**Clergy Information and Form**

**Co-ed Weekend Friday, May 3 to Sunday, May 5, 2024**

# Purpose of a Cursillo Weekend

A Cursillo weekend is intended to provide an opportunity for participants to:

* Enhance their Christian faith;
* Be strengthened in their spiritual journey;
* Discover ways to share their faith in their daily lives.

It is not designed to be a process for introducing people to Christianity or for the healing of deep spiritual or psychological problems.

With this in mind, the following guidelines have been set out regarding attendance at Cursillo weekend. It is critical that you consider these guidelines very carefully.

# Who Should Attend a Weekend?

A Cursillo weekend is **largely intended** forpeople who are:

* interested in exploring what it means to be a Christian in today’s world.
* active in their parish or would like to become (more) active in their parish.

A Cursillo weekend is **also of value to** those Christians who:

* live as Christians but are not presently involved in the church;
* show potential for taking an active role in the church and in sharing their faith with others.

# Additional Considerations

Experience has led to the following recommendations:

* A person should wait at least a year before attending a Cursillo weekend following major life events such as:
  + marriage counselling;
  + change in marital status;
  + serious illness;
  + bereavement.
* For married couples, it is desirable that both partners attend a Cursillo weekend.
* People with mental health issues should attend a Cursillo weekend only when they are well.
* People with physical limitations should first check with the registrar to determine what arrangements can be made to facilitate full participation.

Check off any of the above that apply, or could be a problem. These factors are not intended to exclude people from Cursillo weekends; they are intended to be in the best interest of the individual and to be balanced with what is important for table dynamics.

# Cost of the Weekend

The cost to organise a weekend is approximately $385 per person. We are hopeful that donations from the current weekend will cover a large part of the cost of the next weekend. However, finances should not affect a candidate’s decision to apply.

# Clergy Member’s Report

\*All information is confidential.

**NAME OF APPLICANT:**

(Please print clearly)

**Your Name**:

## Address:

Number and Street City/Town/Province Postal Code

## Email Address:

**Phone Numbers (Cell / Home):**

## Your denomination and home parish

**Is the applicant from your parish?**

* If the applicant is from another parish, it is preferable that much of the report be filled out with **the clergy of the person’s own church**.
* If your candidate is not a member of the Anglican Church, you must contact the Spiritual Director of Cursillo. For the contact phone number, please call the Synod Office at 780 439 7344.

**Why do you consider this applicant a good candidate for this Cursillo Weekend?** Please comment below, or on a separate page (to be attached).

N.B. If you checked off any of the points regarding major life events, attendance of both marriage partners, emotional problems, psychiatric treatment or physical disabilities, please give serious thought to whether or not the applicant should attend this year. If you think he/she/they should still attend, please comment further below, or on a separate page (to be attached).

Signature of Clergy: Date:

**AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**, return your report to the Candidate’s Sponsor. They will be responsible for collating the three reports and forwarding the application to the Cursillo Registrar. The Candidate’s application will only be considered when all three forms have been received by the Registrar. The Registrar will confirm acceptance.