

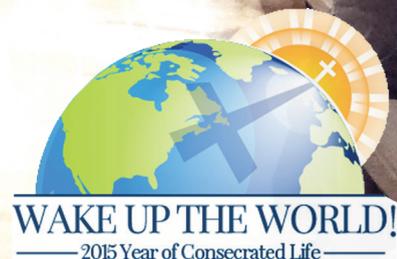


The Passionists *of Holy Cross Province*

Spring 2015



How does my life wake up the world?



We are called ...



I love being a Passionist because I am able to be with all kinds of people who know both the struggle and the joy of the Cross in their lives. Together we find healing and hope.

*Father Pat Brennan, C.P.,
Detroit, Mich.*



I love being a Passionist because, through prayer, I go to the dark places where no ministering hand can reach to bear the light and salvation flowing from Christ's wounds.

*Sister John Mary, C.P.,
Whitesville, Ky.*



I love being a Passionist because my vocation allows me to put forth the effort to help others and to be a source of encouragement, hope and healing to them, despite how crazy my day gets.

*Brother John Monzyk, C.P.,
Louisville, Ky.*

I love being a Passionist because of my friendships and in-depth conversations with Passionists and our shared faith experience. They help me to see hope in suffering. They challenge me and they affirm me. I am grateful to be a member of a faith community of lay men and women and vowed men who do not always agree on the details, but participate in the vision of St. Paul of the Cross.

*Cathy Anthony,
Detroit, Mich.*



The Passionists

We Passionists take a unique vow to proclaim a special truth that we hold deeply in our hearts – that the Passion of Jesus Christ is the most powerful sign of God's overwhelming love for us.

We know this love can overcome even death itself. With so many in our world hurting from physical and mental challenges, financial anguish or spiritual despair, our Passionist message is vitally important in keeping hope alive.

Please make a contribution today to help us ease someone's suffering. Thank you!

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The Cross of Christ Relentlessly Moves Us Forward

From the Provincial

Pope Francis proclaimed 2015 as the Year of Consecrated Life to highlight the role and importance of those consecrated men and women who devote their lives to the mission of the Church through their particular spirit (charism) and ministries. Echoing the words of Pope St. John Paul II, Pope Francis wrote about the aim of this special year: “You have not only a glorious history to remember and to recount, but also a great history still to be accomplished! Look to the future, where the Spirit is sending you in order to do even greater things.”

I entered the Passionist Community in 1965. It was the age of the Vietnam War, LBJ, the Beatles, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Gemini space program, Muhammad Ali, Vatican II and Pope Paul VI. Fifty years later, the wars are different, the political stage has changed substantially, social crises are more bewildering and international threats to freedom and democracy are more perilous.

The Pope’s invitation to celebrate the Year of Consecrated Life is very timely. The Church and consecrated life have changed dramatically since the closing of the Second Vatican Council in 1965. The Pope’s summons to celebrate consecrated life in the Church today is a call for the People of God to understand, to value and to support consecrated life in its different forms. The summons is also a call to all religious men and women, including Passionists, to recount the good that has been accomplished for God’s People by the religious who have gone before them. It calls for recommitting themselves to religious life in this changing world and to move into the future with a firm hope in the Holy Spirit, who will guide them along unfamiliar paths in the midst of new scenery. The heart of religious life remains the same. The vocation to be a religious sister, brother or priest



Father Donald Webber, C.P.

is a personal call by God to a particular religious community fulfilling a particular mission in the Church through the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience.

As you read this issue, I hope you have a better appreciation and understanding of religious life today, especially our Passionist way of life. The articles focus on how the Passionist charism and mission impact the lives of those men and women who share their stories in this issue. For us Passionists, the death of Jesus Christ on the Cross was not the end, but the beginning. Because of Jesus, life takes on new meaning, hope is genuine and doing greater things is possible.

