

Teach us to hear and to live the words we pray when we are gathered for worship

These words were a part of the Morning Prayer intercessions found in the Tuesday, June 3, 2003 issue of the Magnificat. As I read them I could not help to wonder if I truly take the time to “hear and live” the words that I say when I pray such things as the Our Father, the Leaders’ Prayer, the Prayer to the Holy Spirit, etc. Oh, there have been times, periodically, when I have taken the time to dissect the various parts of these prayers so that my mind can grasp their full intent. But, I do not know if I have ever truly focused on “hearing” what the prayers are saying. I like to think that I am “living” what the prayers are saying, but if I haven’t fully “listened” then not only can my mind not absorb the words - my heart cannot absorb them either. To “live” the prayers means to have moved the words from my mind to my heart. Our minds helps us to rationalize the words, the heart provides us the opportunity to be what the words are encouraging each of us to be.

I would like to propose that each diocesan Cursillo Movement make it a point, during the month of July, to take some time to “hear” what our various prayers are saying and to see how we can “live” those words by merely being who God wants us to be. Furthermore, I would encourage each diocesan Cursillo Movement to dedicate the month of July as a time when the Cursillo leaders focus on ways that they can be of greatest service to help each cursillista continue the encounter that they received during their 3-Day Cursillo Weekend - that encounter with self, with God and with others.

July is the month when the United States celebrates its independence from any other country. Maybe this would be a good time for us to focus on how we can work toward our own independence from the secular chains that sometimes keep us from being fully Christian.

During the month of July I encourage you to put aside, as much as possible, the “business” of Cursillo and instead focus on how we can assist our Cursillo brothers and sisters in their spiritual journey. In our attempt to be fully Christian, how can we encourage a greater emphasis on pious acts that will help respond to our call to Holiness? What can we encourage people to study that will assist in their ongoing Christian Formation? What are some various forms of Apostolic Action that will help to bring about the mission of the Church - Evangelization?

May we all continually strive to “hear and live” the words we pray when we are gathered for worship.

PILGRIM'S GUIDE CORRECTIONS

It has been brought to our attention that there are several errors in the most recent printing of the Pilgrim's Guide (1996 Second edition, however, not all of these are affected). These errors were a result of a scanning process that was used by our new printing service.

We are making the necessary corrections to the next printing, however, it is likely that this will take a month or more before the new Pilgrim's Guides are ready for distribution. In the meantime, there is still a great need for Pilgrim's Guides and so we will continue to send them as they are currently printed. A copy of this letter will be included in each shipment so that the diocesan leaders can make the necessary changes. We do not have enough personnel to make the required changes to all the Pilgrim's Guides. It is hoped that the diocesan leaders will be able to assist us with this situation.

Here is a listing of the page number and the corresponding errors:

<u>Page #</u>	<u>Incorrect word</u>	<u>Correct Word</u>
20	reign	reigns
33 & 108	Cod	God
54, 66, 97, 127 & 132	lust	just
59	loin	join
62	works	words
73	COMMIMENT	COMMITMENT
95	Creek	Greek
105	SUCCESTIONS	SUGGESTIONS
121, 122 & 125	Pope St. Plus V	Pope St. Pius V

If you should encounter any other errors please bring them to the attention of the National Cursillo Center. Thank you for your understanding and assistance in this matter. We apologize for any inconvenience this situation may have caused, or is causing you.

Yours in Christ,

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