

Forward

Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego

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Our Mission: To Christianize Environments and Develop Lay Leadership

THE 2004 SECRETARIAT

FROM THE CHAIR

This is an exciting time of year for our Cursillo movement. We are holding our first weekends in almost a year and the preparations are well under way. In addition we just held an Episcopal Cursillo Leaders Workshop in early March. It was truly great to sit back for an entire weekend and review the health of the organization. As the weekend progressed, a number of issues kept rising to the fore. The first was a need to review our weekend schedule. After some discussion, those attending quickly realized that they could not speak for the entire community. Therefore the Servant Community is compiling a list of optional activities and the time that each one takes. After the list is assembled and reviewed by the Secretariat, it will be translated into an easy to answer questionnaire which will be made available to the entire Cursillo community. After the responses are collected and answers correlated, the Servant Community can then make informed recommendations to Secretariat regarding changing our weekend schedule. On one hand, we may find that we can reasonably make no changes to the weekend. On the other, we may find that there is an item or two that can be removed. This could allow for more time for the new Cursillista to process the message, or perhaps more discussion time to share ideas, or perhaps even more time for sleep so that come Sunday they are awake enough to remember the rollos that occur the last day.

So please prayerfully fill out the questionnaire and return it when it becomes available. If we only get a handful of responses and they all indicate that dropping Mañanitas would be a good thing, you may be surprised to find we really do let everybody sleep in on Sunday when you drive up next year.

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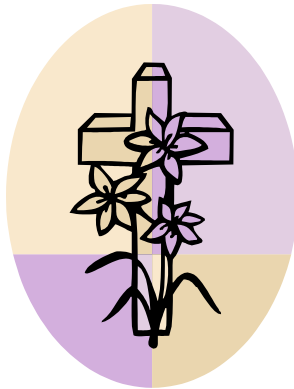
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On a completely different note, the Servant Community made a pitch at the March Secretariat meeting to change the format of the 4th Day program. As they pointed out, the current program does not help the new Cursillista into their 4th Day. Instead it is a time to reminisce about the mountain top experience they just went through. With this in mind, for the next two Cursillos we will be trying out a couple of different formats to take the place of the 4th Day program. The first will be a hybrid of the original program and the "Day of Deeper Understanding" program that was run last year. The fall Cursillo will use the "Day of Deeper Understanding" in lieu of the 4th Day program.

In Christ,

Patrick McBride



Look for the next Forward in mid-June with applications for the Fall Weekends. Articles, calendar events and other materials are due *no later than May 31st.*

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Alleluia! Christ is Risen. The Lord is Risen Indeed. Alleluia!

The above Easter Acclamation and its response says a lot about the Resurrection. Karl Barth once said that the words, "Alleluia, Christ is risen," sums up the whole Gospel in just a few words. The response to the Easter Acclamation, "The Lord is risen, indeed. Alleluia!" is from Apostles who had recognized the risen Christ as he broke bread with them. (Luke 24:34)

To believe in the Resurrection is to believe in the Gospel and to say, "the Lord is risen indeed," is to know for yourself, in your own life, that Jesus is risen. But, let's look more closely at what does it mean to believe that Jesus rose from the dead? To believe in the resurrection of Jesus is to believe in at least these three dimensions of the resurrection.

First and foremost, that Jesus' body and soul did rise from the dead on that first Easter morning. The Resurrection was an objective event that was witnessed by many people and so is an historical fact. History cannot prove that Jesus rose from the dead because history can never prove with absolute certainty any past event, but when a past event has many witnesses, it has a high probability of being a historical fact; with witnesses, there is good reason to believe it happened.

Paul describes the witness of Christ's resurrection in I Corinthians 13:3-8:

"For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me."

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The resurrection witnesses tradition of verses 3-8 goes back to the earliest church and has no historical problems. So to believe in the Resurrection is first and foremost to believe it historically happened, to believe in the objective event of the Resurrection.