In Christ Crucified,

Fr. Don Webber, cp

Father Donald A. Webber, C.P.
Provincial Superior

the Passion of Christ THE LOVE THAT COMPELS

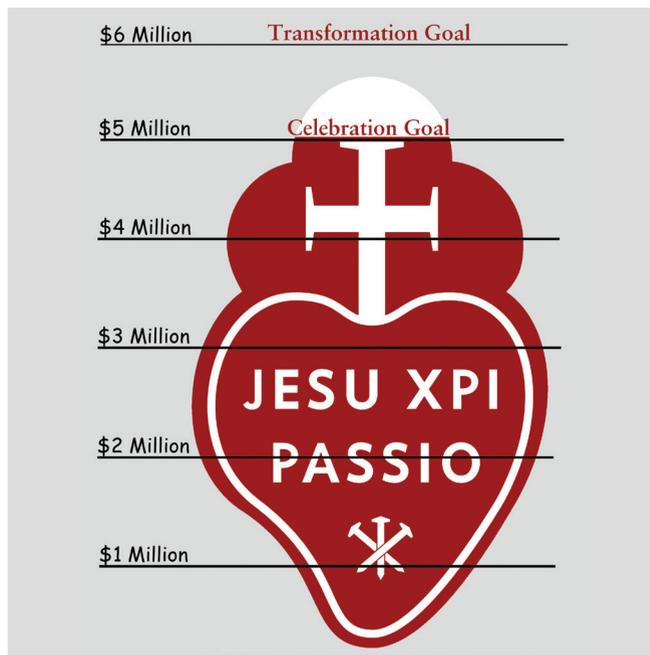
Celebrate the Year of Consecrated Life by Supporting the Passionists of Holy Cross Province

Wake Up The World! What a great theme for the Year of Consecrated Life that celebrates the lives and ministries of those men and women who have consecrated their lives to God in a special way. Across the entire globe, we know them as pastors, catechists, professors, scholars, preachers, doctors, artists, caregivers, scientists and social workers. These truly are people who care! Whatever their ministry, these consecrated men and women wake us up so that we can better experience God's loving presence all around us. And they include our Passionists.

Help wake up the world through a gift or pledge to the Passionists of Holy Cross Province.

The Passion of Christ: The Love That Compels Campaign has two primary goals: supporting our senior Passionists who have lived long and faithful lives serving others, and supporting our Passionist seminarians and the next generation of lay Passionist leaders. All Passionists share the spirit of St. Paul of the Cross, who founded this congregation in 1741, to reassure those in need — especially the sick and the poor — that God did not abandon them, but loves them dearly. Passionist priests and brothers keep alive the memory of Christ's Passion through their commitment to community, prayer, ministries of the Word and service. They seek those living in the margins, those who suffer and those who may have lost their way. Passionists preach the power of the Cross and the hope of the Resurrection.

We now invite you to join our Passionist priests and brothers in this mission. We ask for your support



for this campaign. Help wake up the world through a gift or pledge to the Passionists of Holy Cross Province. We are deeply grateful for the generosity of so many who have helped us achieve the first goal: the Celebration Goal of \$5 million.

Please help us in this campaign to raise the remaining \$1 million to reach our final goal: the Transformation Goal of \$6 million. Your gift now to the campaign will ensure the formation and education of the next generation of vowed and lay Passionist ministers. If we are to encourage young people to consider religious life and life as a Passionist, we need the financial resources to support them in their discernment and formation.

Learn more about this campaign at our website, www.passionist.org/campaign. To support the formation and training of young Passionists, use the enclosed envelope or call Angela Kwasinski, our Director of Donor Relations, at 800.295.9048, ext. 206.

Great Passionist Leaders Light the Way to the Future

Father James Patrick White, C.P.

Father Paul Bechtold, C.P.



Former Catholic Theological Union presidents (L-R) John Linan, C.S.V., Donald Senior, C.P., Paul Bechtold, C.P., and Alcuin Coyle, O.F.M.

In this Year of Consecrated Life, Pope Francis encourages religious communities to look to their past with gratitude. He suggests that, “Recounting our history is essential for preserving our identity, for strengthening our unity as a family and our common sense of belonging. More than an exercise in archaeology or the cultivation of mere nostalgia, it calls for following in the footsteps of past generations in order to grasp the high ideals, and the vision and values which inspired them.”

