

# Forward

## Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego

Volume VIII

December 2003

Our Mission: To Christianize Environments and Develop Lay Leadership

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### From the Chair – December 2003

As the end of the year approaches we also prepare for a new Secretariat to lead the Cursillo movement in our diocese. I will be rotating off along with Barbara McBride, Dick Mette, Jane Schuler, Fr. Ed Renner, and Fr. Russ Martin. All have been faithful servants for the community and I give thanks and gratitude for all their hard work.

Secretariat elections were held at the Grand Ultreya in November. Elected to three-year terms were Frank Durham, Lauree Jordan, and Ed Embick. Ted Parsons was elected to a one-year term and Fr. Tony Baron and Fr. Wayne Sanders were elected to two-year clergy positions on the Secretariat. Patrick McBride will assume the position of Chair at the December meeting. Please pray for your new Secretariat that they may faithfully lead this movement where God would have us go.

A fantastic National Episcopal Cursillo Seminar (NECS) was held at the Handlery Hotel in October. I am grateful to Bob and Janet Shaw and their committee for the wonderful job in organizing this event. This was not a small task! Bob and Janet epitomize good leadership.

As I look back on the last two years as your chair, much has changed; the most significant of which is the Servant Community's greater involvement in supporting the Cursillo.

The first major change came with the advent of the Food Preparation Ministry headed by Lynda Gibson. This effort has produced a wonderful custom cookbook of delicious, inexpensive, and easy to prepare menus applicable for Cursillo weekends. Additionally, Lynda now coordinates the menus for the each team and orders the food. We are saving money and at the same time, relieving burdens from the kitchen teams to allow them to do their primary task of prayer.

The Music Ministry has produced another new version of the Cursillo songbook, expanding it to include more current contemporary

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songs and greatly improving the worship section. Doug Woods led that effort. Clint Taylor led a music workshop to hone the skill of those who lead us in worship and music.

Clint Taylor has also been active in the Ultreya Ministry, conducting numerous instructed Ultreyas around the diocese.

The Parish Representative Ministry, led by Judy Anderson, has revised and updated the parish rep notebooks and conduct three PR workshops around the diocese to better equip and inform the parish reps and the clergy about Cursillo.

Ann Packard has devoted her energies organizing our first and very successful Day of Deeper Understanding. Working together with Ed Embick and Jane Schuler, the DODU will be combined with our Fourth Day program following weekends. This should make the Fourth Day more applicable to new Cursillistas. Ann also coordinates Episcopal Cursillo Leaders Workshops (ECLW) for the entire Western District.

Dick Mette, leading the Communications Ministry, has greatly improved our website to make it a vital link for all Cursillistas. Not only can you get the latest Forward newsletter from the site, but current applications (candidate, sponsor, and team), Palanca lists, and a current calendar of events. Keep your eye on the web page; I'm sure there's more to come.

The Team Training Ministry, headed by Jeanne Salvadori, has developed special team training for first-time cocineros, table leaders, and rol-listas. This is an ongoing effort that will help to provide consistency in forming weekend teams.

All these functions of the Servant Community are added to long standing ministries such as the Rollo Critique Team led by Larry Salvadori, Pre-Cursillo candidate selection led by Barbara McBride, the Forward newsletter published by Harry Packard, Palanca led by Judy Potter, the Saints Roster maintained by Barbara Taylor, and the Rector/Rectora support team led by Stew Dadmun.

A special thanks is especially due to Stew Dadmun for his incredible dedication to the Servant Community. Stew has been the SC

coordinator for many years. We would not be where we are today without his steady hand at the SC helm.

Most of the accomplishments in the past two years began with the Episcopal Cursillo Leaders Workshop (ECLW) held in Feb 2002. ECLW focused our energies in the right direction and great things are happening as a result. Our next ECLW is February 27-29, 2004. If you work Three-day Weekends, sponsor candidates, or in any way assist in the Cursillo ministries, ECLW is the best place to learn how the Cursillo movement works. See the accompanying article in this issue.

As you are certainly aware, there are serious problems facing the National Church over the decisions made at the General Convention concerning homosexuality. I only mention it here because it has not been, nor should it be, an issue for the Cursillo community. Our purpose is to raise up leaders to be evangelists for Jesus Christ throughout the world. We do this by living a life of piety, study, and action as we make new friends and introduce them to Jesus. Let that be our only agenda when we meet as Cursillistas.

