



Fall 2018



# Rooster Tails

## News from Across Canada

### Triennial Conference— 2018

When over a hundred people gathered at the height of the Canadian Anglican Cursillo Triennial Conference at Renison College in Waterloo (June 22-24), little did they expect to get so much singing, prayer and faith building!

On Saturday afternoon, people attended two of three workshops on Spiritual Journaling, the Labyrinth or Discerning God's Call. These workshops plus the displays provided by The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, The Anglican Foundation and The Anglican Fellowship of Prayer engaged and challenged the participants to grow, or, in the words of the theme, "to do a new thing".

Although the Triennial conference of the Canadian Anglican Cursillo began on Friday night, the Saturday night was the highlight.

On Saturday night, when the faith talk and responses were the focus, Bishop Linda Nicholls greeted those attending from Newfoundland to Vancouver Island, and especially the Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, and welcomed them to the Diocese of Huron.

She expressed her own gratitude to be able to encourage and support Cursillistas as they enhance leadership in the Church and especially in their parishes and deaneries. Bishop Linda's response to the faith talk was the highlight of the evening speeches, summing up how each person can respond and, taking large or small steps, accomplish great results.

Throughout the weekend, Archbishop Fred provoked thought by using the model of St. Peter. Taking a look at Peter as a Friend to Jesus, then a Disciple and finally a Leader, Archbishop Fred examined the various episodes of Peter's life, especially those surrounding Good Friday and the resurrection appearances. He emphasized that being a Follower, Peter often failed to do what he was supposed to do, but he was always able to get back up and begin following Jesus again. Likewise, our own journey often involves a similar pattern of failure and success, so we are not to be discouraged. With his accustomed wisdom, warm wit and startling precision, Archbishop Fred spoke of God's deep and abiding love for all who earnestly seek God.....continued

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#### Special points of interest

- Meet your new CAC Secretariat
- Upcoming Renewal Weekend in Edmonton
- New Resource—Prayer Changes Things



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## Keynote Address: Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada

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By Sunday morning, Cursillistas were fully engaged and ready to take their faith journey to the next level. As the Eucharist concluded, Archbishop Fred laid his hands upon people, affirming them as they returned to the places across Canada from which they had come.

With lively singing provided by

guitars, keyboard and drums, the momentum of joy and enthusiasm continued to grow until the final dismissal. As the last chords of music faded, the words of the final song filled the air, "Build Your Kingdom here, we pray.

*Susan Little, Lay Director of the  
Niagara Huron Secretariat.*

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*"Behold, I am doing a new thing." Isaiah 43:19*

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Your 2018– 2021 CACS:



### **Chair—Marion Bailey**

My Fourth Day began in March 1995 in the Diocese of Niagara . I am retired but actively involved in the Brantford community as a School Bus Driver. I attend Grace Anglican Church in Brantford, where I serve as a Lay Reader, ACW President, and a Lay Delegate to Synod in the Huron Diocese. I am wife, mom, step-mom, daughter, sister, sister-in-law, aunty, gramma and friend.

## Greetings

It is my privilege to bring greetings from CACS as the 2018 – 2021 Chair. I am humbled to accept this responsibility and I trust Holy Spirit to continue to guide the Canadian Anglican Cursillo Secretariat over the next three years. As I pray, I ask for guidance and direction, trusting that He answers. (He has not let me down so far.)

Before I was led to a seat on this team, I wondered – "What is CACS? What do they do anyway?? These are the same questions I had hear from others. And yet, it is of little surprise that God reveals Himself — even in Cursillo Secretariats. He gives direction as we seek to solve unanswered questions. He gives us the guidance for hands on experience to assist Diocesan Cursillo Movements to remain true to the founders' vision of what Cursillo is intended to do and how it is intended to function. At the same time, doubts are dispelled and we are encouraged to grow in faith while strengthening personal relationships. I give thanks – knowing there is so much to learn. It is my hope to answer questions and invite you to connect with me personally.

The Chair of CACS also has the responsibility of publishing the National "Rooster Tales" – the CACS Newsletter. You can find this publication and a plethora of Cursillo information and links on our national website: [www.anglicancursillo.com](http://www.anglicancursillo.com). We are updating our website in order to bring greater security. I trust you will find answers to your questions on the website and that you will receive guidance and direction as you seek to know God at work through Cursillo. ULTREYA!

