



Forward

Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego

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Our Mission: To Christianize Environments and Develop Lay Leadership

From the Chair

For this issue, I thought I'd be more informal and just share with you some community news.

First of all, Cursillo is a movement within the Church and, as a result, must have the blessing and support of the diocesan bishop to be legitimate. One way the bishop expresses his support to the community is by issuing a Pastoral Plan. Although only recently ordained, I am thrilled to report that Bishop James Mathes recently signed and issued a Pastoral Plan for our community. This plan is now on the Cursillo website. Look it up and see what Bishop Mathes wants us to focus on for at least the next year.

As you read this, the Spring weekends and Fourth Day events are over and we are looking forward to the Fall activities. This Fall is going to be really exciting. We are having only one weekend, and that weekend is going to be co-ed. I can't tell you a lot about the nuts and bolts of this thing because the planning phase for this special weekend is just starting. I believe that the Lord is leading our community to "think outside of the box" and this will certainly make us do that. As this project moves forward, here are some of the things you can do to help:

Pray, pray, and pray some more for the brothers and sisters who are planning this unique weekend

Join the Servant Community committee who will be helping with the planning

For those of you who enjoy the challenge of something different; submit your application for the Fall weekend team

Start looking for gals, guys, or couples to sponsor this Fall

And lastly, please pray that those participating in this weekend will continually seek His will as they seek a different way to give the gift of Cursillo.

Talking about different, our Spring Weekends were especially exciting because some of the attendees came from groups new to our community. Because of the hard work and dedication of Bob Bauer and the folks at St. Luke, members from the San Diego Sudanese Community attended Cursillo for the first time. I am told that St. Luke's intends to be out in full force in the Fall. Joining them this Spring were some Lutheran brothers and sisters. I understand that folks from St. Mark's in Chula Vista will be coming this fall. The past weekends also included attendees from Las Vegas, who are the first of what may become a growing number of Cursillistas in that city. Additionally, I recently received a call from a Cursillista who is interested in sponsoring some

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brothers and sisters who belong to a large Vietnamese congregation in Linda Vista. I told him we would love to have them attend this Fall and promised to work with him to make that happen. In a Bible study I attended a few years ago, I learned a principle that I think applies here. The principle was "Look where God is working, then go there and join Him." The turnout for the Spring weekends leads me to believe that God is working to open up new sponsorship vistas for our community. Let's go join Him and make the most of every opportunity He provides to bring Cursillo to new groups in our diocesan family.

Lastly, I hope all of you have had a chance to read Larry Salvadori's excellent article in the April *Church Times*. I recently learned that one Cursillista made the decision to attend this Spring because of that article. It rang true to him and he came to find out about Cursillo firsthand. Larry and his "Hollywood Committee" are working hard to promote Cursillo in the diocese. They are doing this through the development of various types of presentations that try to clearly answer the question "What is Cursillo" and "What can it do for me?" Church Times articles, placing Cursillo event information on the diocesan website, developing an informational video for seekers, and creating new brochures for parish representatives are just a few examples of the products they are working on. I'm excited about this because telling the truth about Cursillo will help correct some of the misinformation that exists outside our community. Now is the time for us to lovingly tell our side of the story. Larry and his folks are doing that and I'm glad for it. I hope you are too!

Utreya,

Darryl

Notice!!!

Welcome New Cursillistas!

Notice!!!

Our community newsletter, the *Forward*, will be mailed to all new Cursillistas for two editions after they have attended their weekend. After that, you have a choice of continuing to receive it through the mail, or through e-mail notification of the newsletter being posted on the San Diego Cursillo website: www.sdcursillo.org

Please let Barbara Taylor know whether you prefer receiving this newsletter via mail, or e-mail notification: just4taylor@cox.net

If you are so led, you may send a donation, made payable to *Cursillos In Christianity*, to help offset the publication and mailing costs. Suggested donation is \$10. Mail to:

Cursillos In Christianity
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San Diego, CA 92103-6397

From the Spiritual Director...

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life.

The Nicene Creed

These words from the Nicene Creed imply that the Holy Spirit is God and the giver of all life, both natural and supernatural. The Spirit swept over the waters in Genesis 1:2, helping form the creation and bringing natural life into existence. On the day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit again came to re-create people, filling them with the supernatural life of the risen Christ. The Holy Spirit is the giver of Jesus' risen life to anyone who is willing to believe that "Christ is risen."