The next quarterly Servant Community meeting will be on Saturday, December 13, from 9:00 to 12:00 at Church of the Good Samaritan, University City. As you can tell, Servant Community is the grease that keeps the machine running smoothly. I encourage you to be a part of it and get greasy.

Ultreya, Mike Orcutt

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Look for the next Forward in early February with team meeting details.  
Articles, calendar events and other materials are due **no later than February 2nd**.  
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## Five Different Ways of Explaining the Authority of the Bible in the Church

Today we often hear about the need to uphold the authority of the Bible in the church but we may not realize that there are very different ways of explaining the authority of Scripture. The Bible has authority but each of the five great branches of Christianity explains its authority in such different ways that the Bible plays a different role in each of these traditions.

There is something right about each of the five ways of viewing Biblical authority; each of the five ways brings out another dimension of the authority of the Bible. We need to learn about the authority of the Bible from the five following great teachers.

1) Eastern Orthodox - The Bible has authority in the church because it is an essential part of the tradition of the church, it is especially important because it contains the tradition of the Apostles. For Eastern Orthodox theologians, which comes first, tradition or the Bible? They answer that apostolic tradition existed before it was written down and much later was recognized by the church as the Bible. It is a historical fact that the teaching of the Apostles existed prior to the Bible and it is also true that parts of the Old Testament existed as tradition before being written as a book of the Bible. For the Eastern Orthodox Church the Tradition is the authority and the Bible has authority because it is a record of the Tradition. "The Tradition," that is, tradition with a capital "T", has authority because it is the life of the Holy Spirit in the church and not just human traditions with a small "t."

### Weakness:

Sometimes the Tradition of the Old Testament Saints and New Testament Apostles can get lost in the midst of 2,000 years of church Tradition and traditions. The unique and living au-

thority of the Bible can be covered up by a misunderstanding of the Tradition when Tradition is reduced down to the traditionalism of the church.

### Strength:

The Tradition provides continuity between the teachings of the church and the Bible; the church can't go off in strange directions because it is held accountable to the Tradition. Individuals can not come up with strange interpretations of the Bible because they are not part of the Tradition. Tradition helps keep everything in a Biblical context.

2) Roman Catholic - The Bible and tradition are two separate and independent sources of authority. Not all church teachings can be found in the Bible, there must be room for doctrinal development. Tradition can develop as an independent source of authority as long as it is consistent with the Bible. For example, the authority of the Pope is derived out of tradition independently of the Bible.

### Weakness:

Unfortunately some of the things that developed in Roman Catholic tradition were thought to be consistent with Scripture but were actually contrary to Scripture, such as salvation by selling of indulgences and by good works.

### Strength:

Allowing for tradition to develop means that the Roman Catholic Church is able to find new ways of applying Biblical truth to address new situations through new authoritative teachings.

3) Protestant Reformation - The Bible alone is the authority of the church because it is God's word and all the human traditions of the church must be held accountable to the Bible.

### Weakness:

If the Bible is the only authority, how did the church have the authority to choose which books are in the Bible?

### Strength:

Everything in the church must be tested with the authority of Scripture, the Bible can not be controlled by the church, the church must be controlled by Biblical truth.

4) Liberal Protestant and Revisionist Theology - Personal experience is the authority and the Bible is a record of personal religious experiences and so is an authoritative resource for the church. The Bible has authority for us today as it enables our religious experience.

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## Weakness:

Our experiences today become the standard by which the truth of the Bible is evaluated. Shouldn't it be the other way around, the truth of the Bible being used to evaluate our experiences? The authority of the Bible is undermined when human experience replaces the Bible as the ultimate authority.

## Strength:

This position sees vast differences between the culture and world view of the books of the Bible, and our world today, and tries to bridge thousands of years of history with common experiences. We want the Bible to make sense in our experience today and this way of interpreting the Bible strives to achieve this goal.

5) Anglican – The view advocated by Richard Hooker (1553-1600) that the Bible is the supreme authority, but not the only authority for the church. Reason and tradition must also be authorities if Scripture is to be rightly interpreted. The Bible is God's word and so is superior to the church but God has also given the church the interpretive tools of reason and tradition so that the truth of God's word can be known.

