



## April 2020 Cursillo Newsletter

### Spiritual Greeting

#### **TRIDUUM** (USCCB WEBSITE)

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil.

The liturgical services that take place during the Triduum are:

- Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
- Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

As we enter the Easter Triduum, it will be celebrated like most of us have never experienced before. Because of the corona virus, we are to practice social distancing and not gather in groups. Palms were distributed and yes we were able to hear the mass via face book or other streaming means. We will continue from Holy Thursday through the evening of Easter Sunday to celebrate the unfolding of Christ's Paschal Mystery in the same way.

Archbishop Wester asks us that "This Holy Week Home is the Holy Place." We as Cursillistas have a great gift in the Tripod – Piety, Study and Action. We can make our homes holy through our practices of piety, study and action. Continue offering your day to Lord, set aside time to pray, pray the rosary, and examine your conscience daily. If possible watch daily mass. Listen

to the scriptures and meditate on what Our Lord is asking of us during this specific time and place. This is a great time to read scripture and share with those in our homes. Reach out to someone either by phone or email; maybe someone you have not seen or heard from in sometime.

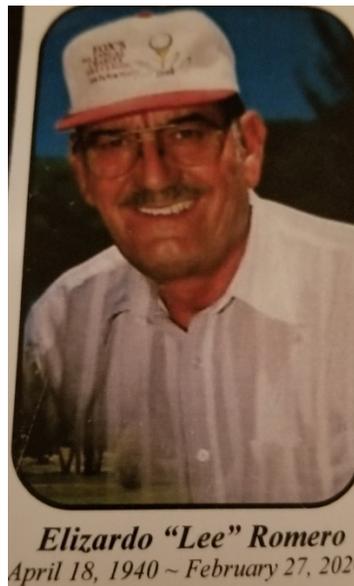
Above all remember, **HE IS RISEN!** The Lord Jesus has risen. He is here with us. He has sent his Spirit to guide and comfort us. And yes to heal us of this pandemic.

Peace with you!

**This Easter New Letter is in loving memory of our brother Lee Romero – we all know Lee was a true follower of God. Lee inspired many and led many to Christ. He will surely be missed.**

**Let us also continue to pray for Sally as I'm sure there is a huge void in her life.**

**Fly with the Angels Lee – De Colores**



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What a humble time this is for us all such a drastic change from our routine of life. So this is the new norm for a while and as we adjust and stay hopeful and prayerful, we can reflect on the very first Easter. I read this post – author is unknown but it is most fitting for this time.

The very first Easter was not in a crowded worship space with singing and praising. On the very first Easter the disciples were locked in their house. It was dangerous for them to come out. They were afraid. They wanted to believe the good news they heard from the women, that Jesus had risen. But it seemed too good to be true. They were living in a time of such despair and such fear. If they left their homes their lives and the lives of their loved ones might be at risk. Could a miracle really have happened? Could life really have won out over death? Could this time of terror and fear really be coming to an end?

Alone in their homes they dared to believe that hope was possible, that the long night was over and morning had broken, that God's love was the most powerful of all, even though it didn't seem quite real yet. Eventually, they were able to leave their homes, when the fear and danger had subsided, they went around celebrating and spreading the good news that Jesus was risen and love was the most powerful force on the earth.

This year, we might get to experience a taste of what that first Easter was like, still in our homes daring to believe that HOPE is on the horizon. Then, after a while, when it is safe for all people, when it is the most loving choice, we will come out, gathering together, singing and shouting the good news that God brings life even out of death, that love always has the final say!

### **Upcoming Events**

- Unfortunately with COVID-19 it is very difficult to make plans – the current plan of course is that our Cursillo's for this year have been delayed and possibly can be held in October or November. As soon as we are free to be out and about we will look to getting Cursillo's scheduled again. Until then it is very difficult to even set a tentative date.
- Annual picnic is still scheduled for the weekend of July 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. This was also going to be our Ultreya after our Cursillo's. We will see what happens and maybe it will be an Ultreya, and if not hopefully it will be a time to gather, reflect and enjoy each other's company.

Please keep the following in your prayers during their illness and for all Cursillista's we are not aware of that may be ill.

Marietta Rodriguez

Bernie Rodriguez

Archie Madrid

Gilbert Alarid

Tom Ortiz

Mike Tanuz

**Happy Easter – May God Bless you and your families**