Much of the “current educational culture” of the Passionist community has been crafted from the vision and design of two prominent Passionist figures of the 1960s: Father James Patrick White, C.P., and Father Paul Ignatius Bechtold, C.P. The Passionists of Holy Cross Province can be justly proud of how these two men were able to “wake up the world” back then and how they are still today “waking up the world!”

“James Patrick was quite arguably one of the great leaders in the Province,” says Father Mike Higgins, C.P.

“He served as Provincial three times; two consecutive times during the 1950s and then re-elected in 1963.

According to Father Mike, Father James Patrick made substantial contributions not only to Holy Cross Province, but to the entire Passionist Congregation as well. “During his first two terms, he was responsible for sending missionaries to establish a Passionist presence in Japan. Shortly after that, he sent missionaries to Korea. Now both are totally indigenous Passionist communities and independent from us.”

It was during the 1950s as well that Father James Patrick became convinced it was essential for the province to have a number of people academically and professionally educated at the doctoral level. So he sent people off to get degrees, which, according

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to Father Mike, “began to establish a culture in the province around the pursuit of graduate degrees after ordination.”

Father James Patrick, inspired by the Second Vatican Council, played an instrumental role in guiding the province from a self-guided, monastic, rural environment education model to an urban environment model. This began to position the province to respond to the Council’s call to be out in the modern world.

“James Patrick was a people person. He was warm and he listened. He interacted with every member of the Province and was very responsive to human need.

That brought a different style of leadership into the Province. He always knew the temperature of the group. People trusted him,” explains Father Mike.

While Father James Patrick had the leadership to bring forth a new education model, it was Father Paul Bechtold, C.P., who was the architect of the plan. That new plan would result in the founding of Catholic Theological Union (CTU) in Chicago in 1968; a collaboration between the Passionists of Holy Cross Province, the Franciscans of the Sacred Heart Province, headquartered in St. Louis, Mo., and the Servants of Mary (Servites), headquartered in Chicago. Divine Word Missionaries of Chicago would join the collaboration a year later.

Father Paul would serve as the founding president of CTU, a role he would maintain for 10 years.

“Paul was a brilliant man academically. It was Paul who knew the educational theory. He was the academic dean of the province and was responsible for making sure our students received the studies they needed. It was really Paul who convinced our leadership and the province we needed to get out of the monastery for our education.

“Paul was a man who was very deeply respected by the men of the province. He had the ability to challenge, but not to demean them. He called people to a bigger vision with reason. He was always completely and utterly respectful to the people of the province, whether he agreed with them or not. That positioned



Father James Patrick White, C.P.

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him to pull our educational culture from a rather simple, basic kind of education to a much more sophisticated, professional, academic and pastoral education,” shares Father Mike.

The “role of balance between those two men’s leadership,” according to Father Mike, is what has influenced the culture of the Passionist community to this day.

As a result of the emphasis placed on academic pursuit, Holy Cross Province can lay claim to three great Scripture scholars: Father Barnabas Mary Ahern, C.P., Father Carroll Stuhlmüller, C.P., and Father Donald Senior, C.P.

Holy Cross Province also proudly recognizes other influential leaders. Father Paul Boyle, C.P., was a powerful force in the Canon Law Society of America, serving as its first Executive Director. He would then go on to be Provincial, Superior General and finally the first Bishop of Mandeville, Jamaica, West Indies. Father Ken O’Malley, C.P., is an expert in library science and Father Thomas More Newbold, C.P., was the first to get a degree in something other than philosophy or theology, receiving a doctorate in psychology from the University of Montreal. This list, while impressive, is not exhaustive. There are some men who, through current and future studies, will add their names to the list and will “grasp the high ideals” and provide the “vision and values” for generations of Passionists to come.

Living a Consecrated Life as a Passionist Brother

Brother Carl Hund, C.P.

Brother John Monzyk, C.P.

The call to consecrated life is unique to each person. Being called to profession within the Passionist community requires that each man listen intently in prayer and discern where God is calling them to best place their gifts within the Passionist Congregation and the Church.

Brother Carl Hund, C.P., has been a Passionist brother for 54 years. He recognizes that being called to consecrated life means being called to one brotherhood through the vows that all religious profess. Priesthood within a religious order is just one way to fulfill a vocation.