## Weakness:

Sometimes we misinterpret Richard Hooker thinking that Scripture, tradition, and reason are three independent sources of authority. We try to pick the one source of authority that we think will prove our point of view. For example, we sometimes may try to use our own reasoning without Scripture and tradition.

## Strength:

The Anglican view holds the church accountable to the truth and authority of Scripture as God's word, but also allows room for reason and tradition in the church as a means of interpretation.

In the church today we need to make sure that the full authority of Scripture is being upheld. Even though there are different views of the authority of Scripture, different ways of explaining the Bible's authority, the bottom line is that God reveals Himself and His will for us in and through the text of the Bible. We need to come humbly before God's word and ask Him to speak to us.

Your friend in Christ,

Fr. George

## **From the Chair-elect → Chair**

Hello all,

This marks the first article that I will be writing as Chairman of the Secretariat - the elected board that is responsible for the day to day operation of the Cursillo movement in San Diego. Of course, depending on when you read this, I may still be the Chair-elect. In other words, in mid December the Secretariat will begin the second half of an experiment started last year when we changed the bylaws such that instead of electing a Secretariat chair and having that person immediately take over, they serve as chair-elect for one year. This allows the Chair-Elect to be thinking about the position for awhile before they are asked to assume the responsibility.

In my case, I was not prepared to take over the position of Secretariat chair last year. I was literally afraid. When the average age of the membership of our community is somewhere near twice my own, how could I hope to hold the whole thing together? However, over the course of the year, I've learned that I will have the support of a large loving community. I learned that I will not be the youngest chair ever of our Secretariat. Most of all, I learned I will not be the one holding it all together, God will.

So what is Cursillo in San Diego? Is it the four distinct weekends that we put on every year, or the support of the two Spanish speaking weekends? Is it the several hundred groupings that we have across the county? Is it the occasional regional Ultreya or the bi-annual Grand Ultreya? Is it the biennial ECLW? Perhaps it is the quarterly Servant Community meetings? Or the parish leader training that has been occurring over the past couple of years?

It is all of these things. However, the charter of our community is to help raise up Christian leaders in our environments. It is not to create a plethora of events to attend for personal spiritual revival. This means that to be a successful member of the community, you do not need to attend all of the events. However, to get the most out of Cursillo, you should actively take part in planning some of the events. I know this may sound a bit crazy, but the best way to become a better leader is by actually leading. The easiest way to become involved in leading an event is to attend a Servant Community meeting. There you can either become an active part of an ongoing project or you can meet with other people from nearby parishes that would be willing to help with a regional Ultreya. There is even a group that is available to assist you if you wish to do a regional Ultreya.

If you are unable to attend the Servant Community meetings, but would still like to do something, feel free to give me a call or send me an email of what you may be interested in doing. I will try and get you in contact with the correct person.

Ultreya,

Patrick McBride

## NECS 2003

The 2003 National Episcopal Cursillo Seminar came to San Diego the weekend of October 24-26. Over 200 cursillistas from across the country, the Bahamas and England joined together at the Handlery Hotel in Mission Valley to share, pray, sing and attend educational sessions. They heard inspiring talks on the theme, "Follow Me," by the keynote speaker, Bishop Daniel Herzog of Albany, New York, and Bishop Hughes who gave the homily at the opening Eucharist. San Diego also hosted the NECS in 1995, and for years people across the county talked about our hospitality and the wonderful music we presented under the guidance of Clint Taylor. The same things are being said about NECS 2003. They really appreciated the warm welcome we gave them and they consistently commented on how much they felt the presence of the Holy Spirit. They loved the Mariachi Juvenile singers (age 8-12) from the National School District who entertained them Friday evening. The only drawback was the tragedy of the fires which occurred on the day they were leaving.

The education sessions included such topics as spirituality (given by Ted Parsons), reviving Cursillo in communities where it has languished (given by the Rev. Maryanne Lacey) and how to give a witness talk (given by Fr. Ned Kellogg). On Saturday evening, Clint Taylor again directed an outstanding music program with a group consisting of Jim Boydston, Andrew Strothers, Brent Calhoun, Ed Stubbs, Pat Camm, Mary Myers, Frank Durham, Doug Woods, Jim Macemon, Rick Crossley, Mike Orcutt, Sam Spaulding, Babs Tally and Larry Salvadori. Many people said they wished they could have a CD of the music presented on Saturday night and several dozen took home copies of our new song book/service book to show their own communities.

