

FEBRUARY 2022



# Cursillo *forward*

Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego  
Our Mission is to Christianize Environments and Develop Lay Leadership  
Please visit our Cursillo website for more information at [www.sdcursillo.org](http://www.sdcursillo.org)

## ***A MESSAGE FROM THE CURSILLO PRESIDENT***

Happy New Year and De Colores my brothers and sisters in Christ!

It's a new year and a great reason to start fresh in all things good. Let me be first start by saying thank you. Thank you for the opportunity to serve my Lord thru this community. This is an opportunity to bring people closer to Christ. A deeper understanding of what God is really calling us to do. I believe we all have our turn to serve and yet we miss the true opportunity to reach out to others in the capacity to serve. Who, when, and where can we serve our community? I truly believe we all have a story to tell. Everyone's personal testimony as only can be told thru your eyes. It can be shared in this community with a common goal. God, Family and Lifestyle or country. No matter what corner of the world you come from, we all blessed to share the same goal in the Cursillo community. Our mission in the Cursillo movement is to make a friend, be a friend, and bring a friend to Christ. We are on this earth but for a short time, our mark to serve should be the reason Christians unite or come together with that common goal.



Remember, a friend is someone you haven't met yet.

This year as a Community, we should prepare ourselves for meeting more people. Be ready to respond to a call to serve. Step outside that comfort zone in order to meet that new friend. We have many opportunities to share Christ's love and it all begins with you. Speaking of YOU... Are you ready to serve? The secretariat is one place that can help you see the bigger picture of our community. You can bring a different perspective to the table and ideas to make others experience a great Cursillo weekend. If you want to make a difference in the movement, this is

a great place to start. We can always use the great diversity in the community. Playing a musical instrument is always a welcomed talent.

Our next Cursillo in the spring has already begun to take shape. Our rector will be Mike Jewett from St. Bartholomew in Poway. We look forward to supporting his weekend with great anticipation. The team is an important part of making the weekend a success. If you feel the call to serve, become a core team member. Assist in the core team planning, attend the meetings that help you to encourage others to attend, to train to be a better you. Share your experiences on how God has shown you the way. Make a difference as a Rollista. Anyone can share and grow in the Spirit. Don't be shy! We are all family here.

By the way, how is your Grouping Life? Did you attend a Cursillo only to have it end there? Did you know there is a Grouping Central Team? It is designed to help you continue your journey with people who would love to help you with your daily walk with Christ. People who can pray with you, people who care about what you have to say. There is always time to get together with people who understand you. In this day and age, a video call/Zoom meeting is just as good as a get together. Finding a Group should be a goal for ALL Cursillistas this year. Sharing with others makes a difference in your life. The Light of Christ is in all of us, some shine brighter than others. How bright does your Light shine? Bring your Light to the party! Get together with others and see how your life changes. If you are ready to make changes to the routine in your life, now is the time to reach out to others and ask, "When is your Group time? Where do you meet? Can I join your Group?" If you have time for the internet, you have time for Grouping!

And speaking of time... As Cursillistas, we should know the calendar is always being updated on the website. Take time to add to your schedule the Ultreyas and Grand Ultreyas that are refreshing times to get together. Make time to prioritize these meeting dates to keep up with the movement and prepare for the upcoming events and team meetings.

Commitment is an important aspect of our movement. We must prepare ourselves in order to make our movement strong.

Thank You for taking the time to read my Forward.

De Colores!-

Sunny Landry, Cursillo President 2022

## ***A MESSAGE FROM THE CURSILLO SPIRITUAL ADVISOR***

### **What kind of time are *you* living in?**

When New Year begins, we think of time. We think of the past year and the new year. At this time of transition, the idea of New Year's resolutions comes to mind. What would we like to change? What changes will help us? Time is always changing. The question is: What kind of changes do we want to have happen in the time that is given to us?

