



Lincoln Cursillo
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LAY DIRECTORS REPORT

I do hope you all found the Winter event as uplifting as I did. Thank you, Richard, for the worship and Jeff for the thought provoking session on the New Testament People. I know Angela is going to write more about the day so I don't want to steal her thunder.

My favourite service of the new year is the Methodist Covenant Service, it is one of the many united services that we have in the year. I find the covenant prayer very powerful, I am sure many of you know it, for those of you who don't I have added it to the end of this letter. In her sermon, Revd Nichola referred to the Covenant Service as a time to give ourselves the equivalent of a cars MOT. She wasn't talking about a physical check but a spiritual one. We were called to take a look at our prayer life, bible study and time with God. Nichola reminded us that it is so easy to let some aspects slip that we don't notice.

After these wise words, I decided that I should give myself an MOT and found myself wanting. Like everyone in the run up to Christmas I had been busy and that was when things started to slip. Morning prayer time was being done on hoof quite often. Bible reading being done but then getting up and rushing out or doing jobs. So, what was suffering? Well, it was quiet time. The time to sit after prayer and bible reading to allow God to speak to me. Something I had to address as I realised that I was missing that calming peace that comes from God alone. From now on I need to remember to have my spiritual MOT when the Covenant service comes around next year.

The Covenant Prayer

*I am no longer my own but yours.
Put me to what you will, rank me with whom you will;
put me to doing, put me to suffering;
let me be employed for you or laid aside for you,
exalted for you or brought low for you;
let me be full, let me be empty,
let me have all things, let me have nothing
I freely and wholehearted yield all things to your pleasure and disposal.*

*And now, glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
you are mine and I am yours.
So be it.*

*And the covenant now made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven.*

Amen

Wishing you all every Blessings
Ultreya Sandra

SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS REPORT

My mother always said.....

Actually, my Mum taught me quite a lot over the years. One of her sayings was "You're never too old to learn." So when I was invited the staff as Spiritual Advisor (SA) on Sheffield Cursillo #11, I accepted. The weekend will be held from February 16th to 19th. I'm looking forward to observing and participating in a Cursillo weekend which I expect isn't quite the same as ours.

For starters, Sheffield have three SA's rather than two. Will that mean a nap in the afternoon?

No, I don't think so either. Another difference is that the team got together one evening in early December 2016 for a simple meal, so it was just a "meet and eat" social gathering. Sheffield have only one training day before the weekend, but I missed it because I was away on holiday!

I'm hoping to learn from observing how Sheffield deliver their "Authentic Three days". Perhaps, I will be able to bring back something to put to our Secretariat, something which may enhance our Weekend. You never know because as Mum said "You're never too old to learn."

In January, we held our Winter Event at Edward King House. The Revd. Richard Spray led the opening worship. He had compiled the liturgy for the service, even accompanying the hymns on his guitar, he's a talented man. For the morning session, we had a bible study with a difference. I split the Cursillistas into four groups, each to look at the bible passage through the eyes of one of the participants in the reading. Later, one 'volunteer' from each group sat together at a table in the middle of the room to discuss the viewpoint of their group. Everyone seemed to get into part quite easily. We tend to read bible passages as an outsider looking at a historical event. Examining the passage from the inside, allows us to consider it in a different way. You're never too old to learn.

The afternoon session also took a passage from the bible. After discussing it, each group produced artwork to demonstrate the results of their deliberations. Well, that wasn't new but it was unexpected.

Here are some more things my Mum taught me:

She taught me about **CONTORTIONISM**.

'Will you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!'

She taught me about **HYPOCRISY**.

'If I told you once, I've told you a million times. Don't exaggerate!'

She taught me about **ANTICIPATION**.

'Just wait until your father gets home.'

And as Tiny Tim said in Dickens' novel,
"God bless us, each and every one."

Jeff.

Winter Event

As usual the Winter Event was something special. Jeff Wilson, our SA, led us in a study on Mat2:1-12, the passage about the Magi. To set the tone for the morning Richard Spray provided the music to some excellent singing, worship and meditation about our fear of change. How could we then not respond with feeling to the task Jeff gave us of looking at the visit of the Magi using the perspective of the characters of Herod, Mary and Joseph, the priests and the Magi. Four groups took on this task looking at how each must be feeling at the time, burdened as we would be with the culture, fears and uncertainties that would have influenced us so much. A spokesperson from each group then took on the character and met the others round a conference table, expressing their views passionately. I have to say, in spite of the respect with which we all gave to the task, there was a lot of hilarity and wit that made it all fun.



After another amazing faith lunch, we were invited to express our interpretation of the story of the ten lepers in the medium of.....Yes, you've guessed it..... ART WORK. All I can say is thank God for those who have the artistic talent of painting on canvas by any means available and the rest of us who are dab hands with the scissors. Excellent work!



Thank you to Jeff, Richard and all the fellow Cursillestas, those who shared the faith lunch (amazing as always) for making it another successful event.

See you all at the AGM at the end of March.
Angela Simcox

CURSILLO LEADERS WORKSHOPS

17th- 19th March 2017 at [Oblate Centre](#), Crewe
28th - 30th July 2017 [Shallowford House](#), Stone
20th - 22nd October 2017 [Shallowford House](#), Stone

If you are interested in attending a weekend please contact the BACC Rep Rosemary Spray (see below) and she will make the necessary arrangements. Please don't contact the venue directly.