Our thanks to all who prayed for, worked at and otherwise supported the seminar, including Judy Macemon who prepared a beautiful prayer quilt which was available for everyone to tie a knot and say a prayer. Special appreciation is due our core team of Denny Walters, Clint and Barbara Taylor, Jamie Wood, Jeanne and Larry Salvadori, Lani and Doug Woods, Mike and Barbara McBride, Konnie and Stew Dadmun, Ann and Harry Packard and Fr. Ned Kellogg.

Janet & Bob Shaw, Local Coordinators  
National Episcopal Cursillo Seminar 2003



## REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

December 1, 2003

Dear Friends,

I want to thank all of you who have so generously supported Cursillo activities this year. Those of you who faithfully honor pledges; those of you who work weekends or sponsor new leaders; those of you who have given of your treasure as the Spirit moved you --- you have done a wonderful job of providing us with the funds needed to continue our mission.

However, with only one month left in 2003, we do need some help to finish at a break-even point for the year. We have received **\$27,412** in donations, but our expenses have totaled **\$30,418**. During this season, we are especially aware of the supreme gift God has given us in His Son. I ask that you prayerfully consider making a small extra contribution to Cursillo this month to celebrate the birthday of Christ. I know that you will feel blessed in the giving.

Please note that I will be sending out statements in January for persons who have made contributions of over \$100. If you do not get a statement but would like to have one - regardless of the size of your contribution - please let me know by email, telephone or correspondence. Thank you all for your marvelous continuous support. May God bless you richly.

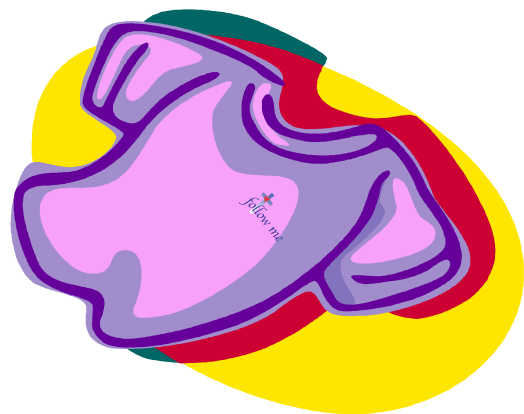
*In Christ's Love and Service,*

*JoAn Taylor, Treasurer*

### *Cursillos in Christianity*

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*(Ed.'s Note: Web readers must supply their own envelope!)*



P.S. We have two L and two XL logo T-shirts @ \$15 and one M logo sweatshirt @ \$25 for you...first come...rbshaw@prodigy.net

## The ECLW is coming soon!

What is it?

It's an Episcopal Cursillo Leaders Workshop! The purpose of the Cursillo Movement is to take Christian men and women who desire to serve the Lord in a more effective and intentional way and show them how to do it. It gives us all a clearer understanding of our role in the movement and the opportunity to learn about the tools available to make the Cursillo movement an effective instrument in the work of the Church. It clarifies the strategy and method of the Cursillo movement as it seeks to work within the Episcopal Church to fulfill the Great Commandment – “love one another”- and the great commission – “Go. Make disciples of all nations.”

What Happens?

A team composed of National leaders present a series of talks which lead to a better understanding of the depth of the Cursillo movement and our role within the Church. There are table discussions, times for questions and answers, times for fellowship, sharing, worship, singing, teaching, learning and discernment. (Sound familiar to you?) But....it is NOT another Three-Day Weekend, nor is it a repeat of the talks you hear on the weekend. It is designed to help us understand and grow the Cursillo movement as leaders within the Episcopal Church locally and globally. (The Team: Stu Simpson, immediate past President of the NECC; Rev. John Padgett, past member of the NECC; Nina-Jo Moore, past member of the NECC; Sue Paisley, current member of the NECC for the Western District.)

Who Should Attend?

Anyone who has made a Cursillo Three-Day Weekend may attend. Anyone who is or who wants to be a Cursillo leader should attend. And definitely, anyone who is serving as a Cursillo leader now and has never attended an ECLW should attend.