“When an individual elects to enter a religious order, they must, after a lengthy period of prayerful discernment, face the question of how they intend to contribute to the charism and goals of their particular religious institute. They must discern the manner of how best they will make the life and presence of Christ concretely tangible to those they serve in community and ministry. Within religious communities, a vocation can be to the priesthood or to the brotherhood. For centuries, the vast number of voca-

tion candidates in a religious community desired to be priests and live their order’s charism through their preaching and sacramental ministry. However, while it is abundantly clear that priestly ministry is of immense importance in a religious order, it is only one way of contributing among many,” explains Brother Carl.

“When I joined the Passionists as a brother in 1960, the types of ministry I could engage in were severely limited, and my rights, such as to hold office, were not being exercised. Our General Chapter meeting in 1968 renewed our Rule and Constitutions at the request of the Second Vatican Council. The quality of life of our brothers improved one hundred-fold: educationally, spiritually and in opportunities for ministry. The sky suddenly became the limit as to how much brothers wished to develop their God-given gifts and the role they have within the Church,” shares Brother Carl.

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Brother John Monzyk, C.P., who took his final vows in 1973, experienced a similar discernment as Brother Carl. However, Brother John’s discernment benefited in new ways as a result of some of the changes brought about by the Second Vatican Council. “I knew I didn’t want to be [a] diocesan [priest] because I liked the idea of men living and working for a common purpose. When I came in after high school, I came in as a clerical candidate. By my junior year in college, I had fallen in love with Passionist life, but the ministries of the priesthood did not appeal to me. As a 17-year-old, I hadn’t made a distinction between the priesthood and the brotherhood. As I matured, the priesthood was not what I was looking for. After about two years talking



*Brother John Monzyk, C.P.,
at Holy Family High School,
Birmingham, Ala.*



Brother Carl Hund, C.P., leads a retreat session at Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center in Houston, Texas.

with my spiritual director, I realized I wanted to be a brother and a teacher,” shares Brother John.

In 1971, Brother John accompanied his class as they entered studies at Catholic Theological Union (CTU). Unlike clerical candidates who take classes to fulfill the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree, he was one of the first graduates of CTU to receive the newly offered Master of Arts in Theology (MAT). “The MAT had some aspects of the M.Div., but it was a more academic curriculum. We didn’t take practicum courses like liturgy.

“As a brother going through formation, one of the things I found so great about the Passionists is they were willing to tailor the education towards your talents and skills,” explains Brother John.

Brother John did become a teacher and, as such, found his love for working with students who need some extra help and support to realize their academic potential. He taught for several years at Holy Family High School (now Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School) in Birmingham, Ala., and has designed collegiate courses for “late-deciders” who need some extra work to get into graduate programs, like medicine. “I always seem to gravitate towards

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working with students who need just a little extra push. I think that is where I see helping the crucified of today: students who need a little extra attention,” says Brother John.

St. Paul of the Cross’ gift to consecrated life is the Passionist charism. This charism is the bond that unites all Passionists in communion with each other. Having served in leadership positions in Holy Cross Province, the lives of both Brother Carl and Brother John exemplify what it means to live a consecrated life as a brother in today’s Church. The commitment of keeping alive the memory of Christ Crucified, as well as bringing the message of God’s love and healing to those who are the crucified of today, is the life and ministry of all Passionist priests and brothers.

Passionist Preaching Wakes Up the World

Father Pat Brennan, C.P.

Father Cedric Pisegna, C.P.



Father Pat Brennan, C.P., preaching during a retreat.

The Passionist preaching ministry has always sought to wake up the world. St. Paul of the Cross felt the world of his time was becoming unmindful of the Passion of Jesus. He wanted Passionists to “arouse the world from its slumber,” to remind people of the love of Christ Crucified. This prophetic imperative would be echoed over 200 years later by Pope Francis in this Year of Consecrated Life, to “Wake up the world! Be witnesses of a different way of doing things, of acting, of living!”

While the imperative is timeless, the means and

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mode of communicating it evolves with each generation. Passionists preach to the world in ways the world recognizes, all the while never compromising the profound message of the love of Christ Crucified. Two of the many outstanding preachers in Holy Cross Province are Father Pat Brennan, C.P., and Father Cedric Pisegna, C.P. They preach the love of Christ Crucified in retreat ministry and parish renewals, respectively.

