



The **VISION** *of the*
COMMUNITY OF TRANSCENDENT MEN





LATE ONE EVENING...

in the spring of 2015 while sitting in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, Fr. Huber felt the Holy Spirit was inspiring him with an idea. For some time, he had been observing the increasing problems and challenges that seemed so overwhelming to many in the Parishes he'd been serving. As a result of many hours of prayer and reflection in front of the Holy Eucharist, he was blessed with an idea that is the solution to these problems!

WHAT IS THE SOLUTION?

It begins with you.

Individual men stepping up and becoming leaders in their respective environments:



HOME



PARISH



WORK



SCHOOL



COMMUNITIES

This can only happen in a growing community of like-minded men.



CIM's UNIVERSAL MINDSET

Men helping men understand the importance of stepping up and becoming spiritual leaders.

- A desire to continually grow in understanding the teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church.
- Understanding that a boy becomes a man, when he is able to take care of himself and others and wants to.
- Understand these human characteristics: a woman wants to be loved and a man wants to be respected.
- Choosing not to provoke others with my words while also expressing my beliefs and God's Truths, and choosing to not be offended by the words of others.
- Thinking about what I/we can do to grow the Catholic Church.

ONE MAJOR PROBLEM

Men are not answering God's call to be Spiritual leaders and are not raising their children with the grace and love of God. This creates a fatherless environment, even if the father is physically present in the home. This lack of physical, emotional, or mental presence negatively affects children the most. We now see boys that have fallen prey to idolatry (i.e. phones, games, TV, etc.). These vices are used in an attempt to fill the void that was created by an absent father.

THE EFFECTS

In terms of psychological and spiritual development, it takes a lot of male bonding in order to raise a boy into a man and even more bonding to raise a boy into a mature Christian man. Sin enters the family through the father; he is the gatekeeper. In today's isolated culture, males have very few opportunities to form meaningful relationships with other men. Many boys grow up in male deprived environments with 43% of children born in our world without fathers in the home. The few male relationships they do have are founded in sports, gaming, work, and other temporal concerns. These relationships do little to prepare men to be loving and supporting husbands for their wives and spiritual leaders for their families and communities. Moreover, young people have much more information at their disposal through technology, but information is not wisdom. Technology has become a damaging illusion of wisdom that has replaced the authentic wisdom that used to come from relationships with older adults.



THE SOLUTION

The CTM mindset will fix the problem. Men must first address the needs of their spiritual life by seeking their Father in heaven. Then they can address the needs of their families by utilizing God's wisdom available to us through the lives of other transcendent men. Men need to humbly seek this wisdom as they raise their children and love their wives. Every man needs to understand the immeasurable benefits of being a part of a community of men practicing their Catholic faith. As

Proverbs 27:17 tells us, "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." It's going to take a growing community of men working together while following the teachings of Christ and His Church. For the last several years a group of like-minded Catholic men have formed a unique organization that possesses such a narrow focus: men forming a community of men that will help them step up and become the Spiritual Leaders in their environments; the Community of Transcendent Men.



With any movement, change comes from the bottom up. Bureaucratic hierarchies (like Parishes) move slowly with entrenched interests and shy away from risk.

At the other extreme, an artist might create a classic work of art or literature, but he could never meaningfully change the world without an army of men.

This community of men now possess a sense of urgency to spread the CTM mindset into every Catholic organization.

**“AS IRON SHARPENS IRON,
SO ONE MAN SHARPENS ANOTHER.”**

PROVERBS 27:17

WHAT A C1M MAN LOOKS LIKE

- He puts God first.
- He pursues joy and prays daily.
- He understands the importance of being the spiritual leader in his family.
- He gets his family to Sunday Mass.
- He receives the Sacraments and encourages his family to do the same.
- He strives to learn more about the teachings of Christ and His Church.
- He loves his wife and he shows it.
- If single, he is preparing for his future Sacramental Vocation
- He is humble yet confident in his Catholic faith.
- He communicates his faith without pride or arrogance.
- He is a student of Church history.



A CALL TO ACTION

The CTM intends to infuse this mindset into every Parish so that individuals and families can experience divine joy. It will become an underlying theme in every ministry, group, and activity in a Parish. In order for this to happen, men need to understand their Christian responsibility to truly love the women in their lives and become the Spiritual Leaders of their families. That means surrounding themselves with other Christian men who aspire to the same goals.

WE ENVISION...

parents becoming ecstatic when one of their daughters was introduced to a man **infused with CTM's mindset**. Likewise, parents would be enthused if any of their sons were friends with men from this community.

CURRENT MINISTRIES...

MEN'S CROSS TRAINING PRACTICES

Opportunities for men to come together each spring and fall for up to 9 "practices" held regionally. Hear a man give a witness talk about his journey living his call to be man of God. Chat with other men about what you heard with an opportunity to commit to a "call to action" These are short, one hour practices.

MONTHLY SPEAKER EVENTS



We meet on the last Tuesday of each month with doors opening at 6:30 PM, including food and drink. 7:00 PM, program begins.



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The Corpus Christi Center
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HELPING MEN FOLLOW CHRIST



JOIN THE MISSION

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