



FORWARD



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Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego

Our Mission Is To Christianize Environments and Develop Lay Leadership

From The Chair

I first heard of the Servant Community a couple of weeks after I made my Cursillo in 2004. It was YEARS before I attended one of the quarterly meetings, or had more than a vague idea of how it fit into the Cursillo Movement. It wasn't until I volunteered to be secretary and started attending meetings that I started to understand it's function and importance; and just recently, in preparing for my year as Chair, the Who, What, Why and How of the Servant Community. I want to touch on just one aspect right now.

Who is The Servant Community?

Secretariat Members—The governing body of the Cursillo Organization is a group of clergy and lay persons who guide the Cursillo movement in the San Diego Diocese. Most are elected for a three year term. Some have been appointed by the Bishop, and some, for example, our current secretary and treasurer, participate in the meetings but do not have a vote, since they are not elected. The community elects new members at the Grand Ultreya after each Fall Weekend. The members meet once a month, and depending on the assignments and committees of each they would often have tasks to accomplish before the next meeting.

Sponsors—Yes, you are also part of The Servant Community. You've prayed for your candidate, sponsored them financially, and mentored them as new Cursillistas. You made sure they got to the mountain and back, to the Day of Deeper Understanding, and to the Ultreyas. Many of you have included them in your Group Reunions, or made sure that they have a group they feel part of.

Team and Leaders Serving on a Weekend—Twice a year, Spring and Fall, approximately 50 people set aside three to four Saturday mornings for training and team formation and a four day weekend at Camp Stevens to introduce 30 to 35 people to Cursillo and all that goes with the experience.

Committee Members Serving the Community—Some of you are aware of the chart which organizes in detail the four general committees the Secretariat is responsible for: Pre-Cursillo; 3-Day Weekend; 4th Day; and Communications.

Each of these four categories are headed by a Chair, a Vice-Chair and a Clergy person. Each team is then responsible for the more specific committees which fall under their category. I won't list all 25 or so here, but as you can imagine, many are bite-sized responsibilities at that level, and all are vitally important.



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How Does God Change Us?

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind,” *Romans 12:2*

These words, written by the Apostle Paul to the church in Rome, are one of the greatest passages in scripture. They contain the wisdom and grace of God, the wisdom and grace that we need to change us. We should humbly come to these words expecting God to act inside us, transforming every aspect of our lives.

As the Prayer Book says about all of Scripture, with these words we need “to hear, mark, learn, and inwardly digest” them. We need to digest these words inwardly until they become a part of us. As these words become a part of us, God will transform us.

In this scripture passage, it is clear that the only way to change our lives is to change our thinking. God tells us, “Be transformed by the renewing of your mind.” Real transformation must be from the inside out, and must begin with the “renewal of our minds.” New thinking is the beginning of new actions. In order to let God act in our lives, we must let God’s Word change our thinking. This is why it is so important to read the Bible and ask ourselves, “what is God trying to say to me through this scripture passage?” God’s Word needs to be inwardly digested for transformation to happen.

Your friend in Christ, Father George



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Those Who Attend a Servant Community Meeting—In March, June, October, and December, those present often participate in problem solving, providing valuable recommendations for improving the quality and efficacy of our Cursillo organization. This is a time for learning more about the Cursillo Method as well. I’m convinced that to maintain a vibrant Cursillo Movement we must have a vibrant Servant Community.

If someone offered you a job doing something you not only love and are good at, at a forward thinking organization, working with great people who share a common goal of bettering other’s lives, while serving Jesus, would you want to find out more?

Further on in the newsletter, you will see a list of some of the skills and interests that lend themselves to serving Christ and others through the Servant Community. I ask that you think about your skills and resources, and prayerfully consider becoming part of the Servant Community in our Diocese.