Second, to believe that Jesus is risen is to believe that he is alive today because you have encountered His risen presence. Jesus' risen body has ascended to heaven, but the Holy Spirit pours out Jesus' risen presence to all people who are willing to let Jesus into their lives. To believe in the risen presence of Christ is to know that Christ is risen from the dead through your inward experience of Christ.

If you put the objective evidence of the New Testament witnesses together with your subjective experience of the risen Christ, then you have strong attestation of the resurrection and you can see the meaning of the New Testament's descriptions of the resurrection through the Holy Spirit's subjective witness in your soul.

If you know someone both objectively and subjectively, you can know them very well. Jesus has given us both objective witnesses and the spirit's subjective witness, so that we can be sure He rose from the dead and that we can know Him as our best friend.

Third, if Jesus rose from the dead, then we can be resurrected in the future. Jesus' resurrection is a foretaste of what we can look forward to. If we know of Jesus' rose because of objective history and the subjective witness of the spirit, then it is easy to believe that we too can rise from the dead. The resurrection of Jesus becomes our, "sure and certain hope," for eternal life. Jesus' resurrection explains the destiny and meaning of our life.

What does it mean to believe that Jesus is risen? It means that Jesus did rise from the dead 2,000 years ago; it means He is risen in our experience today; it means that through Jesus, we will be given resurrected bodies and eternal life.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! The Lord is Risen, Indeed!

Fr. George

THE WEEKEND CORE TEAM

The Rector/a selection process starts when the Secretariat submits a list of suggested candidates for Rector/a to the Cursillo Diocesan Spiritual Advisor. After prayerful consideration, the Rector/a is appointed. Then leaders for the Cursillo Weekend Team are called by the Rector/a, prayerfully reviewing the gifts each can bring to the planning and execution of the weekend. How does this happen? In true Anglican fashion, it is a very orderly process.

The Rector/a meets with the Cursillo Diocesan Spiritual Director to review and select the Head spiritual Advisor. The Head Spiritual Advisor, in consultation with the Rector/a, calls the remaining clergy members of the team, usually two or three Cursillista clergy willing to set aside the weekend and attend team meetings. The Rector/a in consultation with the Head Spiritual Advisor selects the lay members of the Weekend Core Team. The core team positions are Rector/a, Head Spiritual Advisor, Ex-Rector/a, Assistant Rector/as, Head Musician, Head Cook and Assistant Head Cooks (Camp and Kitchen). The Ex-Rector/a is a member of the Servant Community who acts as a consultant to the Rector/a, attends all core team and regular team meetings, and works on the weekend as part of the Rollo Room Leadership.

Members of the Weekend Core Team are usually Cursillistas who have worked on a minimum of two weekend teams in positions in the kitchen and Rollo Room. The Weekend Core Team is responsible for team selection, rollo assignments, planning team meetings, music, menus, and all other details to assure the new Cursillistas receive the message Our Lord intends for them. Members of a Weekend Core Team have an opportunity to be exposed to virtually all aspects of the Cursillo Weekend, and to see how their areas of responsibility are integrated into the whole Cursillo Weekend experience.

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Normally Cursillistas who have served as Rector/a are not selected for weekend core team positions unless there is a special reason for that selection. There is a reason for this. The Secretariat reviews the names of those who have served on Weekend Core Teams when preparing the short list of candidates for future Rector/as for selection by the Cursillo Diocesan Spiritual Advisor. Since our policy in this Diocese is to ask a person to only serve as Rector/a once, there would be fewer opportunities for others to be considered for the position of Rector/a if the Weekend Core Teams were heavily populated with Ex-Rector/as. However, outside of the Weekend Core Team, Cursillistas who have served as Rector/a are frequent weekend team members, lending their experience in service to the new Cursillistas and team.