On the day of Pentecost Jews were gathered in Jerusalem to celebrate the Jewish festival of Pentecost, the feast of weeks, a holiday that fell 50 days after Passover, to celebrate the giving of the Jewish law and the birth of the Jewish nation. (Exodus 34:22) They were devout Jews from many nations; the Holy Spirit came upon them and brought new and supernatural life. They could hear the Gospel being preached each in their own tongues. The Spirit was bringing the presence of the risen Christ into them, re-creating them into new people and forming them into the church. Please take the time to read Acts chapter 2, everyone should read the Pentecost account very carefully. It is a creation story; it should be a story that calls to mind how the Holy Spirit has been re-creating you. The Holy Spirit should be your giver of life, you should know of the supernatural work of the Spirit in your life. You may not have experienced the miracle of hearing the Gospel in different languages, but every time the Spirit stirs inside of us it is a miracle, some life beyond natural life enters the depths of our being and re-creates us and moves us into a new stage of life. Every Christian should know the Holy Spirit as the giver of life and be able to tell our own Pentecost stories. The first Pentecost of the coming of the Holy Spirit is just the first of many comings of the Holy Spirit. Pentecost is a re-occurring event, the Holy Spirit should come at many different times and ways to give us life. Do you have your own Pentecost story when the Holy Spirit worked a miracle in you and became your giver of life?

Your friend in Christ,

Father George Calvert



From the Rector #115

I am humbled and honored to have been asked to serve the Lord as rector of Cursillo 115. I feel privileged to be serving with Desi Foster.

This will be a very special weekend, as it is the first coed Cursillo for the San Diego community. With much prayer, the Lord's guidance, and the help of the San Diego Cursillo community, we will make this happen. There is much to be planned and that process has already begun. I am in prayer to ask the Lord to help put our team together. Desi and I are talking frequently and we talk with the Servant community soon. After that things will move rapidly. If your prayer brings you a desire to serve the Lord and the Cursillo community, please fill out a work application on line and send it to me by e-mail at schneider4@adelphia.net or 2961 Elm Street, Yuma, Arizona, 85364.

I look forward to the joy that the next five months will bring.

Ultreya
Yours in Christ

Chip Schneider

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## From the Rectora #116

It is such an honor to be asked to be the Rectora for Cursillo 116. I never thought that I would be in the position to do something totally new in our San Diego Cursillo, and I couldn't think of anyone better than Chip to share the responsibility with. I wasn't sure about the whole idea of a coed weekend, but I have found through prayer and meditation that there is so much to be gained in this venture. God in His wisdom will lead us, and I will do my best to pay attention to His direction. I believe that we all, old Cursillistas and new, have an opportunity to find new respect and honor in what we do, and God will bless the candidates as he always does.

In any case it is proving to be an interesting and exciting experience. It is good to find that we are not as different as it would seem. I am looking forward to the June 11<sup>th</sup> Servant Community meeting and the information that it will bring from all of you. This is a time to learn from each other, and I pray that it will bring new growth to our Cursillo Movement.

Aloha ke Akua  
(God is love)  
  
Desi Foster  
Rectora Cursillo 116

**TALL, QUIET, UNASSUMING AND FAITHFUL IS HOW ONE COULD DESCRIBE HARRY PACKARD. RECENTLY HARRY STEPPED DOWN AS EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, PUBLISHER, AND PROBABLY HAS DONE EVERY OTHER JOB THAT IS REQUIRED TO PUT OUT THE FORWARD, OUR CURSILLO NEWSLETTER. THIS IS A TASK THAT HARRY HAS DONE FOR OVER 10 YEARS.**

**HARRY MADE CURSILLO #3, AND HE WAS RECTOR FOR CURSILLO #19. CAN WE COUNT BACKWARD AND FIGURE OUT HOW MANY YEARS AGO THAT WAS? MOST OF US PROBABLY DON'T WANT TO KNOW! ALMOST 20 YEARS AGO, HARRY AND HIS WIFE ANN WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPING AND BRINGING INTO BEING THE "BACK TO THE MOUNTAIN" WEEKEND, WHICH HAS BEEN ENJOYED BY SO MANY OF US OVER THE YEARS. WHAT IS NOW CALLED THE SERVANT COMMUNITY, AND USED TO BE CALLED THE LEADER'S WORKSHOP, HARRY HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN BOTH OF THEM**

