 minutes (presented separately by language)
- Group Discussion – 45 minutes
- Group Report – 45 minutes

3:15pm – 3:30pm Break

3:30pm – 4:30pm Regional Gathering

4:30pm – 4:45pm Break and prepare for Mass

4:45pm – 5:45pm

Mass – All participants at Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Dinner – Groups are color-coded at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

8:00pm – 8:30pm Break

8:30pm – 10:00pm

Fiesta – All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center – Great Room

### **Sunday, August 3, 2008**

6:30am – 8:30am

Breakfast – All participants at Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

10:00am

All participants need to check out at this time.

**18<sup>th</sup> National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Encounter Registration Form**  
**Catholic University of America – Washington, D. C.**  
**Thursday, July 31 – Sunday, August 3, 2008**

*Cost for the 18<sup>th</sup> National Encounter is \$325.00*  
**(Please use a separate Registration Form for each registrant)**

**(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY – THANK YOU – PLEASE FILL IN ALL THE BLANKS)**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Language: \_\_\_\_\_

Diocese: \_\_\_\_\_ Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (Circle one): Male Female Specify: Bishop, Priest, Deacon, or Religious \_\_\_\_\_

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If you wish to room with a specific person (spouse, friend, relative) then the other person's Registration Form must accompany this form. We will not guarantee your roommate if the forms do not accompany one another.

Roommate preference? (Circle One): Yes No If Yes, Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Special needs (Wheelchair/physically challenged): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to participate with the Encounter Choir? (Circle one): Yes No

**Make checks payable to: National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Center**

Credit Card payment: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle one: MasterCard or Visa (No Discover or American Express)

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_

***Send this form and payment to:***

National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Center  
P.O. Box 210226 - Dallas, TX 75211-0226  
Telephone: (214) 339-6321, Fax: (214) 339-6322, e-mail: nationalcursillo.center@verizon.net

Full payment of \$325.00 per person and this form must be received by May 31, 2008

Registration cost received June 1, 2008 – June 30, 2008 is \$375.00

Registration cost received July 1, 2008 – July 11, 2008 is \$425.00

Unable to guarantee lodging after July 11, 2008!

**There is a \$40.00 non-refundable fee for all cancellations up until May 31, 2008. No refunds after May 31, 2008 – No exceptions! The National Cursillo<sup>®</sup> Center is responsible for the payment to the University even when you cancel.**

Confirmation # _____ Office Use Only
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