





It has been an honor to be the Chair this year and a member of the Secretariat for the last three. I will miss the monthly meetings and the people I've gotten to know so well. My mission, if you can call it that, for my year as Chair of the Secretariat was to build up the Servant Community. I think we've made a good start. I've pleased and thankful to see both new Cursillistas involved and familiar faces when we get together.

When you work a weekend for the first time, you see the Cursillo Method in a completely new light as you serve the candidates and get in on the behind the scenes preparation and activity. Serving on Secretariat and/or Servant Community gives another valuable perspective of the Cursillo Movement.

Particularly exciting is having five Cursillistas who have never before been on the Secretariat serving next year. On a personal level, I'm a bit sad that my three year term is over and will not have the privilege of being on Secretariat with them next year. However, I plan to find a way to make myself useful to the Cursillo Community next year.

Have a **Blessed Christmas Season** and see you at a future Cursillo event. Ultreya!

Susan Miller, 2014 Chair, San Diego Episcopal Cursillo

# FROM YOUR SPIRITUAL ADVISOR





Second Comings of Christ. But often, the focus in Advent tends to be on the First Coming of Christ at Christmas; the Second Coming is often ignored. To ignore the Second Coming is to leave out one of the most important aspects of the Christian faith.

I want to explain why I believe in the Second Coming. I do not understand how or when the Second Coming will happen, but I believe it <u>will</u> happen for the following four reasons:

- 1. **Completion** Christ's saving work that began in a manger in Bethlehem must be brought to completion. God would not send His Son into the world and then leave the work He began incomplete. The Second Coming is the completion of Christ's Saving Work. Everyone who is going to be saved will be saved, completely saved, when Christ comes again. We should look forward to the Completion of Salvation because to be completely saved is the ultimate state of human existence.
- 2. **Judgment** God, who created the world, will, in the Second Coming, have the final pronouncement on what is true and false, what is good and evil. What is false and evil will be destroyed. What is true and good will endure and become part of the new creation, the City of God, that which is symbolically described in Revelation, Chapter 21. A Christian who has a personal relationship with Jesus Christ should not fear the Judgment, because we know that the Judge is our friend, and so loves us that He died for the forgiveness of our sins. As forgiven sinners, we will stand before Jesus, trusting not in our own righteousness, but in His righteousness.

Standing in Christ's righteousness, we will not come before Him in fear and shame, but looking forward to His judgment upon our lives. We will know our sins will not count against us, and we will see the true importance and significance of our lives on earth. We will see ourselves from God's perspective and we will see our work as fulfilling God's larger purposes. We will see that our whole life on earth has been a preparation, getting us ready for our Judgment Day. We should look forward to Christ's coming judgment and therefore, to His Second Coming.

3. **Hope** - Jesus Christ has shown Himself to be the hope of the world through His resurrection - He is the first person saved. His resurrection is the proof of salvation; the Second Coming is the end of the process of the salvation of this world and the visible manifestation of the Risen Christ to the whole world. Because I believe in the resurrection, I must live with the expectation that Jesus will come again to complete His resurrection work. Because of this Resurrection Hope inside of me, I believe in the Second Coming. The Second Coming of Christ is the fulfillment of our hope, that when Jesus comes, goodness will triumph over evil and Salvation will be completed. This is our hope. It is important that we have this hope and we can only have this hope if Christ comes again.

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**December 2014** 



Dec 6 Saturday, 8:30am—Servant Community

Dec 6 Saturday, 11am—Secretariat

Dec 6 Saturday, 1pm—Christmas Party

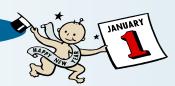
Dec 23 Tuesday, COB—Last day to Register for Back to the Mountain

Dec 25 Thursday, The Lord's Day, Christmas

Dec 31 Wednesday, New Years Eve

# **MERRY CHRIST-MAS**

January 2015





#### Jan 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR

<u>Jan 9-11, 2015</u> Friday 7pm to Sunday noon—Back to the Mountain at Camp Stevens

Jan 17 Saturday, 6pm Potluck; 7pm Ultreya

Jan 18 Sunday, Cursillo Sunday

Jan 24 Saturday, 9am—3pm, Secretariat Retreat

Jan 31 Forward Deadline\_



February 2015

<u>Feb 13—14</u> Friday, 8am & Saturday 8am 41st San Diego Episcopal Diocesan Convention <u>Feb 14</u> Saturday, Valentines Day <u>Feb 27</u> Friday, 6pm Potluck; 7pm Ultreya

#### HAPPY VALENTINES DAY



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# — Help Wanted —

Historian—-Alternate Webmaster

*If any of these sound interesting, contact a secretariat member for more information.* 

From Your Spiritual Advisor Cont.