So please come and join us as we prepare to grow our faith and commitment to Christ through the Cursillo movement. The weekend will begin at 7:00 P.M. Friday evening, February 27th, continue on Saturday, and end with Holy Eucharist Sunday morning. All activities will take place at Trinity Episcopal Church in Escondido. A continental breakfast will be served Saturday and Sunday after Morning Prayer at 7:30 A.M. Lunch and dinner will be served Saturday. The cost for the weekend will be \$95. Overnight accommodations are not included, although assistance in locating local accommodations can be provided. An NEC Library is required for the weekend (it has all the answers). If you do not have a current library it will be provided for an additional \$20. A NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT OF \$50 IS DUE BY FEBRUARY 1, 2004.

Direct questions to Larry Salvadori (858.485.5494) or Pat Camm (760.727.8531). Send in application and payment (or deposit) payable to *Cursillos in Christianity* with ECLW on the memo line to PAT CAMM, 3518 DE LEONE RD, SAN MAROS, CA 92069-1210.

We look forward to seeing you there! Your Local Coordinators, Larry Salvadori and Pat Camm

EPISCOPAL CURSILLO LEADERS WORKSHOP — — — — —

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (DAY) \_\_\_\_\_ (EVE) \_\_\_\_\_

DINNER FRIDAY EVENING AT 6:00 p.m. IS OPTIONAL FOR \$6.00. WILL YOU ATTEND? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

Number of reservations: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I NEED A NEC LIBRARY: circle YES NO

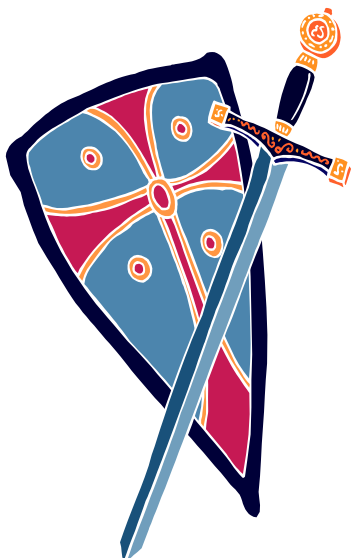
## SPRING WEEKENDS — 2004

Men's Weekend #109 April 15-18

Women's Weekend #110 April 22-25

To all my brothers in Christ,

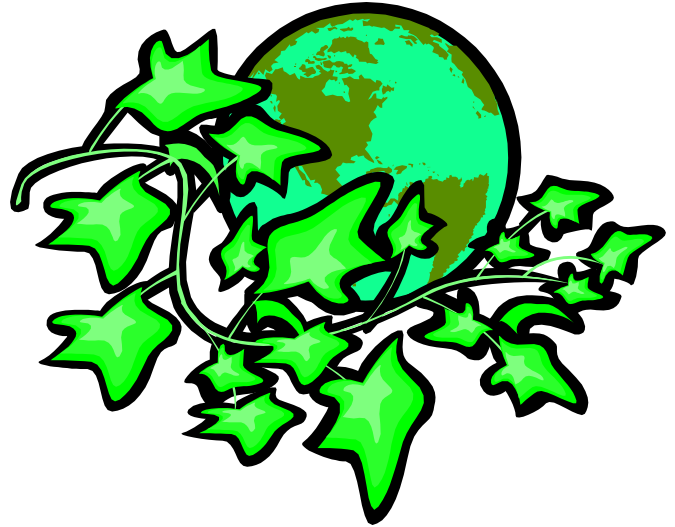
I am honored to have been chosen to host the Holy Spirit for Cursillo #109. **Standing Steadfast in the Armor of God**, we are called to the mountain to spread the word of the Lord once again. Now is the time to begin our prayers for each other and to open the hearts of each candidate who is called upon to witness God's love. Be strong in the Lord and find strength in His power. Taking hold of the Armor of God will protect us and guide us as we transform the world, one Christian at a time. As we begin to take this walk on the mountain together, my prayers for each one of you are to fill your hearts with the knowledge of each other, and take back home a little more than what you come with. I pray that the light of Jesus that is inside all of us will shine through.



God's Peace,

Cyrus Robbins  
Rector #109

Ephesians 6:10-18



Dear Friends in Christ,

Jesus said, "**I am the vine, you are the branches.**"\* With God and Christ working through us in the power of the Holy Spirit, I ask that those of us who will be on the mountain for this weekend, and those who will be with us through the Palanca of prayer make this weekend an offering of praise and thanksgiving to our Lord.