Paul Tillich (1886-1965), the great twentieth century theologian talked about time and how to make the most of it. He pointed out that in the Bible there are two types of time: the first type of time is *Chronos*, which refers to quantitative time. The second type of time is *Kairos*, which refers to qualitative time. The Chronos time measures units of time, such as, five minutes, half an hour; it tells us the quantity of time that is passing before us. It is a time that is, in some sense, empty. It does not have any particular quality about it. On the other hand, Kairos is quality time, a moment full of a wonderful opportunity. Kairos time is intrinsically qualitative and implies a consciousness of the quality that appears before us. Kairos time asks for a decision and action upon the opportunity that suddenly presents itself. Kairos time bursts into Chronos time and disrupts our schedule and plans. When Kairos time intervenes, the truth arrives and we see ourselves, the world, and our relationship with God in a new way. It is in moments of Kairos time that God comes to us.

In the Old Testament, we can see Kairos time in Isaiah 49:8, "Thus says the Lord, in a time of favor I have answered you, on a day of salvation I have helped you. . ." God is bursting into the Chronos time of Isaiah and the people of Israel. He is creating a moment of Kairos time when his favor will be poured out in answer to their questions. His salvation comes as a moment of Kairos time. It's the Jewish people's decision whether or not they will respond in the appropriate way to this moment of Kairos time. In the New Testament the word Kairos is used eighty-six times. Jesus refers to the Kingdom of God being at hand. What he is saying is that a moment of Kairos time has arrived. At this moment, you have an opportunity to reach out and grab God's Kingdom. Take this opportunity!

I asked at the beginning of this article, "What kind of changes would you like to make during the time that is given to us?" I think in this New Year we need to be more aware of Kairos moments that burst into our lives and respond to those in a faithful way. God is always providing us opportunities to grab hold of his kingdom. It could be a moment in a sermon. It could be a moment in a Bible study. It could a moment in a prayer time. It could be an unexpected comment by a friend. It's our job to look for Kairos moments. God acts in these moments and transforms us.

Paul Tillich points out the greatest Kairos moment, which is the center for all history, is Jesus Christ come among us. God's Kairos moments are not just personal moments but are moments that transform the entire sweep of history. It is interesting to note that the Bible begins with the Kairos moment of "In the beginning," and ends with Kairos time in Revelation 22:20 "Yes, I am coming soon. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus."

Your friend in Christ,

Father George

zoom

The San Diego Episcopal Cursillo Ministry Secretariat announces the third Cursillo Zoom Grouping Sunday, March 6, 2022 for registered members of the ministry and requested friends. If you have attended a Cursillo Weekend at Camp Stevens, or the Pine Valley Bible Camp, you already are a registered member in the Cursillo Database. Open Cursillo Grouping is available for all members, and friends, who are not already Grouping, and for those who are currently Grouping, to add another Grouping format to your Fourth Day activities. The Zoom Invitation with access number to Zoom Grouping requires you to send an Email to Grouping Central, Craig Noble, [craignoble@cox.net](mailto:craignoble@cox.net), with contact information.

### **Cursillo Zoom Grouping Format**

**WHEN:** The first Sunday of every month starting January 2, 2022.

**WHAT TIME:** The Zoom Session will open at 3:45 PM and have some informal fellowship while attendees to get connected via Zoom. We will start the Meeting Session at 4:00 PM with the Zoom Host welcome comment and brief Cursillo News. Then we will go into small groups of 4 – 5 people (Breakout Rooms) to share their Piety, Study and Apostolic Action since the last time they grouped. The time limit will be about 40 minutes for all to share then return to the main meeting. Final comments from the Zoom host and should end meeting between 4:45 and 5:00PM.

**Host:** Grouping Central will provide the Host.

**START:** The Host will start the meeting, and give Instructions followed by the creation of small grouping rooms.

**GROUPING:** Any member can start the Grouping with the Prayer to the Holy Spirit and follow the Grouping Card format. The Host will visit the rooms periodically. It's okay to pass when it's your turn to share. The Zoom invitation with access code, and electronic Grouping Card will be sent to each attendee before the session starts. The host will keep track of the Grouping time.

