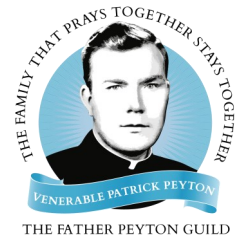


June 2018

# For Members of the Worldwide Father Peyton Guild

*United in Prayer for Spiritual Cause*



## From the Vice Postulator/Guild Director

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



Deacon Robert Craig, Father Willy Raymond C.S.C., Bishop Arthur Colgan C.S.C., and Bishop-Emeritus Howard Hubbard DD, celebrate mass with a banner of Venerable Patrick Peyton behind them.

This past Sunday was a tremendous day of celebration here at the Father Peyton Center in North Easton, MA and I want to thank each of you for your prayerful support! It began with a Eucharistic procession of over two hundred people along the Rosary Walk that led to a joy-filled Rosary prayer with hundreds more, while adoring our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. This was our preparation for a Mass of Thanksgiving presided over by Bishop Arthur (Bud) Colgan, C.S.C., with many, many families united as one family of Jesus Christ. It was a day that gave glory to God, prayerful recognition to the role of Our Blessed Mother, and thanks to God for the life of Venerable Patrick Peyton.

During his homily, Bishop Colgan, C.S.C., spoke of Father Peyton's boldness in promoting Family Rosary prayer. But for anyone who knew or has read about Father Peyton a natural question arises: where did this boldness ... this zeal come from? For those who knew him well, Pat Peyton and then Father Pat, was often described as shy and not a natural orator?

I think the answer is that though Father Peyton was naturally shy ... he was more deeply and strongly a man of faith ... someone who would have taken to heart **Matthew 5:13-16**: where Jesus reminds us that we are to be salt of the earth and light of the world.

My brothers and sisters, there is no way anyone from County Mayo, Ireland, could have predicted long ago that Pat Peyton as he left for the United States would one day lead so many families around the world to Our Lord and Our Blessed Mother through his preaching on praying the Family Rosary. But, God knew, and He gave Father Peyton a deep foundational faith, nurtured by his parents and fostered through a devotion to Our Blessed Mother. How many of us can relate to that along with the question: how is God challenging us to live a life for Him and others in a way that we may think is beyond our means: our talents or strengths?

Holy people, like Venerable Patrick Peyton, inspire us to grow in faith, to trust in God's grace and Providence, so that when the Lord calls, we can boldly be the salt and light of God's love .... for our families and all those that God brings into our lives.

Continued on back

As we continue to rejoice and reflect, I'd invite each of you to share Father Peyton's life story, prayer cards, etc. and opportunity to be part of the Father Peyton Guild with your family, friends, and parishioners.

May God bless you all and lead you to be salt and light each in your own way!

May God bless you,

*Father David S. Marcham*

Father David S. Marcham



The Eucharistic Procession of nearly 200 people departs from Holy Cross Family Ministries to the Sacred Space.



A family leading a decade of the Rosary.



Women gather outside after the celebration to enjoy some refreshments and each other's company.



People gather for the celebration for Venerable Patrick Peyton.

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

- Venerable Patrick Peyton -