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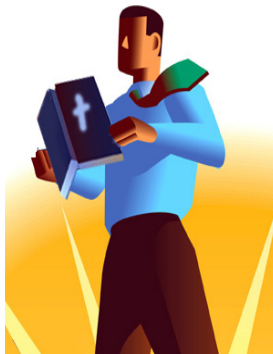


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"Something Worth Crowing About"



Happy Easter Season...



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It is such a joyous occasion to see all of our churches filled at Eastertide as we celebrate Our Lord's Resurrection. Throughout the season, we experience the "smells and bells" of our faith from the flowers to the incense and these awaken and renew our souls. As new Catholics enter the church, we also welcome others into our movement by inviting them to live their weekends.

It is great to hear how so many are living their 4th day! We have Cursillistas that will be ordained into the permanent diaconate on June 11th. Living with the fire of the Holy Spirit, these men will help our church daily, but also in ways we do not yet know!

The National Encounter is to be held at Chapman University in Orange, CA on July 21-24. Registration is now open on the National Cursillo Website – <https://www.natl-cursillo.org/>.

As we look forward to Pentecost, let's remember to pray the Novena to the Holy Spirit together. The novena begins on May 27th and ends on June 5th. May we be filled as the first apostles and disciples were to spread the Gospel to all the corners of the earth
DeColores!

Theresa Gorman
Lay Director





**A Word From
Deacon
Joe Mueller**

THERE WAS A BLESSING IN DISGUISE

A royal advisor to a great king was famous for finding the positive side of everything. One day the king fell from his horse, injuring his foot so badly that it grew infected and had to be amputated. When the advisor calmly told the king, "Don't worry, everything happens for the best." The king angrily ordered him thrown into the dungeon.

Soon after on an ocean voyage, the king was shipwrecked and captured by islanders who planned to sacrifice him to their gods. But once the natives spotted the king's imperfection, they let him go. Their gods would not be pleased with the king's defective leg.

When the king returned home, he went directly to the dungeon and immediately freed his advisor. "You were right," the king apologized. "Everything does work out for the best."*

How often do we fret with fear and anxiety over our life's situations? We often forget to put our trust in God. We come to find out that our life most often works out for the best if we rely on the Lord in those unfortunate circumstances. God does work in mysterious ways.

**Adapted from "Everything Happens for the Good."*



"We come to give back."

Come back and experience working on a team,
and you will also understand the 2nd part of a worker's comments, which is:

"It is in giving that we receive."

Please keep the Cursillo In Christianity Movement in your prayers as we restart! For anyone reading this who may have never worked on a weekend team, please consider working one of the upcoming fall weekends, and try to sponsor a candidate. Without you or candidates, there is no Cursillo !

WOMEN'S HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Our anti-abortion ministry website now has a donate button! Our Movement is worth supporting.



SUMMER NATIONAL ENCOUNTER

The next National Encounter will be held
July 21 – 24, 2022
at Chapman University,
1 University Dr, Orange, CA 92866.

Prayers Needed

**For our Regional
Spiritual Director,
Deacon Mike Martini,
who is battling cancer.**

**For Deacon Rick Risher,
who had to step down from his role
as Spiritual Director.**



John 10:22-30

Friends, in this Gospel, Jesus declared that “the Father and I are one.” Jesus appeared two thousand years ago and announced that he had been sent by the Father. There was a strange “something more” regarding Jesus, for he spoke and acted in the very person of God. The first Christians had to come to grips with this strange duality: somehow Jesus was Son of God, both sent and divine. He was other than the Father, but somehow at the same level as the Father. Things got more complicated when the Holy Spirit came upon them. Therefore, there seemed to be a Father (the one who sent Jesus), a Son (the one who was both sent and God), and a Holy Spirit (the divine one whom both the Father and Son had sent). Three but yet all the one God of Israel. We invoke the Trinity when we make the sign of the cross. This juxtaposition of Trinity and cross is by no means accidental. For the cross is the moment when the tensive unity of the three divine persons is on most vivid display.

Bishop Robert Barron

Please send in your applications so we can plan the next 3-day Cursillo!

Go to mobilecursillo.org for applications and send to the Secretariat!



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https://www.natl-cursillo.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/CNN_2021_10_ALLSAINTS_ENDr2.pdf



*Something Worth
Crowing About*

THIS AND THAT

Last weekend Deacon Joe Mueller and I attended the men's retreat weekend at Blessed Trinity Shrine. It started on Friday night and ended on Sunday afternoon. The weekend was built around the gospel of Saint Luke. The presenter was Father Guy Wilson from Camden, Mississippi. It was presented in a style very similar to Cursillo. Father did a wonderful job delivering his presentation. He is a man who is truly in love with Christ, and was very comfortable in his presentation to the group, 50% of which were Cursillistas. He made everyone in attendance feel relaxed and comfortable, which made for a wonderful weekend!

The new Executive Director Elizabeth Donner has done a wonderful job redoing the interior of the retreat center. They repainted, added new photographs throughout the center and reworked the rooms. The only negative I found was the kitchen. They have a new cook and she has a way to go. If and when we have a Cursillo I think you will enjoy all the new improvements, and the cook will be more experienced!

Sam Genovese



First, thank you to all who responded "yes" to the upcoming Rector(a)'s Workshop. It's a go! Having said that, the more the merrier. One of the most commonly asked questions I receive is "When are we having a 3-Day Cursillo?" Of course, short of candidate applications, we must have team members formed in the Movement. This Workshop introduces us to the Guide that will replace the previous 3-day manual. Come one, come all! Let's get re-started!

If you do plan on attending, please send me a confirmation so that materials can be sent to you prior to the Workshop. It is a busy time of year, so while attending both workshops is preferred, the reality may be that you can attend only one and that's okay. Also, these will not be recorded, so please consider coming. Want to help lead and form the movement? Interested in more? Contact a Secretariat member or myself - we are always in need of energized Cursillistas in all the many areas of our diocese!

I would be remiss if I didn't profusely thank our Spiritual Advisor, Deacon Rick Risher, who has had to step down. He continues to be one of the best examples of Christianity in Action.

De Colores!

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A Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat wardrobe question: the response

"Elisabeth Donner, our Executive Director said that shorts are allowed. We only ask that guests wear modest clothing - nothing too short or that exposes excessive amount of skin (no crop tops, mini skirts, short shorts or extremely tight clothing)."

Have an amazing day!

Michelle Klockars