Ed Embick

FROM THE RECTORA

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our spring weekends are getting closer and closer, and as you see here in the FORWARD, the Lord has called wonderful teams to do His work. Everyone is so enthusiastic, and team meetings have been such a joy. Truly the Holy Spirit is a living presence with us. Also, your Palanca of prayer holds us up when we get tired or feel a little overwhelmed and is so very much appreciated.

As Palanca chair for the Secretariat, I would like to remind you to get your Palanca for the men's weekend to Camp Stevens no later than Thursday evening, April 15th, and for the women's weekend, Thursday, April 22nd.

Don't forget to separate team from candidates, and if you are doing Palanca by name, please alphabetize (by last name - don't laugh - it has happened by first name). Thanks.

It would be wonderful to see you for Mañanitas or Clausura on Sunday so that you will be able to greet our new Cursillistas in person.

In His love and service,

Judy Potter
Rectora, Cursillo #110

Candidates - Three-Day Weekend #109

Bond, James
Bywater, Jim
DeVere, Michael
Eddinfield, Larry
Elder, Steve
John, Jim
Mah, Rndy
McDaniel, Carl
Murphy, Michael
Pratt, Maurice
Sadler, Jay
Stiffler, Darwin
Zettinger, Bill

Candidates - Three-Day Weekend #110

Eddinfield, Barbara
Grell, Ruth
Gross, Susan
Hartung, Margaret (Peggy)
Hendrickson, Jennifer (Jenny)
Hightower-Torres, Sharon
Kircher, Harriet
Larkin, Molly
Leitner, Karen
Mah, Mary
Martin, Molly
McDaniel, Mary
Miller, Susan
Murphy, Tina
Norton, Jacqueline (Jaci)
Stiffler, Susan
Weatherwax, Marion
Whitlow, Terry
Zettinger, Nina

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MEN'S TEAM #109

Acton	Fr. Josh	Spiritual Director
Albuerne	Louis	Cocinero/Asst. Kitchen Musician
Baron	Fr. Tony	Asst. Spiritual Director
Bogue	Russ	Table Leader
Brown	Scott	AHC Camp
Butts	David	Cocinero
Casalegno	Pete	Table Leader/Leaders Rollo
Dannenberger	Andy	Cocinero
Davis	Kent	Table Leader/Grouping Rollo
Drake	Sam	Cocinero/Medic
Duffey	Tom	Table Leader/Action Rollo
Embick	Ed	Head Cook
Filer	Gary	Table Leader/Study Rollo
Foster	Jim	Palanca
Glosson	Butch	Cocinero
Gross	Elyer	AHC Kitchen
Guyer	Glenn	Cocinero
Hay	Ron	Cocinero
Hiebert	Wayne	Team Leader
Hooppell	Ed	Table Leader
King	John	Sacristan
Kronberg	Curt	Cocinero
Lawrence	Bob	Table Leader
Martin	Fr. Russell	Asst Spiritual Director
McBride	Patrick	Table Leader
Menees	Fr. Eric	Kitchen Clergy
Mette	Dick	Exp. Rector/Piety Rollo
Murphy	Perry	Team Leader
Noble	Craig	Team Leader
Noble	Paul	Cocinero
Norcott	Tim	Table Leader/Laity Rollo
Orta	Frank	Table Leader/CC in Action Rollo
Parsons	Ted	Table Leader
Perkins	Laurent	Asst. Rector/Environment Rollo
Pickard	Paul	Cocinero
Rice	Ken	Cocinero
Robbins	Cyrus	Rector/Ultreya Rollo
Schneider	Chip	Asst. Rector/Ideal Rollo
Slipper	Tom	Team Leader
Stubbs	Ed	Head Musician
Taylor	Clint	Kitchen Musician
Taylor	Neil	Cocinero/Asst. Kitchen
Thould	Stephen	Table Leader
Tseng	Winston	Cocinero
Salvadori	Larry	Critique Coordinator
Wiser	John	Head Sunday Angel