**CLOSING:** Announcements, Requested Prayers\* Next meeting date.

THE LORDS PRAYER(ALL)

**IF YOU'RE NOT CURRENTLY GROUPING, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO GROUPING CENTRAL, CRAIG NOBLE, WITH NAME, CHURCH, AND TELEPHONE NO. FOR ASSISTANCE, AND JOIN IN THE THIRD ZOOM GROUPING MARCH 6, 2022.**



## ***FOURTH DAY NEWS/ACTIVITIES***

### ***PARISH REPS.***

With the new year ahead, starting with a season of hope and anticipation, Cursillo also, is looking forward to a new year. and we are looking with excitement and anticipation to Cursillo Weekend #147 on April 28- May 1.

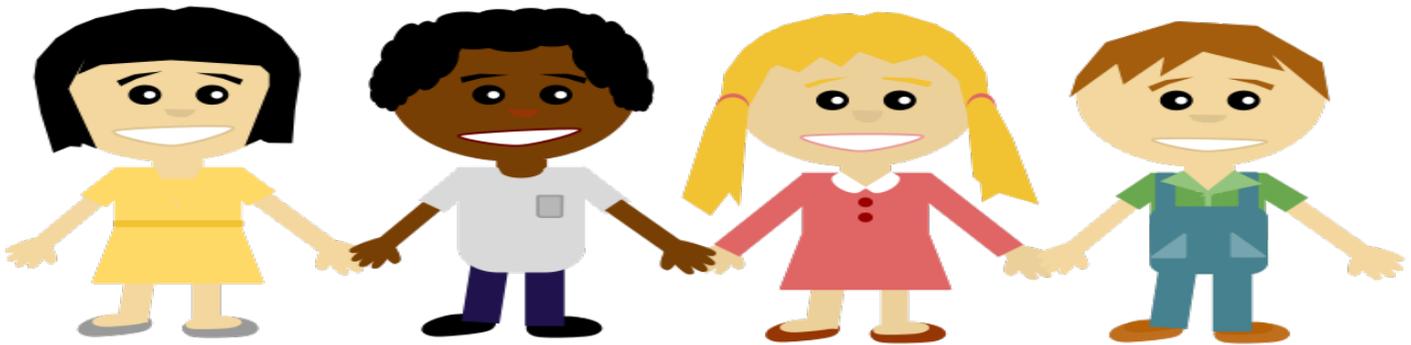
The Cursillo ministry has, as a vital support, the parish representatives. These giving people are the primary contacts for the cursillistas at each parish. I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to these people, for their work and support.

Some parishes don't have a parish representative. If you are don't know who your parish rep is, please contact me, or check out the parish rep list at [sdcursillo.org](http://sdcursillo.org). If your church doesn't have one, please consider accepting that role. If you want to know what a parish rep does, give me a call and I would be happy to answer your questions.

Kit Chevalier  
Parish Rep Coordinator  
858-382-8332  
[Kmsopsinger@yahoo.com](mailto:Kmsopsinger@yahoo.com)

## Make a friend—Be a friend--- Be a Sponsor!

- April 28 – May 1: Cursillo Spring Weekend at Pine Valley. Sponsor your new, or old friend, or best friend. If you haven't already started, **START NOW!**  
**Make a Friend, Be a Friend. It's Easy!**



**THEN, SPONSOR YOUR FRIEND TO CURSILLO WEEKEND #147. APPLICATIONS ON  
CURSILLO WEBSITE: [sdcursillo.org](http://sdcursillo.org)**

### ***PRE-CURSILLO NEWS***

Officially, I have **1, O-N-E, uno** new application in my hands at this writing. The last day to get your candidate and sponsor applications in is March 28 for Cursillo 147 on April 28. Please mail or scan and email to the address on the application. Photos of applications are not acceptable, except as a temporary placeholder. Photos require a lot of handling and time to get them into a readable format. If you must text, please follow up with the hard copy by mail as soon as possible. (It never hurts to keep a copy for yourself.)