Blessings In Christ, Susan Miller

CALENDARS

April 2014

April 3, 2014 ~ Thursday ~ 6:30 pm
Secretariat, St. Dunstan's ~ POC Susan Miller

April 20, 2014 ~ Sunday ~ Easter

April 24 ~ 27, 2014 ~ Thursday ~ Sunday
Cursillo #134, Camp Stevens
Rectora, Judy Brown

April 27, 2014 ~ Sunday ~ 4:00 pm
Clausura at Camp Stevens

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May 2014



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May 1, 2014 ~ Thursday ~ 6:30 pm
Secretariat, St. Phillips, POC: Susan Miller

May 10, 2014 ~ Saturday ~ 8:30 am—3:00 pm
DODU, Location, TBA ~ POC, TBA

May 24, 2014 ~ Saturday ~ 6:00 pm
Grand Ultreya, Location, St. David's ~
POC, 4th Day Chairs

May 27, 2014 ~ Tuesday ~ COB
Forward Articles due, POC, Sharon VB



June 14, 2014 ~ Saturday ~ 8:30 am
“Meet Your Secretariat” Servant Community, St.
Dunstan's

June 14, 2014 ~ Saturday ~ 12:30 pm
Secretari- at, St. Dunstan's
~ POC: Susan Miller



June 2014

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2014 SECRETARIAT MEMBERS

Name	E-Mail	Function	Term Expired
Susan Miller	millersv@sbcglobal.net	2014 Chair	'14
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Judy Brown	jbrown3944@aol.com	Secretary	
Ed Embick	sueanded@san.rr.com	Communications Chair	'14
Open	Open	Communications Vice Chair	'15
Laurie Mumford	the guitar girl@att.net	3 day Weekend Chair	'16
Karen Rice	ktkrice@att.net	Pre-Cursillo Chair	'15
Ruben Rodriguez	rodriguez_ruben@msn.com	4th Day Vice Chair	'16
Larry Salvadori	lasalvadori@yahoo.com	2015 Chair Elect Servant Community Convener	'15
Mercedes Webber	joylwolf@gmail.com	3 Day Weekend Vice Chair	'16
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Bruce Wier	ruthandbruce02@att.net	Hispanic Community Lay Representative	Apnt'd '06
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Rev. Babs Meairs	edwbus@hotmail.com	Asst. Spiritual Advisor	'14
Open	Open	Asst. Spiritual Advisor	'15
Rev. Carlos Garcia	carlangas1986@cs.com	Hispanic Community Spiritual Advisor NEC Representative	Apnt'd '06

Please let Ed Embick at sueanded@san.rr.com know if you have a change to your email or address. Please let Sharon know at jimsharon157@verizon.net if you would like to have an article or news item inserted into the Forward. If you would like to know more about the Servant Community work contact Larry at lalvadori@yahoo.com

If you enjoy

- ◇ Art and Design
- ◇ Blogging
- ◇ Bookkeeping
- ◇ Brainstorming
- ◇ Cooking
- ◇ Coordinating Prayer Requests
- ◇ Data Entry
- ◇ Editing
- ◇ Event Planning
- ◇ Fundraising
- ◇ Giving
- ◇ Hosting parties and potlucks
- ◇ Keeping Records
- ◇ Leading Discussions
- ◇ Making Palanca
- ◇ Mentoring
- ◇ Organizing
- ◇ Praying
- ◇ Playing a musical instrument
- ◇ Problem Solving
- ◇ Public Speaking
- ◇ Publishing
- ◇ Researching
- ◇ Running a Meeting
- ◇ Serving on a Governing Board
- ◇ Singing
- ◇ Social Media
- ◇ Solving Problems
- ◇ Taking Notes
- ◇ Taking someone to lunch
- ◇ Teaching
- ◇ Technology
- ◇ Translating
- ◇ Travelling
- ◇ Washing Pots and Pans
- ◇ Working Behind the Scenes
- ◇ Writing

..... Then talk to a Secretariat member for how to match up your talent to what's happening at the Servant Community. Please join us at the next meeting on Saturday, June 14, 8:30-12:00 at St. Dunstan's.

Cursillo 134 Team

Norma Aguirre	Rosaura Medina
Roberto Araujo	Jan Martin
Christina Borges	Babs Meairs
Judy Brown - Rector	Susan Miller
Fr. Ed Busch	Glenn Parrish
Rev. Michael Carr	Barbara Peralta
Pete Casalegno	Darryl Peralta
Miguel Cosio	Eileen Pierce
Leslie Cosio	Rick Platt
Dora Gamboa	Ken Rice
Jose "Joe" Gamboa	Karen Rice
Carlos Garcia	Neil Riley
Gustavo Garcia	Ruben Rodriguez
Humberto Garcia	Ginny Rodriguez
Juan Garcia	Lynn Sarnecki
Gary Gentry	Judie Selman
Sue Gentry	Joe Selman
Butch Glosson	Elaine Taillac
Ron Goodman	Rochelle Thompson
Mimi Goodman	Alex Tuttle
Elery Gross	Xochitl Valenzuela
Rom Ituarte	Mercedes Webber
Kathy Jackson	Shirley Wilder
Sue Kelly	Jamie Wood