WOMEN'S TEAM #110

Alexander, Theresa	Cocinera
Allred, Mary	Kitchen Team Leader
Barkley, Maureen	Cocinera
Barnard, Mariana	Palanca
Baron, Bobbi	Table Leader/ Ideal
Blaisdell, Diane	KTL
Bloomer, Betty	Cocinera
Bogue, Nancy	Cocinera
Brown, Mary	TL/Grouping
Casalegno, Jill	TL
Craig, Sharon	Cocinera
Cockett, Colleen	Cocinera
Crofoot, Victoria	Asst Rectora/Environ
Drivas, Amy	TL
Duffey, Gail	Camp cook
Embick, Sue	Palanca
Foster, Desi	TL/Chist.Com. in act.
Fowle, Connie	Advising Rectora
Gerhardt, Sue	Cocinera
Goodwin, Allyson	Cocinera
Hamilton, Debbie	Shed/Asst. Sacristan
Hiller, Mary Beth	TL
Hooppell, Pat	KTL
Hunsaker, Jo	Cocinera
Jordan, Lauree	Head Musician
King, Beverly	TL
King, Marji	TL/Piety
Kroeger, Fr Don	Spiritual Advisor
Lenti, Sarah	Cocinera
Libby, Dolly	Cocinera
Longworth, Florence	Asst Cook Kitchen
Mills, Lynda	TL
Norcott, Tami	TL/Laity
Orta, Petra	Sacristan
Parsons, Pat	Musician
Perkins, Joan	Asst. Rectora
Philips, Fr. Tom.	Kitchen Clergy
Pickard, Lisa	Cocinera
Pierce, Eileen	TL/Study
Potter, Judy	Rectora/Ultreya
Putnam, Evelyn	Kithchen Cook
Renner, Dc. Dee	Spiritual Advisor
Renner, Fr. Ed	Spiritual Director
Risser, Sheila	KTL
Rush, Linda	TL
Salvadori, Jeanne	Nurse
Sapper, Jane	Cocinera
Shelly, Jeanette	Head Cook
Sunda, Pat	TL/Action
Theiss, Barbara	Cocinera
Weaver, Kathrine	Cocinera
Wiser, Anne	TL/Leaders
Wood, Kathleen	Musician
Bogue, Nancy	From 4/1/04

SATURDAY, MAY 1ST

THE 4TH DAY...GATHERING AFTER THE SPRING WEEKENDS!

All new Cursillistas, team members, AND sponsors are gathering for the beginning of our 4th Day—the rest of our lives. In addition, other Cursillo community members will join us. As a new Cursillista, you and your sponsors said you would attend this meeting.

We'll all meet at St. Timothy's parish in Rancho Peñasquitos at 2:30 on Saturday, May 1st. Babysitting is provided. Directions follow this article. The day begins with PRAYER. We will learn more about Cursillo and ask questions...and get answers! No rollos!, but MUSIC! Here is your opportunity to begin GROUPING if you are not already. Also, you will have a chance to hear about SPONSORSHIP. You may already be thinking of someone you would like to attend a Three-Day Weekend and begin their 4th Day. However, you will have questions about how to sponsor someone. We'll hear about the FOURTH DAY — the rest of our lives.

Other discussions will involve how the community pays for the weekend and how you can help. Some of our community leaders oversee our movement as part of the Secretariat. Still other leaders are active in our SERVANT COMMUNITY. Remember that we are called to be servant leaders. You will learn who these folks are and how they serve us. You will learn some ways you can serve the community and others too. You can ask more questions. After our grouping with other Cursillistas, we will break about 5:30 for a pot luck dinner.



Then an ULTREYA will start at 7:00. Babysitting will be provided. This Ultreya is a gathering of the weekly group reunions. This will be the first chance for many to meet more members of our Cursillo community. We call this one a Grand Ultreya because it is held twice a year for all those from Sun City in Riverside County to the East County and Yuma, down to San Ysidro. You will hear a witness for several minutes about what this person is doing in APOSTOLIC ACTION. Then another Cursillista will share how this witness is helpful. Finally, a clergy member will give the clergy response, tying in the apostolic action to scripture.