**HARRY CAN ALSO BE SEEN ESCORTING HIS WIFE ANN AROUND TO N.E.C. ACTIVITIES, AS SHE HAS BEEN THE WESTERN DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE FOR NATIONAL EPISCOPAL CURSILLO. BOTH ANN AND HARRY HAVE BEEN MEMBERS OF ST. DAVID'S PARISH FOR OVER 40 YEARS.**

**THANK YOU, MERCI BEAUCOUP, MUCHAS GRACIAS, DOMD OBRIGADO, OBRIGADO, AND GRAZIE! HARRY, WE CANNOT THANK YOU ENOUGH FOR THE WONDERFUL JOB YOU HAVE DONE FOR SO LONG. YOU HAVE KEPT OUR COMMUNITY IN COMMUNITY WITH YOUR VERY ABLE COMMUNICATION SKILLS.**

### New Cursillistas #113

|                  |                                   |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Richard Avila    | St. Dunstan's, San Carlos         |
| Diar Diar        | St. Lukes, San Diego              |
| Emery Gerhart    | Christ the Cornerstone - Lutheran |
| Gary Gilbert     | St. Anne's, Oceanside             |
| Steve Munzinger  | St. Bartholomew's, Poway          |
| Patrick Murphy   | Grace in the Desert               |
| John Mustol      | St. Lukes, San Diego              |
| Michael Reynard  | St. Paul's, Yuma                  |
| Bob Rohrbach     | Good Samaritan, Universal City    |
| Floyd Ross       | Christ Episcopal, Coronado        |
| Robert Schaal    | St. Paul's, Yuma                  |
| Ronnie Swinehart | St. Paul's, Yuma                  |

### New Cursillistas #114

|                   |                                   |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Marie Bosold      | St. Bartholomew's, Poway          |
| Helen Deng        | St. Lukes, San Diego              |
| Sally Durand      | St. Lukes, San Diego              |
| Elaine Fox        | St. Timothy's, Rancho Penasquitos |
| Lisa Gilbert      | St. Anne's, Oceanside             |
| Anne Holman       | Good Shepherd, Bonita             |
| Lois Johnston     | St. Anne's, Oceanside             |
| Julie Mainland    | St. Paul's, Yuma                  |
| Elizebeth Mardama | St. Lukes, San Diego              |
| Candy McFeely     | St. Anne's, Oceanside             |
| Joanna Miller     | Good Shepherd, Bonita             |
| Pat Mozelewski    | St. Paul's, Yuma                  |
| Yvonne Reynard    | St. Paul's, Yuma                  |
| Mary Schaal       | St. Paul's, Yuma                  |
| Lynette Skippon   | St. Lukes, San Diego              |
| Christine Taylor  | St. Peter's, Del Mar              |
| Elizabeth Vosper  | St. Bartholomew's, Poway          |
| Margaret Whaley   | St. Andrew's, La Mesa             |
| Marv Wiocins      | St. Columba's Lakeside            |

**ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!**

**This is the last time this scholarship will be offered if we receive no response!**



## **THE DENNIS FOWLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Dennis Fowle Memorial Scholarship Fund was established following his death in 1998. His wife, Connie, and his four children, Christopher, Andrew, Timothy and Jessica, could think of no better way to use the gracious and generous gifts sent to the family at that time. Dennis strived to have his children comprehend the value of an education and hard work; this ethic is so instilled in them that they want it to be valued and remembered.

The Cursillo Community was selected as the recipient of this gift because of Dennis's involvement in Cursillo, New Beginnings and Happening, all ministries that were very dear to him.

One five hundred dollar scholarship will be awarded at the end of September. An application for that scholarship is enclosed in this newsletter. To be eligible for the award a student must:

1. Be the child or grandchild of a member of the San Diego Episcopal Diocese Cursillo Community.
2. Be currently enrolled in a vocational, community or 4-year college.
3. Have completed the first full year of their study program.

Applications need to be received by August 15, 2005. They should be mailed to: The Dennis Fowle Memorial Scholarship Committee, 2728 Sixth Avenue, San Diego, CA 92103.

The Year 2005 selection committee members are: Connie Fowle, Ted Parsons and Jessica Fowle.

If you have questions, please call Connie at 760-630-8173 or Canon Deacon Jenny Vervynck at the Office of the Bishop, 619-291-5947.