Anyone whose application is more than a year old (there are a few of these because of the cancelled weekends) is asked to fill out a new application with current information. If candidates confirmed but couldn't attend last fall, we will be contacting their sponsors soon about their intentions for Spring. Sponsors, look in your inbox for a reminder!

Now that I've gotten all the bad news out of the way, let's look forward to and pray for a boatload of candidates (25-30) for the Spring Weekend!

*Susan Miller for the Pre-Cursillo Committee*

## ***A Word from the Webmaster***

The quote box to the right is a snippet from a section of the new website called “Come to Cursillo” specifically for those who may be thinking about attending a weekend or who are not familiar with Cursillo. I asked a few people to give me in a sentence or two about what was important to them about their Cursillo weekend. I am really excited about the responses I received.

### **You Can Help**

- Write a sentence
- Write your story
- Record a video message

Our new website is nearly ready to launch. Please help me make the website an interesting place for its visitors.

### **Here’s How:**

Short and Sweet - If you would like to share a sentence or two, like those above, here are some ideas to get you started:

- Tell about what your Cursillo Weekend meant to you.
- Tell about what Cursillo means to you day to day.
- What changes did you see in your life after you attended a weekend?
- How has your ongoing involvement in Cursillo helped you?
- How has Cursillo helped you help others?
- Why would you recommend that someone attend a Cursillo weekend?
- What are you doing for God that was prompted or inspired by attending Cursillo?
- Tell us about an action you became involved with or started after attending at Cursillo?

For the Storyteller - Want to write more than a sentence or two? The section “Tell Your Story” will be just for that. The prompts above are a place to start. Or, if you have a ministry, outreach, or action you want to write about, (what you are doing for God) send it to me. You just might see it in the section, “God’s Love in Action.”

### reflections from the weekend

"Being a part of this community helped me see what being a true servant for the Lord has done in my life." – Sunny L.

"Cursillo has revitalized my faith and given Divine direction to my walk with Christ. I love Jesus and being useful to him and his children. Cursillo has shown me a path to be a whole and complete Christian. It has given me clear cut daily direction so I can be a disciple of Christ." – Michael J.

"I've never felt so loved." – Kit C.

"On my weekend, God and Jesus took the long journey from my head to my heart, and changed my life forever." – Larry S.

Record Your Story – Would you rather talk than type? Send in audio or video of your story.

Please email your written or recorded contributions to me at [miller.sv@mailbox.org](mailto:miller.sv@mailbox.org). Do you have any photos to share? They need not only be from Cursillo events (photos of God’s creation and creatures accepted, too) and I am grateful for any photos you share. – *Susan Miller*

## **BACK TO THE MOUNTAIN( BTTM 2022) REPORT**

*HERE IS OUR REPORT CARD FROM BTTM 2022. PICS ON LAST PAGE.*

<i>We PROMISED</i>	<i>Y/N</i>	<i>GRADE</i>	<i>We PROMISED</i>	<i>Y/N</i>	<i>GRADE</i>
<i>FUN, HAPPY, SMILES</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>	<i>BEAUTIFUL CAMP</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>
<i>SINGING</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>	<i>GOOD AND PLENTY FOOD</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>
<i>GREAT MUSIC</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>	<i>MOVIE- FUNNY,CLASSIC</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>
<i>LAUGHTER</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>	<i>THEME TALKS</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>
<i>ACTIVITIES-500 PC. PUZ.</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>	<i>THEME DISCUSSIONS</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>
<i>WORSHIP</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>	<i>FELLOWSHIP</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>
<i>FREE TIME</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>	<i>FRIENDSHIPS</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>A+</i>

We believe this says it all! See you next year for BTTM 2023. Kit, Judy, and Larry