That is not all! We also will have MUSIC, announcements, and an opportunity to take home Cursillo materials. Finally, you will learn who the next Rector and Rectora will be for the fall Three-Day Weekends. We plan to end by 8:30.

Come and see! DIRECTIONS. This special meeting is near Poway. From north or south, take Interstate 15 to the Poway/Rancho Peñasquitos exit. Turn west (on Rancho Peñasquitos Boulevard) and drive for about five traffic lights. Then, turn right on Azuaga Avenue (BEFORE Highway 56 Ted Williams Parkway). Drive up a small hill until you see St. Timothy's on your right (10125 Azuaga). There are two parking lots at St. Tim's. You turn right into one before the church buildings, or you turn right into the other after the buildings. The sanctuary and the parish hall are between the two parking lots. We will be greeted by our St. Timothy hosts for the day.

See you soon!

Ted Parsons and Frank Durham
Co-chairs of the 4th Day
San Diego Cursillo Secretariat

SATURDAY, JUNE 19TH

A DAY OF DEEPER UNDERSTANDING LIVING YOUR FOURTH DAY

Cursillistas live in the Fourth Day, which means,
"The rest of your life!"

LIVING YOUR FOURTH DAY is focused on giving you a deeper understanding of your Christian responsibility to go forth and proclaim the Gospel.

LIVING YOUR FOURTH DAY is intended to strengthen your commitment, "Here am I, Send me."

LIVING YOUR FOURTH DAY is designed to give you a comprehensive understanding of the totality of the Cursillo Movement. The intent is to strengthen leaders who will be faithful to Christ's calling in their Fourth Day.

LIVING YOUR FOURTH DAY is for new Cursillistas as well as experienced Cursillistas.

LIVING YOUR FOURTH DAY will take place at **Good Samaritan Episcopal Church on June 19 from 9am to 3pm**. Come and enjoy the time together. An experienced workshop team will lead you through the day. Each talk is followed by table discussions. There will be a question and answer time, music, and lunch. You will leave the day refreshed and with a renewed sense of purpose in living out the Fourth Day Cursillo teaching,

"Make a Friend - Be a Friend – Bring your Friend to Christ."

We look forward to spending the day with you.

Co-Chairs: Denny Walters and Ann Packard

[See application on page 8]

**A DAY OF DEEPER UNDERSTANDING
LIVING YOUR FOURTH DAY**
“The rest of your life!”

WHEN is it? Saturday, June 19, 2004

WHERE is it? Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, 9AM – 3PM
4321 Eastgate Mall, San Diego, 92121. (858-458-1501)

WHAT is it?

“A Day of Deeper Understanding” is a workshop designed to give you a comprehensive understanding of the Cursillo Movement. The intent is to strengthen leaders who will be faithful to Christ’s calling in their Fourth Day.

WHAT does it cost?

Lunch and materials provided for \$10.00 per person. Some scholarships are available.

Make checks payable to: Cursillos in Christianity with “A Day of Deeper Understanding” on the memo line. Bring your **National Episcopal Cursillo Library** if you have one. Childcare will be provided.

Please send the application and check to:

Denny Walters
546 E 6th AVE.
ESCONDIDO, CA 92025-4321
PH: 760-432-8518

Name/s _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Parish _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

LIMITED SPACE FOR FORTY (40) CURSILLISTAS!

The Application for “A Day of Deeper Understanding” is also available on the web site
www.sdcursillo.org

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

APRIL

11 “Alleluia, the Lord is Risen!”

15-18 Men's Weekend #109

22-25 Women's Weekend #110

29-May 1 Happening. Contact Fr. Martin,
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7-9 Vocare. Contact Heidi Knesler
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