In His Service,

Judy Potter,  
Rectora #110

\*John 15:5



Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **CANDIDATE APPLICATION**

**CURSILLO** is Spanish for short course in Christian living. The Cursillo method uses a Three-Day Weekend and a separate "Fourth Day" (on a weekend shortly after the women's weekend). A team of laity and clergy will present the fundamental principles of Christian living through a series of talks and meditations.

Your sponsor believes you have leadership qualities and the potential to change your environments for Christ. The weekend is designed to provide leadership training while reaffirming your commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ. After the weekend, there is a continuing program in which you are encouraged to participate.

Since both this weekend and the subsequent involvement are demanding, we ask you to pray seriously about your application before you submit it. Acceptance is not automatic for a specific weekend, but will be prayerfully considered. Once the Pre-Cursillo committee determines the candidate's participation in the upcoming weekend will be beneficial, the candidate will receive notice of acceptance. If your application is accepted, but you are unable to attend the designated weekend, your application will remain active for two upcoming weekends.

In order to gain the most from the weekend, you should be in the best possible spiritual, emotional and physical condition. Cursillo is held at Camp Stevens near Julian, which is at 4,400 ft, and is situated on hills. The dining hall is up the hill from the sleeping area. If this presents a problem to you, please explain and we will try to accommodate you.

Husband and wife should apply at the same time. The husband goes to his Three-Day Weekend first, and the wife will attend her weekend one week later. Husbands and wives should complete separate applications.

After completing the application, please give it to your sponsor who will submit it.

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**Please remove and retain this page for your own information. If you have any questions, please ask your sponsor or contact:**

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Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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### CANDIDATE APPLICATION

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Name as you would like to see it on a name tag: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street/PO City State Zip Code

Church: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parish City

Have You Been Baptized? (Yes / No)

Marital Status-Circle One: (Single / Married / Separated / Divorced / Widowed / Widower)

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Has your spouse attended Cursillo? (Yes / No) If Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Location

How many children do you have? \_\_\_\_\_ What are their ages? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answer yes to either or both of the next two questions please explain in sufficient detail to allow us to support you on your weekend.

1. Do you have any food allergies or special/medical dietary needs? (Yes / No)
2. Do you take regular medication; have chronic medical needs, or physical limitations? (Yes/No)

Details:

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Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Give a personal statement of your reasons for desiring to attend a Cursillo Three-Day Weekend:

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Has your sponsor explained the "Fourth Day Program" to you? (held on a weekend shortly following the women's weekend?) (Yes / No) If no, please ask him/her about it.

I will attend and participate in the "Fourth Day Program." (Yes / No)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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### SPONSOR FORM

Before giving your potential candidate an application or filling out this sponsor form, it is important that you discuss, with the candidate's priest/pastor, the potential candidate's suitability for attending a Cursillo Three-day Weekend, with reference to his/her spiritual commitment and emotional stability. Also, please inform the Cursillo parish representative that you are sponsoring this person.

We also ask you to remember that the "purpose of Cursillo is to find, mold, and link leaders who have the potential to change their environments for Christ."

Fill out this form COMPLETELY, with care and frankness. All information is strictly confidential and will be used only by the Pre-Cursillo committee, Rector/Rectora, and the Spiritual Adviser of each weekend. This form MUST be submitted together with your candidate's application. It is IMPOSSIBLE to consider your candidate's application unless accompanied by this form. If this form or the candidate application is not filled out completely, it will be returned.

Please mail this form, with the candidate's application, to:

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Chair, Pre-Cursillo Committee  
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760.943.8922.  
[jbshelly@adelphia.net](mailto:jbshelly@adelphia.net)

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Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

Candidate Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Last Name

Church candidate attends: \_\_\_\_\_

I have known the candidate \_\_\_\_\_ years. Frequency of attending church: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want this person to attend Cursillo? Describe how well you know him/her.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe how this person is a leader in the church:

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Describe the candidate's environment (other activities or special interests) and his/her leadership in these areas:

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PLEASE CHECK, AND COMMENT ON ANY YES ANSWERS. Comment prayerfully on ANY problems the candidate may have which may be detrimental to receptiveness to the message and mechanisms of the weekend (moral, emotional, mental, drinking, narcotics, etc.) Also comment on the impact of any recent divorce, separation or other crisis. Provide additional comments to assist in meeting your candidate's needs, and to aid in table assignments (personality, etc.). Please attach additional pages if you need extra space for comments.

