



FORWARD

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Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego

Our Mission: To Christianize Environments and Develop Lay Leadership

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings from the chair,

This year's secretariat is off and running, but before I tell you what we're up to I want to recognize Judy Brown for the excellent job she's done leading your "vestry" over the last year. Let's hear it for Judy!

At the Ultreya at Saint Tim's the Cursillo community voted in five new Secretariat members: Larry Salvadori, Karen Rice, Justin Jordan, Mercedes Weber and Rev. Steve Wendfeldt. They join existing members: Judy Brown, Rev. Ed. Busch, Judy Anderson, Ed Embick, Susan Miller and Rev. Babs. Meairs. I am humbled by the combination of talent, experience and enthusiasm that your Secretariat represents.

We welcomed in the New Year with a Secretariat retreat at the home of Susan & Victor Miller. The theme this year was "Inclusivity," or how to expand our participation in non-traditional directions. In praying for guidance on choosing a theme (I didn't even know that was my job until Father George suggested it!) I noted that you had elected two people who represent communities into which we want to expand – youth, in the person of Justin, and cross-cultural, in the person of Mercedes. We will be putting both to work to help us reach out into those candidate pools! I think those of you who worked Cursillo #132 will agree that the inclusion (there's that word) of several new Spanish-speaking Cursillistas enriched the weekend and strengthened the ties that bind us together.

Last year we voted to drop from our Pastoral Plan language that restricted candidates to "leaders," as a better understanding of one's relationship with Christ may be what it takes to *make* someone a leader. Also, because of the demise of Vocare, we voted to lower the age limit from 21 to 18. We recognize that for that to work, we have to recruit more than one young person for any given weekend, or they may feel out of place with the rest of us dinosaurs; and they must be mature young people. We already have some infrastructure in place to welcome Hispanic candidates (translators, Spanish songs and Prayer Books... and the very origin and vocabulary of our ministry), so we'll limit our multi-cultural expansion to that demographic for the time being.

So let's work together this year to build upon the progress we've already made in opening our arms to these communities!

Ultreya!
Glenn Parrish



From the Spiritual Advisor



"Then I saw a great white throne and one who sat on it"

(Revelation 20:11)

On our recent vacation to Lake Tahoe, Nancy and I drove into Reno, Nevada to pick up our daughter, Jill, from the airport. We arrived in Reno early, so as to have plenty of time to go through what is left of Bill Harrah's classic car collection. As I walked through the museum, my mind went back to the 1970's when, as a teen, I walked from one massive warehouse to another, spending the entire day trying to see all of what was then the largest classic car collection in the world.

Bill Harrah died suddenly of an aneurysm at the age of 66. In a few seconds, he went from owning more and better cars than anyone else, to owning nothing. He went from living his life his own way to standing before the throne of God. He went from being admired as a highly successful businessman to a man without glory standing before God's judgment. As far as we know, Bill Harrah lived his life pursuing more and more money, beautiful women and classic cars. He seemed not to be interested in being used by God's purposes on earth. He was not interested in fulfilling God's mission, but only in satisfying his own desires.

Bill Harrah's life should serve as a warning to us; true life is not about collecting more cars, or other things, than anyone else. The person who dies with the most toys does not win in the game of life. The person who wins at the game of life is the person who offers one's own life to God, seeking to fulfill God's purposes and not just one's own desires. We can only have real life when we are living within the purposes of God.

We know what God's purposes are for our lives when we seek to serve Jesus Christ. In the person and work of Christ, we find God's purposes for our lives and then, life itself.

As we come to Jesus Christ, we become the agents of His mission out into the world. We see ourselves as his missionaries to a world that needs to find life in His name.

Someday, you will stand before the great white throne and the One who sits on it. What you have done with your life is important in the eyes of God. Have you lived your life only for your own desires, or have you lived your life for God's purposes?

Your friend in Christ,

Father George



Episcopal Diocese of San Diego

Cursillo Calendar

**Please check-out the Web page
www.sdcursillo.org for more
 details**

02~ Feb~13 Ecumenical Grand Ultreya ~ Lunch @11:30am
 Ultreya @1pm

08/09~Feb~13 @8am SD Episcopal Dio. Convention

16~Feb~13 @10am Jim Loomis Memorial Service



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02~Mar~13 @9am [Servant Community](#)

1st Time Cocinero & Rollo Room Training @12pm

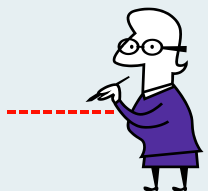
02~Mar~13 @ 12:30pm [Secretariat](#)

16~Mar~13 Cursillo #133 @ 8:45am
 Team Meeting @12pm

23~Mar~13 Cursillo #133 @8:45am
 Team Meeting @12pm

25~Mar~13 **Cursillo #133 Appl Deadline**

28~ Mar~13 Forward Deadline



04~Apr~13 [Secretariat](#) Brn Bag @6pm ~ Meeting @6:30pm

14~Apr~13 Cursillo #133 @8:45am
 Final Team Meeting @12pm

25/28~Apr~13 Cursillo #133 (Coed) Thursday @7pm



April 2013

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If you would like to know more about the Servant Community work contact Larry Salvadori lasalvadori@yahoo.com or come to the next meeting on March 2 at St. Dunstan's.

