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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,

This past week Father Willy Raymond, C.S.C., president of Holy Cross Family Ministries suggested that since the Oscars had just taken place it would be fitting to reflect upon Father Peyton's ministry to the "stars" of radio and film and how they grew closer to God through helping him spread the word of Family Rosary Prayer.

It was Father Peyton's holiness, humility and passion for spreading Family Rosary Prayer that transcended cultural and even life circumstances and so allowed his invitation to unlikely partners in his ministry to accomplish amazing works for our Savior and His Blessed Mother. This week I also spoke to a Mrs. Regina Kupecky from Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Mrs. Kupecky warmly remembers Father Peyton staying with her family and recalls hearing that her father, Mr. Joe Breig suggested to Father Peyton that the "stars" would be great ambassadors for his work. It seems to me, that only our Blessed Mother and Her Son could have convinced those who met this humble and holy priest from Ireland to reach out to the famous and powerful in an industry that wasn't known for its public profession of faith.

Perhaps, that is an important lesson we can learn and use in our own lives; whether in our families, among friends, in our parishes and beyond: that we are called to be creative and courageous in how we share the goodness of the faith with others. We need to seek out partners and ambassadors who can join us in spreading the Good News of Family Rosary Prayer. What Father Peyton discovered was that the Bing Crosbys, Lucille Balls, and countless others needed him even more than he could have imagined; but in his humility he was always grateful for their generosity and sincerity.

I believe that is why Father Peyton was so successful in working with the famous folks of Hollywood; he never lost sight that no matter how famous or wealthy, that first and foremost they were a child of God who needed God and our Blessed Mother in their lives. For some there was a faith that could be nourished and for others it was a matter of returning to the faith through watching Father Peyton and others work for the glory of God and then becoming involved in that holy work themselves. Wherever you find you and your family this Lenten Season Father Peyton's example and intercession are powerful gifts we have to share and tap into ourselves.

May God bless you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Father David S. Marcham".

Father David S. Marcham

P.S. To learn more about Father Peyton's outreach to the "stars" go to: FatherPeyton.org

"The Rosary, by its very essence, tells a person who uses it wisely and well who is Christ, what He has done for me, what He has a right to expect from me." - Venerable Patrick Peyton