

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP MOVEMENT

Emblems



This emblem was designed in 1983 by the laity, not the Passionists, but has a distinct Passionist flavour, as you can see.

The emblem features three generations of people within the Heart, depicting a place in Family Groups for everyone wishing to deepen their Christian love and acceptance of one other.

The Cross is in the heart of our lives reminding us that Family Groups don't take away the difficulties of life but give us the strength and courage to live life as followers of Christ; to live out the simple Gospel message to "Love One Another".



In 1994, the International Year of the Family, there was a change concerning the people depicted in the Heart.

With the changing racial composition of Family Groups, our original, creative artist added a few deft touches of the pen to show that Family Groups are for EVERYONE, no matter what their ethnic background.

In 1998, colour became an extra added feature of the logo for those viewing our web site.

Greetings!

In August a special celebration hosted by St Theresa's Parish in Plimmerton took place to formally transition the NZ Directors role from Lynn and Rob Hill, who have served in the role for the past 28 years to a team, consisting of two couples, Mary-Ellen & John Leen and Paul & Linda Darbyshire. From the opening hymn to the final blessing the congregation was drawn into common-union to celebrate with Fr Brian Traynor and Fr Tom McDonough. The New National Directors and each Diocese Director couple were commissioned.

When visiting a Parish or group there is never a shortage of stories to share about the benefits of the Passionist Family Groups. The stories are often remembered because the experience stirred something special in their hearts.

In 2017 we are keen to explore with Parish's how best to ensure all in their community are made aware of and invited to join a family group.

We can be contacted by email: passionistnz@gmail.com



Save the Date 2017!!

PFG Day

Auckland Dio
Sat May 13th

All invited. Make this your family group activity!

PFG Day

Hawkes Bay
Sun May 7th

All invited. Make this your family group activity.

PFG Day

Christchurch Dio
Sat March 4th

Everyone welcome. Make this your family group activity.

PFG Day

Kapiti Coast
Friday 28th April

Everyone welcome. Make this your family group activity.

Save the Date 2017!!

PFG Day
Palmerston Nth
Sat May 6th

All invited. Make this your family group activity!

PFG Day
Hamilton
To be advised.

All invited. Make this your family group activity.

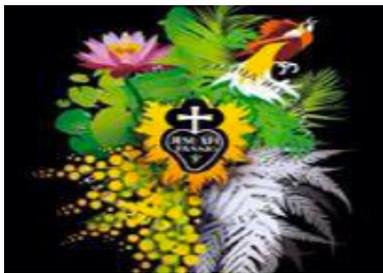
PFG Day
Bay of Plenty
To be advised.

All invited. Make this your family group activity

PFG DAY
Wellington
Sat April 29th

Everyone welcome. Make this your family group activity.

Other opportunities to consider for 2017...



**2017 PASSIONIST
PILGRIMAGE
ITALY**

October 1st – October 22 2017

Explore the footsteps of
St Paul of the Cross, founder of
the Passionists

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT

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2017 PASSIONIST INSTITUTE
Friday 26th May - Monday 29th May 2017

Presented by:

Fr Tom McDonough CP
Fr Chris Monaghan CP
Fr Brian Traynor CP

Held at:

HOLY CROSS CENTRE

Passionist Monastery & Chapel

207 Serpells Road, Templestowe, Vic.

Friday 26May: 4.00pm Registration for 5.00pm start

Monday 29 May: Conclusion at 11.45am

Cost:

\$260.00(Shared Room) \$160.00(Single Room)

Live out cost: \$100.00per person

Booking &Deposit (\$50.00per person): – by 16 Dec 2016

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We thank each of you for your involvement during the past year.

As Oscar Romero said:

'We only accomplish in our lifetime a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work. Nothing we do is complete.'

*God gave us Jesus on the first Christmas Day
and may the wonder of it always guide and light
your way....*

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

Mary-Ellen & John, Linda & Paul

