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# Cursillo Jottings



Greetings and welcome to Jottings with Cursillo information for your calendar.  
Marg Carr - Diocesan Lay Director

Dates for your diary!



During this Christmas season, we will be celebrating Hope, Peace, Love, Joy, along with Grace, our #83 theme for 2025. I pray that all will be abundant for you this Christmas and into the year ahead.

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\***March 15**  
Church of the Good Shepherd  
Bundaberg West  
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More dates TBA next year.  
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\***August 22-24 2025**  
#83 Combined weekend @ Glendalough  
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\***November 8**  
40th Anniversary  
Diocesan Ultreya @ St John's Cathedral.  
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Everyone is welcome!

**National Secretariat Meeting in Newcastle, October 25-27, 2024.**  
The opportunity for delegates from dioceses around Australia to meet and participate in the National Secretariat Meeting is always special. Participating in discussions and listening to how dioceses are adapting the content of Cursillo weekends and/or reconfiguring weekends, in an effort to modernise and reach more people, continues. It is this sharing that is so beneficial. Next year will continue to see variations on the packaging of Cursillo without losing authenticity. Cursillo Southern Queensland will continue to grow, even if slowly, and with the wonderful support of clergy and lay people working together, it has a bright future. The 2025 meeting will be held in Launceston, Tasmania from Oct 24-26. You are welcome to join the meeting.

The theme for #83 will be **GRACE: Because He Lives!** As we finish this year and look forward to an exciting 2025, I would like to congratulate our upcoming and newly commissioned #83 Weekend Lay Director, Ann Martin-Victor. Please pray for her and her team as they gather together. The date for team commissioning is **SATURDAY, MAY 10 at St George's Birkdale**. This weekend is a new venture for us. It will be a 2 night weekend, Friday to Sunday, similar to the first 1985/6 weekends.

Bp Cam is our Diocesan Advisor and Friend and he has requested this header on all Secretariat Role Descriptions.  
**"Cursillo is a movement of the Laos (laity and clergy working together). The Cursillo movement is within the Church and under the authority of the Episcopal Advisor & Friend, the Bishop".**  
We are truly blessed to have his guidance!

Thank you to Parish Contacts who, having received the poster and Parish contacts letter that I sent recently, have contacted me with details of changes to Parish Contacts or Cursillistas in their parish. Cursillo is indebted to all who have kept the Cursillo lamp alive—some for decades.



Cursillo came to Brisbane in 1985 from Canberra-Goulburn. Following a break, that diocese will be restarting in 2025. Praise God!



**PRAYING FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Kay and David Thomas, Leanne Goodall, Wayne Elliott, Mackenzie (Tony Shellshear's granddaughter)  
**2024 Rest in Peace:** Margaret Thurgood, David Haidley, Jill Beardmore, Doug Hoare, Geoff Robson, Alan Thomson, Jeanette Reason, Anne McAlister, June Horn, June Brown, Lyn McNeilly and Betty Christofis. Always loved!



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**Marg's 2024 reflection:** 2024 has been a poignant year for Cursillo in Southern Queensland. We all know the systemic issues of age and relocation that underly the Anglican Church in Australia and we are equally affected. Cursillo continues to be supported by so many faithful Cursillistas and Clergy and we are grateful for this. Many Clergy who have not done a Cursillo weekend are equally encouraging. We somehow missed a generation of lay and clergy attendees. How? Why? Cursillo has demonstrated, unequivocally, for decades how parishioners can be nurtured and grow in their faith. There is no doubt that parishes have benefitted greatly from Cursillo. Let's continue to look ahead and 'make a friend, be a friend and bring that friend to Christ'. **De Colores!**

**HAVE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED?**  
Please inform our new Database Coordinator  
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Make a friend.  
Be a friend.  
Bring a friend to Christ.

**Hope** - Pray that Cursillo will continue to grow in our Diocese  
**Peace** - Pray for world peace and God's calm over countries in turmoil.  
**Love** - our families, friends and community !