Father Peyton Prayer Guild HOLY CROSS FAMILY MINISTRIES

For Members of the Worldwide Father Peyton Prayer Guild

United in Prayer for a Spiritual Cause



Feast Days:

- Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper,
 April 1
- Good Friday, The Passion of the Lord, April 2
- Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, April 4
- Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11
- Good Shepherd Sunday, April 25



From the Vice Postulator/Guild Director

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we approach Holy Week, I would like to share with you some hope-filled news. Father Pinto Paul, C.S.C., and his team are developing a prayer program for our young people who are members of the Father Peyton Prayer Guild. I had the opportunity to speak with Father Pinto about this exciting venture.

1. Father Pinto, how did you come up with the idea to teach young Father Peyton Prayer Guild members about Father Peyton, the Rosary, and the Catholic Faith?

Our President, Father Willy Raymond, C.S.C., and I visited some of our Family Rosary ministry centers in East Africa. While in Fort Portal, Uganda, we were privileged to join a spirited gathering of over 800 student members of the Father Peyton Prayer Guild (locally known as PPG's). The chapters are both well known and popular in many of our ministry centers. However, we learned that these youth didn't have many prayer resources. So, we thought it would be great to develop a prayer program to help them pray based on the Rosary's Mysteries in conjunction with Venerable Patrick Peyton's life.



A gathering of a student chapter of the Father Peyton Prayer Guild in Fort Portal, Uganda.

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"The Rosary is, in a spiritual sense, the food, air, and water of a family."

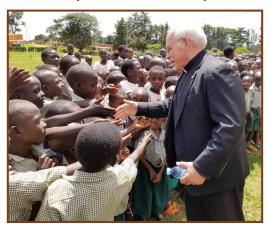
Venerable Patrick Peyton

2. Who is working with you to develop this prayer program?

We are blessed to have a dedicated team of staff from Holy Cross Family Ministries and several consultants developing this prayer program. The core team consists of Father Jilson Tom, C.S.C., Margaret Hogan, Michelle Hassan, Melissa Fitzpatrick, Sr. Ann Boland, Shirley Beaucaire, and myself.



Father Pinto Paul, C.S.C. (left) and Father Jim Phalan, C.S.C., (right) with a student chapter of the Father Peyton Prayer Guild in Piura, Peru.



Father Willy Raymond, C.S.C., greets the student members of the Father Peyton Prayer Guild in Fort Portal, Uganda.

3. What are the key goals of this program?

Firstly, the purpose of the chapters of Father Peyton Prayer Guild is to grow a worldwide community of people to pray for the Cause of Beatification and Canonization of Father Peyton. Secondly, it's to help them integrate Father Peyton's virtues into their family life.

4. What stage has this prayer program reached, and what lies ahead?

We have created themes drawn from the Mysteries of the Rosary and compiled craft activities and games related to the Mysteries. Currently, we're working to connect Father Peyton's life story for children to discover their identity and vocation. We plan to have a small-scale version of the program ready in June 2021 to garner feedback before moving forward.

Thank you, Father Pinto and team! It's heartening to know that our young people will be enriched by family Rosary prayer and the life of Venerable Patrick Peyton through this program. We will keep your good works in our prayers.

In Jesus and Mary,

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Father David S. Marcham Vice Postulator/Guild Director



Father Willy Raymond, C.S.C. (left), and the leaders and students of the Father Peyton Prayer Guild in Fort Portal, Uganda.



