

Episcopal Cursillo Diocese of Florida

Instructions For Completing Candidate Application Packet

1. Pray for the person(s) you want to sponsor and for you to keep all of the Sponsor's commitments.
2. Read over and initial all the items on the Sponsor's Checklist.
3. Fill out the Sponsor's Commitment Sheet and sign it and date it.
4. Have candidate fill out application form. Please print all information.
5. Fill out as much as possible the Rector's Recommendation Form.
6. Take these forms to your candidates Rector and ask him/her if they feel that your proposed candidate is a viable candidate. There is nothing worse than telling someone that you want to sponsor them, only to find out that the Rector is aware of something in that person's life which they judge would make it not an appropriate time for them to attend a Cursillo. We have to honor their judgement on this.
7. Now take the Candidate Application form to the proposed candidate(s) and get them, one for the husband and one for the wife for couples, to complete and sign and date the applications.
8. Put the completed forms in an envelope and mail them to the Registrar, Ellen Cory. The address etc. is on the bottom of the Rector's Recommendation Form.
9. Start your palanca for your candidate, all the other candidates and the team for Christ which will be put together for this person's Cursillo.

**EPISCOPAL CURSILLO DIOCESE OF FLORIDA
SPONSOR'S CHECK LIST**

RESPONSIBILITIES OF A SPONSOR:

Initial Each Area to Show Understanding & Agreement

- _____ Explain to your candidate the cost of the weekend. \$125
- _____ Explain to your candidate that Cursillo is not a weekend only and that they will be invited to participate in the follow-up programs of grouping and Ultreyas.
- _____ Pray for your candidate until his or her weekend is over.
- _____ When your candidate is invited to a weekend, assist him or her in preparing for the weekend (packing, etc.) making sure the candidate has dinner and then attending the Send-on Thursday night of his or her Cursillo.
- _____ Remain after the Send-on to pray for your candidate.
- _____ Getting prayers and letters for your candidate from members of your reunion group and the local Cursillo community and if your candidate is married, getting a *love* letter(s) for your candidate from your candidate's spouse and children.
- _____ Seeing that every need at your candidate's house is met, baby-sitters, mail, newspapers, pets, etc. while your candidate is at his or her weekend.
- _____ Attend Wake-up and Clausura, getting your candidate fed and home safely.
- _____ Arranging to form a reunion group with your candidate as soon as he or she returns from Cursillo and continuing to meet in group reunion with your candidate until he or she finds a permanent reunion group.
- _____ Take your candidate to the Welcoming Ultreya.
- _____ Attending local community Ultreyas with your candidate for at least three months after his or her Cursillo weekend.
- _____ Continue to pray for your candidate after he or she has returned from the Cursillo weekend.

**EPISCOPAL CURSILLO DIOCESE OF FLORIDA
CANDIDATE APPLICATION FORM**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: Area Code: _____ Number: _____ Work: Area Code: _____ Number _____

Your E-mail address: _____

Are you a Baptized communicant of the Episcopal Church: (circle one) Yes No

Sponsor's Name: _____ Sponsor's Phone: Hm: _____ Wk: _____

Sponsor's Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Your Parish: _____ Parish Phone: _____

Your Rector: _____ Rector's Home Phone: _____

Name that you like to be called: _____ Your Sex:(circle one): male female

Parish Activities: _____

Who to contact *other than your spouse* in an emergency:

Name: _____

Phone: A/C: _____ Number: _____ Relationship: _____

Hobbies/Special Interests: _____

Applicant's Date of Birth: _____ Marital Status*: _____

Occupation: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

***NOTE:** The Cursillo is an experience intended to be shared. For this reason husbands and wives are asked to fill out applications and send them in **together** even though there are separate weekends for men and women. The **husband** is expected to attend his Cursillo weekend **before** the wife attends her weekend.

Please tell us of any physical limitations, medications, special diets, overweight, diabetic, claustrophobic, etc. that we need to know about in order to plan ahead to make your weekend as comfortable and convenient as possible.

What do you personally expect to receive from Cursillo? _____

Have the follow-up programs of grouping and ultreyas been explained to you? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

BE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS COMPLETE.....THEN GIVE IT TO YOUR SPONSOR. Your sponsor will forward your application. You should understand that this application is **not** for a specific weekend. After your application has been received you will be notified of a specific date and location for your Cursillo weekend.

**EPISCOPAL CURSILLO DIOCESE OF FLORIDA
SPONSOR'S COMMITMENT**

Candidates Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: A/C _____ Number: _____ Work: A/C _____ Number: _____

Sponsor's Name: _____ Sponsor's Phone: _____

Sponsor's Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Sponsor's E-Mail Address: _____

Are you committed to performing ALL of the duties of a sponsor as listed on Sponsor's Checklist Page? _____

Have you identified another Cursillista who will serve as backup and fulfill your commitment if you are unable to do so? _____

Are you committed to assisting your candidate in finding a permanent reunion group? _____

Are there any special concerns that we should consider in planning your candidate's weekend? (e.g., in assigning tables, cabins or bunks or walking to Rollo room etc.) _____

Are there any special problems such as special diets, disabilities, medications, overweight, diabetic, etc. that we should know about and plan for to make your candidate's weekend more enjoyable? _____

Why do you think that your candidate should attend a Cursillo at this time?

I commit to the above outlined requirements of being a sponsor and will to the very best of my ability do all that I can to ensure my candidate having a good experience and one that is lasting.

SIGNED: _____ Sponsor for: _____

Date: _____

**EPISCOPAL CURSILLO DIOCESE OF FLORIDA
RECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR CURSILLO CANDIDATE**

Candidates Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: A/C: _____ Number: _____ Work: A/C: _____ Number: _____

Is the candidate a Baptized communicant of the Episcopal Church: (circle one) Yes No

Sponsor's Name: _____ Sponsor's Phone: _____

Sponsor's Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Your Parish: _____ Parish Phone: _____

Rector's Name: _____ Rector's Home Phone: _____

Rector's E-mail Address: _____

The Cursillo is designed to make it possible for mature Christians to live what is fundamental to being a Christian... to live in union with Christ. It is especially intended for those who have the potential to be leaders by example in their environment and in their local congregations.

With rare exception candidates for Cursillo in the Diocese of Florida must be members in good standing of a parish or mission of this diocese. If the candidate is not a baptized communicant and a member in good standing of a parish or mission of this diocese, please explain: _____

If the candidate's spouse is not attending, please explain: _____

Candidates must also be mature and free from emotional, psychological and family stress. Also, the weekend is a strenuous one, and candidates should be physically able to keep up with the pace of the weekend in the rustic setting of Camp Weed.

The opinions and advice of the candidate's rector is an especially important and valuable part of the application process. Therefore, we request your candid remarks and recommendation below. Please explain in detail justification for any exceptions to normal rules of candidate eligibility. **(ALL INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.)** _____

Candidates Rector's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please forward the Candidate's Application, Sponsor's Commitment and Rector's Recommendation to:

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