

What is Cursillo?

Many who have made their Cursillo retreat weekend have likened it to a personal encounter with Christ or being touched by the Holy Spirit.

Everyone experiences something different and is touched differently by the retreat weekend. The purpose of Cursillo is:

- A Movement of the Catholic Church which, by means of a specific method, makes it possible for people to live what is fundamental for being a Christian, and to live it together
- It helps people discover and fulfill their personal vocations.
- It promotes the creation of core groups of Christians who leaven their environments with the Gospel.
- It gives pride in being a Catholic Christian.

It Begins with

A three-day experience of living Christianity --- a little course (in Spanish, "Cursillo") --- in Christian community. Daily Mass, communion and visits to the Blessed Sacrament are available.

It Starts on Thursday evening and ends Sunday evening. During those three days those attending live and work together listening to talks given by priests, deacons and lay persons and participate in small group discussions.

The talks include topics which deal with life, the Christian ideal, the Catholic Faith and the Christian approach to the world.

It continues

With an invitation to form a small Christian support group which is joined to a larger Christ-centered community in the Diocese of Orange and around the world.

The community spirit of the weekend is continued through reunions of small groups of Christians and through Ultreyas or the gathering of the larger community.

With a method to work together to bring other men and women to know and love Christ.