## **Cusillo Events Calendar**

<b>February 2022</b>	More Information Click <a href="#">Link</a>	Directions Click <a href="#">Link</a>	Click <a href="#">Link</a> to e-mail POC	<a href="#">Return to top</a>
<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>POC</b>	<b>Time/Day</b>
Feb-05-22	Secretariat Retreat	Home of Cursillista	<a href="#">Sunny Landry</a>	9:30 AM-3:00 PM
Feb-06-22	Group by Zoom	Online	<a href="#">Craig Noble</a>	4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Feb-12-22	Cursillo #147 Team Meeting #1	<a href="#">St. Alban's</a>	<a href="#">Mike Jewett</a>	8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
<b>March 2022</b>	More Information Click <a href="#">Link</a>	Directions Click <a href="#">Link</a>	Click <a href="#">Link</a> to e-mail POC	<a href="#">Return to top</a>

Mar-05-22	<a href="#">Servant Community #147</a> Servador & Rollo Room Training	<a href="#">St. Alban's</a>	<a href="#">Larry Salvadori</a>	8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Mar-05-22	<a href="#">Secretariat Meeting</a>	<a href="#">St. Alban's</a>	<a href="#">Sunny Landry</a>	12:30 PM
Mar-06-22	Group by Zoom	Online	<a href="#">Craig Noble</a>	4:00 PM to 5:15 PM
Mar-12-22	Cursillo #147 Team Meeting #2	<a href="#">St. Matthew's</a>	<a href="#">Mike Jewett</a>	8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Mar-24-22	Forward Deadline		<a href="#">News Letter Editor</a>	All Day
Mar-26-22	Cursillo #147 Rollo Critiques	<a href="#">St. Bartholomew's</a>	<a href="#">Larry Salvadori</a>	8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Mar-28-22	Cursillo #147 Applications Deadline	<a href="#">Cursillo Applications</a>	<a href="#">Pre-Cursillo Chair</a>	All Day
<b>April 2022</b>	More Information Click <a href="#">Link</a>	Directions Click <a href="#">Link</a>	Click <a href="#">Link</a> to e-mail POC	<a href="#">Return to top</a>
<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>POC</b>	<b>Time/Day</b>
Apr-04-22	Group by Zoom	Online	<a href="#">Craig Noble</a>	4:00 PM to 5:15 PM
Apr-07-22	<a href="#">Secretariat Meeting</a>	<a href="#">St. Alban's</a>	<a href="#">Sunny Landry</a>	6:00 PM Brown Bag 7:00 PM Ultreya
Apr-09-22	Cursillo #147 Team Meeting #3	<a href="#">St. Alban's</a>	<a href="#">Mike Jewett</a>	8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Apr-28-22 thru May-1-22	<a href="#">Cursillo Wkd #147(Coed)</a> <i>Mananitas 2:15 PM (Flowers only)</i> <i>Open Clausura 2:30 PM TO 4:00 PM Sunday</i>	<a href="#">Pine Valley Bible Conference Center</a>	Team, Candidates	End SUNDAY 4:00 PM

## **Send Palanca to Support Cursillo Weekends**

As Cursillo activities slowly begin to resume (careful -- the variants of the Covid-19 virus are causing infections to rise again, so get vaccinated and keep those masks handy!), it is worth remembering how important it was for you to see Palanca from around the country when you experienced your own Cursillo weekend. Take a moment and email a note or wall poster to any Secretariat that is organizing a weekend in the near future. (See list below.)

You may never get to know how much it meant to a roomful of people you might never even meet in your lifetime, but you will be a blessing to them:

February 17, 2022, Cursillo #146 (Spanish), Southwest Florida, Kristina Hodge, [hodgeak@hotmail.com](mailto:hodgeak@hotmail.com)

February 24-27, Men's , Southeast Florida, [info@sef-cursillo.com](mailto:info@sef-cursillo.com).

