

APPENDIX B

PULPIT TALK

My name is _____, fellow parishioner at _____. I'm here this evening to introduce you all to a Parish organization, Cursillo, that has also been part of our parish life at _____ for quite some time. The word Cursillo is Spanish and means "short course" and for us it is a short 3 day course in Christianity.

Cursillo starts as a 3 day weekend, one for men, one for the ladies, which will occur in April of next year. It is a weekend put on by lay people who, through sharing a series of their lives' stories, really get us to know the Christ that is within each of us, get us to strengthen our faith and come back to _____ as invigorated members of the body of Christ. On the weekend there's some serious discussion, there's incredible humor, great meals, liturgy, music, and the weekend changes the direction of people's lives.

Why Cursillo? I may be biased, but I see a drastic drop off in the number of young adults involved in the Church, and this weekend cannot help but generate enthusiasm, involvement, and a positive change in the direction of your life. I will be at the entrance of the church to answer any questions that you might have and I have some informational materials for you. Thanks for your attention and I look forward to talking to you and hope that you will make yourself available to Cursillo this Spring.