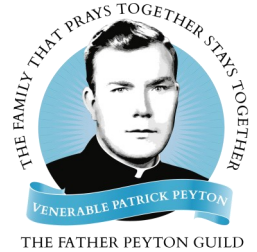


# For Members of the Worldwide Father Peyton Guild

*United in Prayer for a Spiritual Cause*



## Feast Days:

- Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene, July 22
- Feast of Saint James, July 25
- Memorial of Saints Anne and Joachim, July 26
- Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, July 31

## Sharing the Faith:

How can you make time to share your faith with a younger family member?

Who inspired your faith in your youth?

## From the Vice Postulator/Guild Director

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During the summer months in the United States many young people enjoy a break from school and an opportunity to spend time with their family and friends enjoying the warm weather and extra hours of daylight. It can be a time of renewal of mind, body, and soul. Families take time to visit relatives and friends which allow us to reconnect with our loved ones. We also go to the mountains, lakes, and seashores which give us a chance to appreciate the beauty of God's creation.

This past letter I had asked Father Peyton Prayer Guild leaders to send photos of how they celebrated the anniversary of Venerable Patrick Peyton going home to God on June 3, 1992.

Shortly after, I received the photos seen in this letter along with a wonderful message from Father Berry Apire, C.S.C., in East Africa, Uganda:

*"We had a massive launch of a new [chapter of the] Father Peyton Prayer Guild at Holy Cross Lake View high school in East Africa, Uganda which is sponsored by the Congregation of Holy Cross. It was a powerful launch on the Solemnity of Trinity Sunday in which I along with others passionately shared the life of Father Peyton, including his miraculous cure from tuberculosis. Father Peyton's story deeply struck the students, and over 700 Rosaries were distributed. The students felt drawn to prayer and hundreds inquired more about Father Peyton after the event. The Father Peyton Prayer Guild in the high school indeed kicked off that week and as the result, we have many new members of the Guild."*

Father Apire's message caused me to think about the souls of the young people in our families and the importance of making time and creating opportunities for them to learn about God's call to holiness.

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*"The Rosary has saved the world in the past. It will save the world again by saving the family."*

- Venerable Patrick Peyton -

The witness of Father Berry Apire, C.S.C., co-workers, student leaders, and all present is an encouragement to me as I work on Father Peyton's Cause for Sainthood. At this time, I request your particular prayers for a possible medical miracle attributed to Father Peyton. Please pray that God will assist us in (successfully) presenting it to the Vatican.

In the Gospel of Matthew (11:25-27), Jesus praises the Father as he says: "... for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned, you have revealed them to the childlike." I believe that when we share the faith as Father Peyton did, especially with the young, we too are renewed. We see the desire for the essence of faith through their childlike expressions, questions and sincerity ... a trust that God is with us and leading us to a life that has meaning, love, and joy.

A special thanks to each of you who are praying for the beatification and canonization of Father Peyton as well as sharing and practicing his message of the value of family prayer; especially the Rosary. Please keep sending your photos and stories, they are beautiful and encouraging reminders of how we are all united in a spiritual cause!

In Jesus and Mary,

*Father David S. Marcham*

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**Top right:** Student leaders receive a blessing from Father Apire, C.S.C., and pray for Father Peyton's intercession.

**Bottom right:** Students hold up their Rosaries to be blessed.

**Bottom left:** Sister Nancy Rose Njeri, C.S.C., leads the students in the praying of the Rosary.