# The Dennis Fowle Memorial Scholarship Application Form

**The Dennis Fowle Memorial Scholarship is available to selected children and grandchildren of current residents of the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego who have attended Cursillo. The annual selection will be based on citizenship, scholarship and need. The recipient must currently be enrolled in a college or vocational school. The scholarship funding will be paid directly to the school of attendance for tuition or other educational expenses. Funds will be distributed by September 1 of each year.**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

School Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Major or Area of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Study - Fall, 2003    circle one: Sophomore    Junior    Senior (4 year college)

2nd Year - Community College or Vocational School    Post Graduate

Current Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable:  
Grandmother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grandfather's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently employed? \_\_\_\_\_ Where: \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs/Week: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please complete the financial worksheet on the back of this page and attach a one-page essay. The essay should explain your scholastic goals and how the scholarship would help achieve those goals. Please also include a description of your participation in your community and your church.*

*Please include a copy of all college and vocational school transcripts.*

*Return the completed application and materials by **August 15, 2005** to:*

*The Dennis Fowle Memorial Scholarship Committee  
2728 Sixth Avenue  
San Diego, CA 92103*

Questions? Call the Rev. Canon Jenny Vervynck, Office of the Bishop, (619) 291-5947

## FINANCIAL WORKSHEET—DENNIS FOWLE SCHOLARSHIP

|                                 | Current Semester | Next Semester |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>Income \$</b>                |                  |               |
| Employment                      | _____            | _____         |
| Scholarships                    | _____            | _____         |
| Financial Aid                   | _____            | _____         |
| Other                           | _____            | _____         |
| <b>Total Income \$</b>          | _____            | _____         |
| <b>Expenses \$</b>              |                  |               |
| Rent                            | _____            | _____         |
| Utilities                       | _____            | _____         |
| Transportation                  | _____            | _____         |
| Fuel                            | _____            | _____         |
| Food                            | _____            | _____         |
| Books                           | _____            | _____         |
| Tuition                         | _____            | _____         |
| Clothes                         | _____            | _____         |
| Misc.                           | _____            | _____         |
| <b>Total Expenses \$</b>        | _____            | _____         |
| Total Income                    | _____            | _____         |
| Total Expenses                  | _____            | _____         |
| Difference<br>(INCOME-EXPENSES) | _____            | _____         |



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**CURSILLO WORK APPLICATION**  
**Weekends 115 & 116**

Weekend       Men's Team       Sunday Angel       Weekend       Women's Team       Sunday Angel   
 My age group:      Under 30       40-50       50-60       >60

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| <b>NAME:</b>          |  |
| <b>ADDRESS:</b>       |  |
| <b>CITY/ZIP</b>       |  |
| <b>HOME PHONE</b>     |  |
| <b>WORK PHONE</b>     |  |
| <b>FAX NUMBER</b>     |  |
| <b>EMAIL ADDRESS:</b> |  |

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

When and where did you make your Cursillo? \_\_\_\_\_

Cursillo Work Experience (list most recent first please include date/duties/rollos):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please comment on any special talents or interests that you would like God to use during the Cursillo Weekend; including musical talents, altar guild, acolytes, calligraphy, artistic talent, chalice bearer, palanca, etc.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I am currently involved in a Group Reunion:      Yes       No       Explain below:  
\_\_\_\_\_

I can participate in the Day of Deeper Understanding (usually 2-3 weeks after Cursillo) Yes      No  
If no please explain:  
Any special diet or health needs?  
Do you have any physical limitations?

Anything else you feel led to say:

**Send Team Application directly to Rector(a)**

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### JUNE

11 Servant Community Meeting, Good Samaritan, 9:00 a.m.,  
followed by Secretariat Meeting at 12:30 p.m.

### JULY

7 Secretariat Meeting @ Good Samaritan, 6:30 p.m.

25 Deadline for August Forward articles  
(e-mail to [petra\\_orta@yahoo.com](mailto:petra_orta@yahoo.com))

### AUGUST

4 Secretariat Meeting @ Good Samaritan, 6:30 p.m.



**Don't Forget!!**

Servant Community / Secretariat

Saturday, June 11

9:00 am to ??

Church of the Good Samaritan

Please Note: The sponsor and candidate applications for the  
Fall weekend are available from your parish rep, or can be  
downloaded from the San Diego Cursillo website:  
[www.sd cursillo.org](http://www.sd cursillo.org)