It's not too early to think about attending **Back to the Mountain** next January. Mark your calendar, and start saving now for the registration which runs about \$125 for the two days.

It's a little bit like a Cursillo Weekend: we're at Camp Stevens; we sit at tables in Blum Lodge for a few talks and the discussions that follow; the music is plentiful and excellent. But the differences are significant: we have a lot of free time to enjoy Camp Stevens and Julian; no cooking necessary--our meals are prepared by the staff; there is planned social time for getting to know one another or catching up with friends. Anyone who has attended a 3 Day Weekend, such as Cursillo, or Walk to Emmaus may attend.

If you've not yet been to Back to the Mountain, be warned that once you go, you'll want to come back every year. It may seem like a luxury in our current economy and a sacrifice of your time when there is so much to be done, but what a great way to start the year! Look for more details coming in a few months.



Susan Miller (co-leader, BTTM 2013)

IF YOU WERE NOT AT THE 2013 ECUMENICAL GRAND ULTREYA YOU MISSED A GREAT TIME.

Held at St. Catherine Laboure Parish Hall this year on Feb. 2, the Ultreya had everything—great music, speakers, food and grouping. The music, played by Laurie Mumford, Justin Jordan, Fr. Wayne Sanders, Steve Sapper and Dave Holland was lively. The talks were inspiring: Frank and Sandra Cozza spoke on their walk with the Lord; Amber and Humberto Garcia told of their experience at the orphanage in Tecate; Rick Lee revealed how the Lord helped him overcome addictions and lead him to a new life with Walk to Emmaus; and Chuck Merritt, who was in law enforcement told of how he was lead to the Kairos prison ministry. We'll have another Ecumenical Grand Ultreya in 2015; hope you can join us.

Judy Anderson, Ultreya Coordinator

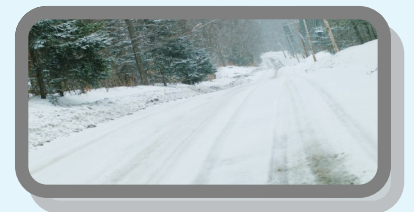
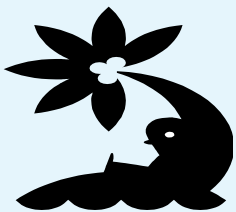
A Memorial Service celebrating the life of Jim Loomis was held at [Good Samaritan Episcopal Church](#) in University City on Saturday, February 16, at 10:00 AM. A reception in the Parish Hall was to follow.

Jim attended Cursillo #59 in October, 1990, and became active in the KAIROS of San Diego ministry at the Richard J. Donovan Correctional Facility shortly thereafter. He is missed by his family, the KAIROS and Cursillo communities, and the congregation at Good Samaritan.



Those who attended the Ecumenical Grand Ultreya at St. Catherine Laboure Saturday had a wonderful time. One Cursillistas enjoyed her/himself so much that a songbook was left behind. If you lost a songbook for Cursillo 132 Let God Transform You, you can arrange to pick it up at the church by calling Cathy at 858-277-3133. I would suggest that everyone put his/her name and phone number in the songbooks to prevent this happening to you.

Ultreya, Judy Anderson



Judy Potter has sold her home in Desert Hot Springs and moved back to the East Coast to be with her sister. Her last Sunday at St. Anthony's of-the-Desert was February 24. In her usual "I don't want to be a bother to anyone" fashion, she is not making a big deal about this.

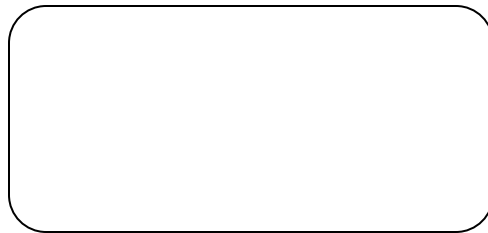
BUT IT IS A BIG DEAL!

Judy's been around San Diego Episcopal Cursillo since before the turn of the century, worked many teams, was Rectora of Cursillo #110, Member of the Secretariat, and Palanca coordinator for our San Diego Cursillo community sending and receiving Palanca for Cursillo weekends all over the world. **IT IS A BIG DEAL!**

If you had the chance to get to Desert Hot Springs on February 24 for the farewell celebration of Judy's life and ministry in our Diocese and took some pictures, please send a picture of the festivities to Sharon Vanden Bosch at jimsharon@cox.net, for our next Forward in April.

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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*

