



December 2018

Hi Everyone

Well, we are coming to the close of 2018. It has been a hectic year. I would like to reflect on a few things and encourage us all to look forward to the challenges, **but particularly the opportunities**, of 2019...

✚ **National Secretariat:** Our Secretariat Meeting in Cairns shared and prayed about many issues. I would just like to bring you up-to-date on a few of them:

- National Drop-Box – This has been discontinued and we are now using Google Drive. *This can be accessed for ACMA info, documents & other Cursillo data etc at:*
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1CEZhUP_cteLlZjqVPzf04834s7RgQ0?usp=sharing
- Dioceses going into recess – *Sadly, in the event of this occurring, we have had to formulate a process to keep doors & communication open while also protecting/maintaining data and resources. A flowchart is attached for guidance for any Diocese considering this – **BUT the first thing to do** is to contact National and advise Diocesan Cursillo is contemplating going into recess so that we might have a conversation about alternatives. Of course, when the Spirit prompts, the Diocese can come out of recess and re-activate. However, it is important to follow some sensible initial steps to allow this to happen - see attachment.*
 - **Can any Diocese in recess please check & update their contact details with either myself or our Secretary Paul (see email address over page)**
- Communication & Commitment is Connection – *These are the everyday strands that bind us together – let us all be diligent in practising them.*
- Encouragement – *Let each of us look outwards towards our neighbour – we, in Cursillo, have been given a calling – let us live that calling.*
- Redress Scheme – *Each Diocesan Cursillo should make sure that their Diocese lists Cursillo as one of its organisations in the Diocesan Return under the redress scheme. If it does then we need do nothing but if it doesn't then we are exposed to risk.*

✚ **2019 National Secretariat Meeting:** will be from 20th-23rd September 2019 - The venue is Lutanda Yarramundi previously known as River Park and is the site that Sydney use for their Cursillo Weekends. It is situated on the Nepean River and is approximately 11mins (12kms) from Richmond and 25mins (27kms) from Penrith.

- You can view the site at <http://lutanda.org.au/outdoor-conference-and-retreat-centres/yarramundi/> Details will come later.



- ✚ **National Website:** As you know Alan Gray is our Web Editor and our website is up, running and **awaiting more input from Diocesan Cursillistas – please send details of Ultreyas & events to Alan...** Website: <https://www.cursillo-australia.org/> Alan's details are:
 - **Alan Gray, Mob: 0425 288 985** Email: alangray48@icloud.com
- ✚ **Cursillo in Hong Kong:** National took Cursillo to Hong Kong from 12th-14th October at the request of Archbishop Paul Wong, and the Team were welcomed enthusiastically. The Candidates were amazing and inspired the Team. Attached to this letter is a short report on this historic venture.
 - *Hong Kong Cursillo was a mixed Cursillo – and Tasmania is trying a mixed Cursillo in 2019 – they would value your prayers*
- ✚ **Details of Diocesan Contacts for 2019:** The updating of Office-bearers is **urgent** so that we can start the year in a positive fashion. If you have already forwarded your Diocesan information, then I commend you – if you haven't **PLEASE UPDATE DETAILS NOW**. Send details to our Secretary Paul Doyle - Email: nationalcursillo@gmail.com
- ✚ **Cursillo Tour in Tasmania:** This is organised from 21st to 27th February 2019 – see national website (above) for info & contact details – there are still spots open – should be great – Barb & I are going – we hope to see some of you there...
- ✚ **2 Day Cursillos:** are being tried by some Dioceses – also short weekends of Renewal – we hope they will provide feedback for future reporting on our website.

Blessings to you all for your commitment and faithfulness in His Service.

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