“Retreat ministry is an important preaching ministry because it is part of our roots. St. Paul of the Cross always made sure space was available in the monastery for individual laymen to come, for a brief time, to live and experience solitude, and to pursue deeper growth in coming to know the Lord. In our ministry, certainly in the United States, Passionists were some of the forerunners of what is called the ‘laymen’s retreat,’” explains Father Pat Brennan, C.P., Director of St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat and Conference Center in Detroit, Mich.

While rooted in tradition, Passionist retreat ministry is constantly changing with the signs of the times. A retreat is a unique way to experience God, prayer and conversion. A retreat creates the space and time for the laity to get away from the noises of the world. Over the years, Passionist retreats have transformed many lives.



Father Cedric Pisegna, C.P., preaching at a parish renewal.

“Retreat ministry can be viewed by some as institutional, but it is a ministry of welcome. We share life with the retreatants. We wake them up from materialism and distraction. We do that in our preaching and in our ministry to the crucified around us. The [retreat center] makes the preaching possible. The preaching makes conversion possible. Conversion turns into action in ways that make it possible to affect the lives of those who are broken – to wake up the world,” shares Father Pat. “Some people who have been on a retreat have the power to change the lives of those crucified around them. By coming to the retreats, they are inspired to do something with those who are broken. They wake up the world.”

Retreat preaching is but one expression of the preaching ministry. Retreat centers provide a place of welcome for those who come to them; however itinerant preaching goes out into the world. As Father Cedric Pisegna, C.P., likes to refer to it: “beyond the walls of the Church.” Father Cedric is finding unique, timely and relevant ways to go to where people are, to preach the love of Christ Crucified and to wake up the world.

His ministry, which he calls *Live with Passion!*, is dedicated to helping “people realize their potential” and become their “best selves.” It has a threefold purpose: to help people deepen their relationship

with God, to grow in personal character and to live with passion.

“A saying I have adopted is, ‘Who you are is God’s gift to you. Who you become is your gift to God,’” shares Father Cedric.

“Good, inspired preaching can wake up the world. It can inspire people to draw closer to God.

“I preach by using television, the Internet, social media and print media. It is critical to use technology because it reaches those who are beyond the walls of the Church; fallen-away Catholics, agnostics, atheists. St. Paul was referred to as the ‘hunter of souls.’ Contemporary Passionists seek people [by going] where they are. We can’t expect that they will come to us. We have to go to them,” states Father Cedric.

The Passionists, as Father Pat says, “have always been recognized as men who preach an honest, clear, simple message that is very believable, very credible.” This credible message resonates with the human heart because of the truth of it; the hope that comes from the love of Christ poured out on the Cross for all the world. That message needs to continue to wake up the world within the walls of the Church and beyond them.

Visit St. Paul of the Cross’s website at <http://stpaulretreat.org/> or you can follow them on Facebook at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat and Conference Center.

Father Cedric’s television ministry can be found on the Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN) every Sunday morning at 8 a.m. ET/ 5 a.m. PT. His website is www.frcedric.org. You can also participate in his Facebook community, which has 2,000 members.

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Passing on the Formation Mantle

Father Jim Strommer, C.P.

Father Alfredo Ocampo, C.P.



Father Jim Strommer, C.P., center, is shown with Father Hugo Esparza-Pérez, C.P., left, and Father Alfredo Ocampo, C.P., right, during their novitiate.

In the Old Testament, there is a dramatic moment when the Prophet Elijah was taken up to heaven in a fiery chariot as his mantle fell to the ground. Walking with him was the Prophet Elisha, and he quickly put on the mantle Elijah dropped. Elisha knew then that he was to carry on the great work of Elijah and spread the Word of God.