4. **Glory** - God's glory is largely hidden in our present world. We only see glimpses of God's glory, in the resurrection, miracles, God's Word, in acts of love, etc. But God's glory will not always remain hidden. When Jesus comes again His glory will become apparent to the entire world. He will come in great power and glory, and God will directly, universally and triumphantly reveal Himself. God will show His glory to the world. I believe it is in God's nature to show His glory, and the Second Coming is the showing of God's glory to the world, so I *must* believe in His Second Coming.

In summary, I believe in the Second Coming because God is a God of Completion, Judgment, Hope and Glory. The very nature of God points to the Second Coming. I believe with all my heart that Jesus is coming again. I hope you, also, will believe and look forward to His Second Coming. "Come, Lord Jesus, Come"; Your friend in Christ, Father George

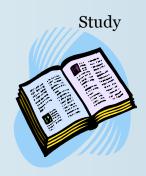
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#### Back to the Mountain (BTTM) - January 9 - 11, 2015

The theme for the weekend is Refresh, Refocus & Rest in the Lord. The Bible verse is Psalm 37:5 – Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him and He will act.

Jeanne Salvadori and I will be hosting the weekend. Somethie summer to be intentional at study. In our busy lives, we both discussed how we each have difficulty set aside time to intentionally be with God either with prayer, study, etc. We are looking for this weekend to give us all the tools to do this.

After all the busyness of Christmas, it's great to have an opportunity at the beginning of the year to Refresh, Refocus & Rest in the Lord so we can start fresh with our relationship with the Him. Also during that time, we get the opportunity to spend time with friends and make new friends. There is social time, alone time and so much more. We look forward to having you all participate. The applications are on the website – <a href="https://www.sdcursillo.org">www.sdcursillo.org</a>. The cost is \$140 per person if received before December 23, 2014. It is \$150 after that date. The deadline is December 31. If you would like to have dinner at Camp Stevens on Friday night, there is an additional \$7.50 charge. Where else can you get a place to stay & 4 meals at that price and have the wonderful Julian experience at Camp Stevens.

# Servant Community Quarterly Meetings St. Dunstan's. Saturday Mornings

March 14, 2015 June 6, 2015 September 19, 2015 December 5,2015

Mark Your Calendar Now! Bring a Friend!

Retiring from the Secretariat in 2014: **Rev. Babs Meair**s, St. Timothy's, Rancho Penasquitos; **Ed Embick**, St. Timothy's, Rancho Penasquitos; **Judy Anderson**, St. Dunstan's, San Diego; **Susan Miller**, Good Shepherd, Bonita. Thank you for serving faithfully od helping to make Cursillo a dynamic influence for Christ in San Diego.

Farewell)

#### WELCOME, NEW SECRETARIAT MEMBERS!

Congratulations to those who were elected to the Secretariat at the Grand Ultreya last month. Six were elected, 5 lay and 1 clergy, to a variety of terms. A full term is three years. Two of our members moved recently, and the shorter terms fill the remainder of their terms. Bios for some are included in this issue.

Elected to 3 year terms: **Rev. Bob Nelson**, Deacon at large;

Eileen Pierce, St. Columba's, Santee; Katherine Gordon, St. James, La Jolla; Debbie Kistler, St. Phillips, Lemon Grove Pete Wolfinger, St. Bartholomew's, Poway

2 year term: Pete Wolf 1 year term: Jill McGr

**Jill McGrew**, St. Mark's Lutheran, Chula Vista





# to the Secretariat, Jill & Bob

#### Jill McGrew

In September, I retired from legal assistant to an estate planning attorney and recently moved to Encinitas to be closer to family. My daughter, Lisa is a teacher, lives in Del Mar, and has 16 year old twins with cerebral palsy. I have another daughter, Stacy with a grandson 15 and granddaughter 13. Stacy is a principal in Burbank. I have been a member of St Mark's Lutheran for 35 years. I enjoyed my Cursillo weekend so look forward to passing it forward

### The Rev. Robert A. (Bob) Nelson, Deacon

Ordained to the diaconate June 9, 2001, after serving 38 years in city management for 5 California cities. A graduate of UCLA in business education, Bob attended USC in public administration, and the Episcopal Theological School (ETSC) at Claremont for his diaconal formation. Bob has served on the staffs of Good Samaritan, San Diego; St. Peter's, Del Mar; and St. Anne's, Oceanside. In October 2012 Bishop James Mathes designated Bob as deacon-at-large rotating to several parishes for 7-12 week periods introducing the diaconate and encouraging parish involvement in spreading the Gospel in the community. Bob's Cursillo journey started with Cursillo 79, April 1996. His Reunion Group has met most every Friday morning since then. He has served on 7 Cursillo weekends. Bob's service to the Diocese includes: Diocesan Council, Budget Committee, Committee on Ordained Ministry, Property Committee, Association of Episcopal Deacons (AED), trainer for Eucharistic Visitor and Worship Leader licensing, and Diocesan Jubilee Officer (DJO). His primary ministry now is the Showers of Blessings providing shower facilities to person who are homeless. Bob is married to Suzanne Foucault.

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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!" 15.4 6:8