Marion Bailey  
Chair 2018—2021



## Canadian Anglican Cursillo Secretariat 2018—2021

### News from Across the Country

**British Columbia** - We have been diligently working on developing Policies and Procedures and Job Descriptions. We will be creating position binders for each area of responsibility within our Cursillo Movement Community. We are referencing the CACS materials in order to complete these tasks. At our AGM 2018, a motion was passed which provides funding for a second Secretariat member to attend the CACS Triennial Conferences.

**Calgary** - A Prayer Conference was held in May 2018. A Prayer booklet has been written by one of our Cursillistas with view of usage by the Weekend Palanca teams.

**Central Nfld** - Last May we held our first shortened weekend. God answered our prayers for 32 candidates. It was a learning experience for all, especially the team members who were used to the longer weekend. Overall it went very well. We have spent the past 6 to 8 months preparing and implementing our Pastoral Plan, updating our Hand Book, preparing job descriptions for Secretariat, completing hand books for – Precursillo, Postcursillo, Ultreya, Palanca and Supplies. We are currently working on a Clergy package. In October our Servant Community will be operable.

#### 2018—2021 CACS

**REPRESENTING THE ECCLESIASTICAL PROVINCES:** *(Left to Right)*

Marion Bailey, (Huron Diocese) **CHAIR**

Rev. Yvonne Thistle, (Diocese of Central Nfld) **CANADA**

Jennifer Jacobs, (Diocese of Qu'Appelle) **RUPERT'S LAND**

Wendy Goodall, (Calgary Diocese) **RUPERTS LAND**

Bev Hatt, (Ottawa Diocese) **ONTARIO**

Bp Rob Hardwick, (Diocese of Qu'Appelle) **EPISCOPAL ADVISOR**

Anne Gould, (Diocese of Niagara) **ONTARIO**

Barb Hobson, (Diocese of Nova Scotia & PEI) **CANADA**

Carol Summers, (Diocese of Niagara) **PAST CHAIR**

Rev. Rob Hutchison, (Diocese of British Columbia) **BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON**

## Edmonton

### Renewal

### Weekend

Nov 16—18th

*“Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me” Psalm 51*

## Ottawa

Planning a Day of Deeper Understanding for the spring. Looking at hosting a workshop for youth based on a successful workshop offered previously to Cursillistas called You Want Me To Do What?.”

Participants learn new ways to share their faith.

**Edmonton** - A low level of energy within the seasoned Cursillista community led to a decision to suspend the 2018 Weekend in favor of a Renewal Weekend for those who wish to revive and renew their commitment. We have a full slate of powerful speakers and strong endorsement by the Bishop of Edmonton. The theme of the Weekend is making disciples, with a modified flow focused on being called again and being sent out for an authentic and sustained 4<sup>th</sup> Day life. The impetus for this change in direction was the CACS triennial weekend in Waterloo, when we were impressed with God’s words: See, I am doing a new thing. It was time for us to do a new thing at God’s prompting, encouragement and support. We have 542 names on our Master List of past attendees at Weekends, and our monthly Ultreyas draw 20-30 people. The Weekend in 2017 was attended by 19 co-ed candidates. As a servant community we participated in a Habitat for Humanity Build in 2017, and in 2018 have invited Ultreya speakers who have given us ways to support prison ministry, indigenous reconciliation, spiritual direction, and the ministry of invitation.

**Niagara Huron** - Held a Day of Deeper Understanding in April. Ultreyas have attracted Cursillistas from all over the country.

Looking to meet with Rev. Dawn Davis to discuss how Cursillo fits into the Niagara Diocesan vision of reconnecting people with their faith. A Cursillista is working on a study researching former Cursillistas – why they joined, why they are no longer active. May help us to reclaim former members.

**NS PEI** – Review and update of database – 337 members – sending monthly info related to the movement. Identifying members who do not have email and will appreciate a phone call. Post Cursillo Director ensures Witness Speaker and Clergy at all Ultreyas. Consistent group of musicians at Ultreyas. Palanca Director has renewed worldwide community connections. Archbishop has provided 2 new clergy for Secretariat in February. Have done 10 pulpit talks in 7 churches in the last 3 months. Day of Deeper Understanding in June well attended and included a review of Sponsorship. Preparing a New Weekend in October. Updated all Secretariat Binders and has reviewed key Organizational and Administrative documents from CACS. Implementation of the Floating Group Reunions at the Ultreyas has not cost attendance.

