

Episcopal Diocese of West Texas Cursillo Sponsor's Checklist

As an aid to your sponsorship, please use this checklist to make certain you are offering your candidate appropriate support before, during, and after the Cursillo three-day weekend.

Your candidate's name _____

Cursillo # / dates _____

Before the weekend

1. Have you prayed for them? (See also #5 and #11 below)
 - before you have asked them to consider attending, and
 - once they have submitted an application.
2. Have you helped them in their spiritual preparation?
 - by reading and talking over with them the Baptismal Covenant (Vows) in the Book of Common Prayer (p. 292) and the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20)
 - by reading and discussing the responsibilities of a member of the Body of Christ (BCP p. 855)
 - by talking over with them the special problems and possibilities of their environment
 - by helping them see the connection between Cursillo and Christian responsibility
 - by inviting them to attend your group reunion and/or ultreya
3. Have you answered all of your candidate's questions and given them plenty of information?
 - about what to expect on the weekend
 - about what to bring on the weekend (clothes, linens, toiletries, etc.)
 - about what not to bring (books, needlepoint, radio/TV, tennis racquet, etc.)
 - about directions to the weekend site (help arrange transportation if you can)
4. Have you arranged any special help your candidate may need to free them for the weekend?
 - child care
 - house/pet sitter
 - picking up mail or newspapers
 - special duties (car pools, volunteer services, etc.)
 - other _____

During the weekend

5. Have you prepared your palanca (This means your prayers and sacrifices you are offering to God for your candidate – not the little gifts, etc.)?
 - prayers or special intentions for Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday
 - at least one personal note from you (preferably more)
 - additional personal notes, from their family members, friends, priest, fellow parishioners, etc.
 - other _____
6. Have you made arrangements to attend the closing?
 - to attend in person and welcome your new Cursillista into the community, or if some emergency keeps you away, to have someone represent you
 - to ride home with your candidate after closing & share their experience of the weekend

After the weekend

7. Have you made contact with your new Cursillista during the week following their weekend?
8. Have you assisted your new Cursillista in joining a group reunion?
 - by helping them find a group reunion as soon as possible after their three-day weekend
 - by inviting them to join your own reunion group, if another is not available
9. Have you brought your new Cursillista to the first 3 ultreyas after their three-day weekend?
 - first (date: _____)
 - second (date: _____)
 - third (date: _____)
10. Have you attended the Day of Deeper Understanding for his/her weekend?
11. Are you continuing to pray for your new Cursillista?

I will, with God's help. (signed) _____