



Forward

Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego

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Our Mission: To Christianize Environments and Develop Lay Leadership

View from the chair:

I was at a loss as to what I needed to write. I feel a sense of frustration but at the same time a sense of hope.

The frustration coming from the fact that we could not even get 24 people on the last weekend; but the hope being that the 15 people who did make the weekend found a community still vibrant and open, where the mandate of Jesus "to love one another" is embraced and encouraged.

The frustration coming from the fact that our community has become dormant in many ways and in many churches, but the hope being that we still have many Cursillistas in our churches whose lives were changed, who became active in their parishes because of the tools they were given on their weekend.

The frustration coming from the fact that many of the pastors of the churches in our diocese seem to forget that many of the vestry members and committee chairs are Cursillistas and it was on their Cursillo weekend where they found a new sense of commitment to the parish; but the hope being that there are some pastors, including our Spiritual Director Fr. George Calvert, who understand the impact Cursillo has had on the parish; embracing the message of Cursillo and encouraging their congregation to attend a weekend.

However, my frustration has not discouraged me because there are some very positive things happening in our Diocese. We have a Secretariat that is committed to helping Cursillo grow. We have the total support of Bishop Mathes, and the Diocesan Corporation has agreed to designate a Cursillo Sunday where Cursillistas will be encouraged to witness and

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our Parish Reps will be able to promote Cursillo. As I said above, there are clergy who support the Cursillo Movement, and I hope that they will continue to let the other clergy in the diocese know the impact that Cursillo has had on their parish. Fr. George and Bruce Weir have begun the process of getting the Spanish Cursillo reactivated. But most of all we have you, our Cursillistas.

We have set a deadline of July 21st as the date where we would like commitments for the October weekend. We do not need applications just commitments. It is not too early to start looking at the members of your parish who might benefit and enjoy a Cursillo weekend.

Ultreya,

Linda Lyons

Ultreyas

Saturday, June 27
St. Alban's El Cajon
Potluck 6:00 P.M.
Ultreya 7:00 P.M.



Saturday, August 22
St. Andrew's La Mesa
Potluck 11:00 A.M.
Ultreya 12 Noon

Look for the next Forward in early August
Articles, calendar events and other materials are due
(preferably in Word format)
no later than July 24. Send to:

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Congratulations to Craig Noble on being chosen as Rector for Cursillo Weekend #127!

**The co-ed weekend will be held October 22-25,
2009 at Camp Stevens.**

The following was sent to all Parish Reps last month. Please be thinking of possible candidates in your parish, speak with your priest and then speak with the prospect. Funds are available to cover sponsorship costs (\$110/candidate) if you cannot do so.

Judy Anderson, Parish Rep Coordinator

Dear Parish Reps,

The Secretariat needs your help! It takes 24 candidates in order to break even on a weekend. Last weekend we had 15 beautiful Cursillistas, but that was below our goal.

The fall weekend will be October 22-25, at Camp Stevens, and we are asking that you pledge not only the number of candidates, but also the names of the candidates by July 21st. The paperwork does not need to be submitted by July 21; just give us a list of names of the people that you or others have talked to about the Cursillo and who have indicated that they are interested in going on the fall weekend. We want names, not just numbers, so we have an estimate of potential candidates, not just wishful thinking.

Please e-mail Judy Anderson with your list of names on or before July 21st.

Your friend in Christ,

Father George



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JUNE

27 Ultreya, St. Alban's El Cajon, 6:00 PM

JULY

21 Candidate pledges due for Fall Cursillo weekend

24 Forward articles due (see p. 2)

AUGUST

6 Secretariat Meeting, Good Samaritan, 6:30 PM

13 Ultreya, St. Andrew's La Mesa, 11:00 AM