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**Ottawa** – Preparing for first shortened weekend as a trial format.

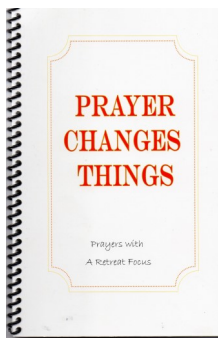
**W. Nfld** - Our scheduled weekend in May was postponed because of a technical problem at the camp where we hold the event.

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**[Canadian Anglican Cursillo](#)**

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## RESOURCES FOR YOU TO CHECK OUT!!!



Written with a Cursillo Weekend Palanca Team in mind, this booklet was written by Jane Jones. From Preparation for a weekend—to Talks—to the Fourth Day and beyond, Jane offers appropriate prayers supported by scripture. You can purchase a copy by contacting Jane at [jane.jones@stpo.ca](mailto:jane.jones@stpo.ca) for the small cost of \$10

Have you seen Heartbeat of the Church??



**CHECK OUT THE ANGLICAN  
CHURCH OF CANADA WEBSITE**

Read the Primate's letter,  
Download the guide and then add  
your prayer.

DISCOVER THE HEARTBEAT



**facebook**



Please share your stories and experiences with others through Facebook!! New information and pictures will keep it fresh. Cursillistas have a lot of good news to share and stories to tell and the world certainly needs to hear the good news.

Visit: **[Canadian Anglican Cursillo Movement](#)**—and where it says “Write something” let your fingers do the talking!

## 2018—2019 WEEKENDS!

### CENTRAL NFLD

Grand Ultreya—  
November 9-10  
combined with Spiritual  
Renewal. This is a first  
for us.

This year will find us  
celebrating 33 years as  
Cursillo in the Diocese  
of Central NL, so plans  
are under way to  
REMEMBER – Grace  
abounds.

<b>BC</b>	<b>Co-Ed:</b>	<b>March 1-3, 2019</b>
<b>Calgary</b>	<b>Men:</b>	<b>October 25– 28, 2018</b>
	<b>Women:</b>	<b>November 1–4, 2018</b>
<b>Central Nfld</b>	<b>Co-Ed:</b>	<b>May 3 — 5, 2019</b>
<b>Edmonton</b>	<b>Co-Ed Renewal:</b>	<b>November 16-18, 2018</b>
<b>Niagara and Huron</b>	<b>Co-Ed:</b>	<b>Oct 19 — 21 2018</b>
<b>NS PEI</b>	<b>Men:</b>	<b>Oct 19 — 21, 2018</b>
	<b>Women:</b>	<b>Oct 19 — 21, 2018</b>
<b>Ottawa</b>	<b>Men:</b>	<b>November 9 — 11, 2018</b>
	<b>Women:</b>	<b>November 23—25, 2018</b>
<b>W. Nfld</b>	<b>Co-Ed:</b>	<b>Hoping for Spring ..TBD</b>

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**BC-** The BC weekend coming up on March 1-3, 2019; a stronger turnout to our Ultreyas; and the discernment to determine if we are ready to host future events.

**Calgary-** Increased participation at Cursillo events

**Central Nfld**—For our next weekend we can have about 20 or more younger people .

**Edmonton** - A spirit—filled Renewal Weekend that revives the will to bring more people closer to Christ . A revived Cursillo movement in Edmonton Diocese that sustains a life of prayer and fellowship within the 4<sup>th</sup> Day framework. Clergy support for Cursillo, including spiritual leadership

**Niagara and Huron** – Attracting priests for weekends and Secretariat. Ways to rejuvenate the Toronto area.

**NS PEI**—Upcoming Weekend – many candidates. Witness speakers for Ultreyas . Prayers for Cursillistas to continue to form Permanent Group Reunions. For 2019 Secretariat – 5 new members

**Ottawa**— For recruiting people to serve on Secretariat – Open positions to be filled for January are Assistant Lay Director, Treasurer and Secretary.

**W. Nfld** - We have a new Spiritual Director and we are under the supervision of a new Bishop. Please pray for our diocese and our movement as we transition.



**ULTREYA!!**