Yes   No

- [ ]   [ ]   DIVORCED? (If yes, how recently?)
- [ ]   [ ]   SEPARATED? (If yes, how recently?)
- [ ]   [ ]   BEREAVED OR OTHER RECENT CRISIS? (If yes, how recently?).
- [ ]   [ ]   MEDICAL PROBLEMS? (Is bottom bunk necessary?).
- [ ]   [ ]   DIETARY PROBLEMS?

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE ANSWER FULLY; COMMENT ON ANY NO ANSWERS.

Yes No

- [ ] [ ] Have you explained the nature of the weekend and the "Fourth Day Program"?
- [ ] [ ] Does your candidate understand that he/she is considered a leader and that you perceive him/her as capable of changing his/her environment?
- [ ] [ ] Have you attended the "Fourth Day Program"?
- [ ] [ ] Are you committed to take your candidate to the "Fourth Day Program" (on a weekend shortly following the women's weekend)?
- [ ] [ ] Has your candidate agreed to attend Fourth Day?
- [ ] [ ] Are you presently in Group Reunion? If not, please explain.
- [ ] [ ] Have you explained to your candidate about joining an ongoing group after the weekend?
- [ ] [ ] Will you see to it that your candidate has the opportunity to share in a Group Reunion?

Is there anything else about this person we should know?

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Name(s) (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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### To be completed by Priest/Pastor:

#### Unless the following information is provided, the application will be rejected:

1. The Cursillo weekend can be powerful and evoke strong emotions. From the beginning, it has been recommended that both husband and wife make their Cursillo weekends at the same time so that they can share the experience and support each other as they grow and develop in their spiritual journeys. If only one spouse is sponsored, please provide reasons why this will not create a problem in their marriage.

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2. Are there any physical, psychological, emotional or spiritual problems of which the Pre-Cursillo committee needs to be aware? Please explain.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, know the applicant personally, and believe  
Print Name of Priest/Pastor  
 him/her to be an appropriate candidate for a Cursillo Three-Day Weekend.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant's Priest/Pastor Priest/Pastor's Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_ know the applicant personally, and believe  
Print Name of Sponsor  
 him/her to be an appropriate candidate for a Cursillo Three-Day Weekend.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant's Sponsor Sponsor's Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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### CURSILLO WORK APPLICATION

Men's Team \_\_\_\_\_ Women's Team \_\_\_\_\_  
Weekend \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Angel \_\_\_\_\_ Weekend \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Angel \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Cursillo you wish to work \_\_\_\_\_ Your age group: Under 30 30-40 40-50 50-60 Over 60

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PH: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PH: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

When and where did you make your Cursillo Three-Day Weekend? \_\_\_\_\_

Cursillo #	Location	CURSILLO WORK EXPERIENCE (most recent first)
		Duties and/or Rollos given
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Please comment on any special talents or interests that you would like God to use preparing for and during the 3-Day Weekend; including musical talents, altar guild, chalice bearer, calligraphy, artistic talents, computer talents, etc:

\_\_\_\_\_

I am currently involved in a Group Reunion: Yes, No → please explain \_\_\_\_\_

I can participate in the Fourth Day meeting following the Women's Weekend: Yes, No \_\_\_\_\_

Any special diet or health needs, or physical limitations?

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Anything else you feel led to say:

#### RETURN TO:

RECTOR—CURSILLO #109

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### DECEMBER

13 Servant Community, Good Samaritan  
8:30—12:00

19 Deposit for Back to the Mountain due,  
see *October Forward*.

25 “Unto us a child is born, unto us a son  
is given; and his name shall be called  
Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God,  
the Everlasting Father, the Prince of  
Peace.” Isaiah 9:6

### JANUARY

ASAP Spring Weekend Work Applications

2 Registration Cutoff for Back to  
the Mountain

9-11 Back to the Mountain (see above)

### FEBRUARY

1 ECLW deposit due (p. 6)

2 Deadline for February *Forward* articles

25 “Create and make in us new and  
contrite hearts”

27-29 Episcopal Cursillo Leaders Workshop

