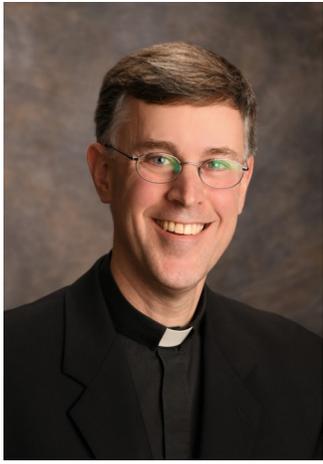
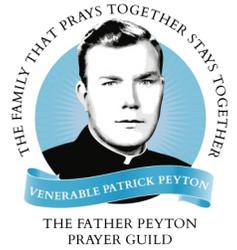


# For Members of the Worldwide Father Peyton Prayer Guild

*United in Prayer for a Spiritual Cause*



## Feast Days:

- First Sunday of Advent, **Dec. 1**
- St. Francis Xavier, **Dec. 3**
- Immaculate Conception, **Dec. 9**
- Our Lady of Guadalupe, **Dec. 12**
- St. Lucy, **Dec. 13**
- St. John of the Cross, **Dec. 14**
- Third Sunday of Advent, **Dec. 15**
- Fourth Sunday of Advent, **Dec. 22**
- Christmas, **Dec. 25**
- St. Stephen, **Dec. 26**
- St. John the Evangelist, **Dec. 27**
- Holy Innocents, **Dec. 28**
- Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, **Dec. 29**

## From the Vice Postulator/Guild Director

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Lately, when I arrive each morning at the Father Peyton Center in North Easton, MA, U.S.A., I am reminded of the changing of our seasons. **There is a rhythm to the natural seasonal change that parallels our liturgical and spiritual seasons.**

God is using creation to invite us to notice these changes. Once He has our attention, He invites us to the beauty and personal aspect of how He is working in our lives.

Just as we prepare our clothing, homes, gardens, and farms for this new season, we also prepare during the Advent Season by keeping watch, reflecting and praying for the celebration of the birth of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The Church changes our calendars, liturgical colors, and spiritual focus. It is a reminder of the ending of our Church year and the beginning of a new one.

This is a time to reflect and pray about this past year and our hopes for the upcoming one. It is a time to give thanks to God. As I write to you, I marvel at the work of the Holy Spirit. How each of you has been touched by the life and ministry of Venerable Patrick Peyton.

I enjoy imagining the different countries, states, cities, towns, and villages that you call home. In many cases, places that Venerable Patrick Peyton visited

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*"In praying the Rosary, we are pooling our prayers with (Mary's.) The Rosary family is saying "our door is open."  
- Venerable Patrick Peyton -*

and promoted family Rosary prayer. Perhaps some of you or your family members attended one of his Rosary Rallies, or heard or saw him on the radio, T.V. and now the internet.

Whether you are in the Philippines, Canada, Mexico, Uganda, Ireland, the U.S.A. or in one of the many other countries that make up the homeland of Father Peyton Prayer Guild members, we are united for a spiritual cause. We are praying for all families and the Beatification and Canonization of Venerable Patrick Peyton.

The greatest gift we have is the life we have received from God; one to be shared and nurtured by our families, and then shared with the wider community.

I will be praying for each of you and your prayer intentions during this Advent and Christmas season. I invite you to join me in praying for all members of the Father Peyton Prayer Guild around the world.

In Jesus and Mary,

*Father David S. Marcham*

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Vice Postulator/Guild Director

## Questions to Bring to Prayer

- How do you prepare your heart during the season of Advent?
- What gifts does your family have that God wants you to share? With whom could you share these gifts?
- How can you bring your anxieties about the future to prayer?
- In what ways can you open your home to God this advent?
- Where can you turn to Mary, our blessed mother, to find peace and joy?



*Father Peyton visits with families, 1955.*

## News and Upcoming Events

- January 9 is Venerable Patrick Peyton's anniversary of birth; please consider offering your Rosary prayer or a Mass on this date in gratitude to God for his life and for his Cause for Beatification/Canonization.
- Please continue to pray that the Vatican will approve one of the two possible medical miracles attributed to Venerable Patrick Peyton.
- Upcoming January edition of the Guild Letter: Interview with Father James Matthew, C.S.C., about the Father Peyton Prayer Guild in the Philippines.