March 3-6, Cursillo #109, North Carolina, [thamiii@att.net](mailto:thamiii@att.net)

March 4-6, Women's Cursillo, Central Florida, Chuck Pierce, [CAP128154@yahoo.com](mailto:CAP128154@yahoo.com)

March 10-13, 2022, Cursillo #257, Texas, Peggy Ryder, [Piggity@JsrSystems.info](mailto:Piggity@JsrSystems.info)

March 17-20, Cursillo # ,142, Upper South Carolina, [jjendronjanet@gmail.com](mailto:jjendronjanet@gmail.com)

March 17-20, Cursillo weekend, West Texas, led by Greg Kirkland, <https://www.dwtx.org/what-we-do/adults/cursillo-resources>.

March 18-22, Women's Cursillo, Central Florida, [grammiefor4@gmail.com](mailto:grammiefor4@gmail.com).

March 24-27, Cursillo #143, Florida, [roni.a.kelly@gmail.com](mailto:roni.a.kelly@gmail.com)

## **2022 SECRETARIAT LAY MEMBERS**

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**CURSILLO CORNER – LOVE DONATIONS**

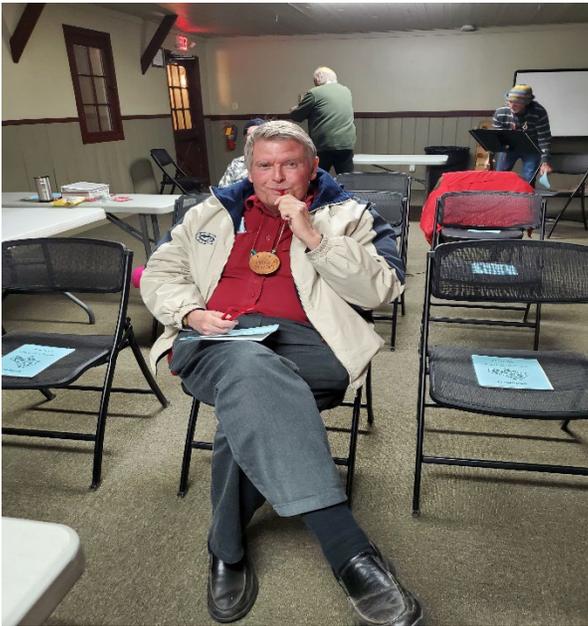
The Cursillo community accepts donations year-round. These donations allow us to set up “scholarships” to help defray the cost of sponsoring new Cursillistas and workers, pay our bills, support ministries, and the Episcopal Cursillo Ministry. If you’d like to make a Blessing Gift to Cursillo, please sent it to:

Judy Brown – Treasurer  
 51 Viejas Grade Road  
 Alpine, Ca. 91901-1605

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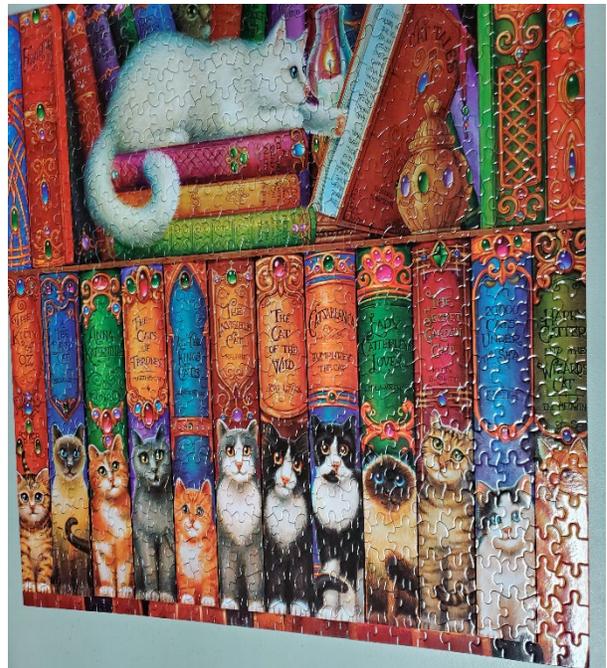
Fr. George – Last of the Red Vines



The Puzzling Ladies ?



Nancy, kit, Jeanne, and Sunny



The 500 piece Cat Puzzle - Meow