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MAY 24 GRAND ULTREYA AT ST. DAVID'S

Our witness speaker will be Stew Dadmun and the echo will be Amanda Rines, talks I heard at the Ultreya at St. Paul's on Feb. 19. I was so impressed with their sharing that I asked them to do it again for a larger audience (I was the only person present who did not belong to St. Paul's). The Grand Ultreyas are always thrilling experiences—new Cursillistas full of joy from their weekend energize all of us with their enthusiasm. We have been starting all evening Ultreyas with potluck at 5:00 pm and Ultreyas at 6:00 pm; this gets all of us home earlier in preparation for Sunday services. If you'd like to host an Ultreya at your church, just give me a call at 619-286-1208 or e-mail me at jmanderson38@sbcglobal.net.

Judy Anderson,

Ultreya Coordinator



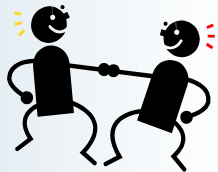
Spring Cursillo #134
Candidates

Women

Gretchen Alspach
Claire Brooks
Magenta Chantiloup
Diane Covell
My Fenten
Lourdes Garcia
Jessica Gass
Shelly Gregory
Shannon Henderson
Maria Houchin
Debbie Kistler
Louise Lawson
Patricia Laybourn
Mary Manesis
Elsie Mills
Marinita Phillips
Wendy Quinn
Meg Sterns
Janet Tillson
Eleanore Timon
Margarita Villa
Jenifer Whaley

Men

Angel Duarte
Ernesto Duarte
Michael Frank
Jose Carl Godinez
Luis Ituarte
Blair Lawson
Andrew Long
Marco Luna
Mike McCormick
Gary Mowen
Ryan Sifton
Andrew Waters
Matt Wilder



INCREDIBLE MEATLESS MEATLOAF for 8

Lightly greased flat casserole ~ Bake @ 350 for one hour and 15 minutes to crisp.

Ingredients:

1 Quart regular cottage cheese ~ 1/3 cup oil ~
1/2 chopped walnuts ~ 1 chopped onion ~
3 envelopes "Washington Golden Seasoning & Broth"* ~
4 cups Special K Cereal ~
* substitute with favorite seasoning and broth mix if
"Washington's" can't be found.

ULTREYAS

On March 22 we had an Ultreya at Christ Church in Coronado. Even though it was a team meeting date at St. Alban's and two 90th birthday parties at Christ Church, we had a good turnout of Cursillistas. Karen Rice shared her Christian Comic-Con experiences and Barbara Peralta told about the answers to the prayers of her and her daughter. I'm looking forward to hearing what ultimately happened in their prayers for a new home for her daughter's family.

RECTORA #134

DeColores,

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me." John 14:1. This is the theme for the Spring weekend. The weekend is April 24-27, 2014.

As I write this we are 2 1/2 weeks away from the weekend. We've had all our team meetings and we are prayerfully looking toward the weekend and doing the last minute adjustments (and we know God has plans we don't even know about). We are already seeing God work through candidates & team members.

It looks like we have 33 candidates, so we have a full house. Thanks Be to God. I know we could use a few more Weekend/Sunday angels if anyone feels called to that ministry for His weekend.

Please keep the team and all the new cursillistas in your prayers for this weekend.

You can reach me at jbrown3944@aol.com or on my cell, 619-925-0173 if you have any questions. I am excited about what God has planned for this weekend and who all will be there to experience and those who will be on the team.

In His Service, Ultreya,

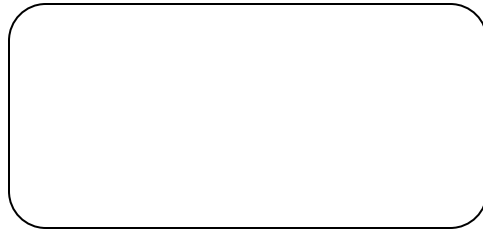
Judy Brown



Cursillos in Christianity

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Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
"Whom shall I send? And *who will go for us?*"
And I said, "Here am I, Send me!" ISA 6:8