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Lincoln Anglican Cursillo

Summer Event

Saturday 10th June

St Vincent's

CAYTHORPE

11.30 for 12.00pm- Eucharist

1.30 LUNCH

Caythorpe Village Hall NG32 3DR

Followed by fun and games!!

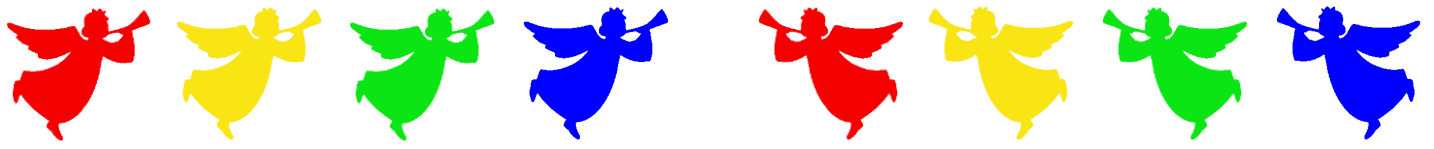
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Please book with Libby Mason

01636 627178 or [e.mail](#)

Numbers as soon as possible please

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AGM & ULTREYA

25 March

St Peter's Church
Woodhall Spa

11.00

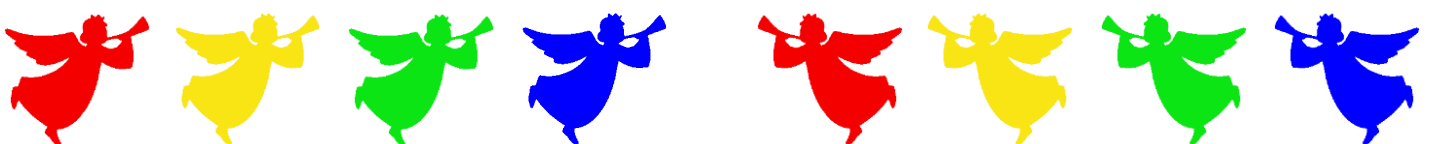
AGM

Eucharist

bring-and-share lunch

Ultreya

Come and enjoy the fellowship



FACEBOOK



Lincoln Cursillo Facebook is a closed Group for members of Lincoln Cursillo.

If you wish to join the group please contact your Reunion Group Leader or a member of the Secretariat and they will pass on the request.

HYMN BOOKS REQUIRED

We require approximately 50 Hymns books for our Cursillo weekends. They need to be in reasonable condition and contain the kind of hymns that are suitable for Cursillo.

If you think you can help please contact publicityrep@lincolncursillo.org.uk or ring Susanne 01400 272777 or contact any secretariat member with Title of Book, the Edition and numbers available.

BACC PAGES The Winter 2016 edition is available from:

http://www.anglicancursillo.co.uk/BACC%20Pages/bacc_pages_winter_2016-17.pdf

PALANCA

The following Weekends have been sent a Palanca Poster from Lincoln Cursillo.

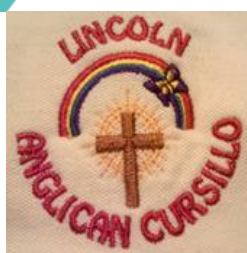
Please support them with Palanca prayer.

Date	Cursillo
16-19 March	Ely #32
23-26 March	Norwich #9
20-23 April	Blackburn #64
4-7 May	Durham #26 , London #31
11-14 May	Canterbury #57 , Leicester #43 St. Albans #8 , York #25
25-28 May	Chester #54 , Chichester #28 , St. Davids #20

LINCOLN CURSILLO LEAFLET

The 3 fold leaflet has been updated. Copies can be downloaded from the download page of the website at <http://lincolncursillo.btck.co.uk/Downloads> .

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<http://lincolncursillo.btck.co.uk/> includes all the articles in this Imp Sheet which can be found in the [Imp Sheet Page](#).

Items from previous editions can be found in the [News & Articles Resource](#) page.

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PILGRIMES
FOR
LINCOLN #33**



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<u>Lincoln Cursillo Dates</u>			
2017			
11 March	9.30 for 10.00 - 12.30	Secretariat	Bailgate Methodist
17-19 March	CLW weekend		Oblate Centre Crewe
25 March	11.00 12.00 1.00 2.00 - 3.30	AGM Eucharist bring-and-share lunch Ultreya	St Peter's Church St Peter's Hall Woodhall Spa
20 May	9.30 for 10.00 - 2.00pm	Lincoln #33 Training Day 1	Bailgate Methodist
10 June	Summer Event		Caythorpe
1 July	9.30 for 10.00 - 3.30pm	Lincoln #33 Training Day 2	Bishop Grosseteste
15 July	9.30 for 10.00 - 12.30	Secretariat	Bailgate Methodist
4-7 August	Lincoln #33		Bishop Grosseteste
19 August	What's Next		TBA
2 September	National Ultreya		Southwell
14 October	Ultreya		Alford
21 October	9.30 for 10.00 - 12.30	Secretariat	Bailgate Methodist