Religious life offers many vantage points to witness how past, present and future work together in a continuum of faith, love and communion. Formation ministry is one such vantage point. Father Jim Strommer, C.P., has been involved in formation ministry for 40 years. By the time he was 30 years old, he was the Director of Passionist Students in the major seminary at Catholic Theological Union (CTU) in Chicago. He worked full-time in formation ministry in the '70s and off and on throughout the '80s and '90s. In 2003, he was

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appointed Novice Director. Father Hugo Esparza-Pérez, C.P., and Father Alfredo Ocampo, C.P., were novices in Father Jim’s first class in 2003. They were professed in 2004, and ordained in 2011.

Seminary Formation has changed over the years. “It used to be if you were an ordained priest and you lived in a formation house, you didn’t have much to

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– Father Alfredo Ocampo, C.P.

do with the students. You didn’t talk to them because you didn’t consider yourself part of the formation. Now, in a formation community, everyone in the community is responsible in some sense for the formation. It has become a real ministry to live in a house of formation, where not just the formation director is a formator, but the whole community is. Wherever we have a formation house, our professed members are aware that we all have a responsibility. We are more attentive to personal prayer and community prayer; we take time with the students. We try to model what it means to be a good Passionist. Students call us to be what we want to be – true Passionists. They call us to a kind of integrity as a community,” shares Father Jim.

In July 2014, Father Alfredo became the Director of Students for Holy Cross Province. “In a way, it’s a sense of satisfaction, as a grandfather so to speak, having one of my students become the director of students. That’s been a kind of real satisfaction.

“We are colleagues working as a team. I have awareness that Alfredo is doing a job that I used to have. In a sense, it’s in reverse, in that, I will have the novices here first [at Christ the King Community in Citrus Heights, Calif.] and then they will go to Alfredo. There is sort of an irony that he will be completing jobs that I will begin. We are working together,” adds Father Jim.

According to Father Alfredo, “The image from the Second Book of Kings of the two prophets, Elijah and Elisha, passing on the charism from one to the other comes to mind for me. Elisha may not have been prepared to take the role of formator from

his experienced mentor, but the call to continue in Elijah’s footsteps is coming from God. For me, God speaks in and through provincial leadership — from whom I received the role as formator. I am trying to symbolize the follower, enthusiastically following the wisdom figure. In the Province, Father Jim is a wisdom figure. He is an excellent priest, friend and formator. I am trying to follow in his footsteps by carrying out the formation ministry with excellence and integrity in the best way possible.

“With the help of God’s grace, we are passing on the life-giving history and mission of our Passionist legacy from one generation to the next. And, like the two Old Testament prophets, we do it with passion and diligence as we continue to make new history by forming new Passionists in the Church. Others will assume this mantle after me.

“I am able to use my past and present experiences with appreciation and optimism, which helps me to be a better person and a better religious each day. Thus, I try to do as Pope Francis exhorts in his *Message for the Year of Consecrated Life*, that is to look to the future with hope in ways that the Spirit of God is guiding us and calling us to live our Passionist charism by witnessing to the Gospel in words and in deeds,” explains Father Alfredo.

In this message, Pope Francis encourages religious communities to “embrace the future with hope.” In speaking to the young members of religious communities, he states, “In fraternal communion you will be enriched by their [senior religious’] experiences and wisdom, while at the same time inspiring them by your own energy and enthusiasm to recapture their original idealism. In this way, the entire community can join in finding new ways of living the Gospel and responding more effectively to the need for witness and proclamation.”

The Passionist ministry of formation is a living testament to fraternal communion that, while functioning in this moment in time, transcends time itself. It weaves past, present and future into a mantle that will be passed down for generations to come.

News and Notes

Contemplating Christ Crucified Inflames our Hearts

The Passionist Nuns in Whitesville, Ky., take a fifth vow when they become professed: enclosure from the world out of love of the great mystery of Jesus in his total self-donation on the Cross. The nuns are cloistered contemplatives within the enclosed walls of their home, St. Joseph Monastery.

“Our main ministry is a hidden ministry of intercessory prayer for the world. Being with our Sorrowful Mother at the foot of the Cross, as Passionists, that is really our charism — reflecting on his Passion and that great radical love of Jesus Crucified, for us and for the world, and praying that all the world will come to know his love,” shares Sister John Mary, C.P.

“St. Paul of the Cross founded our order in 1771. He felt that God’s love would so permeate us here in the monastery, that it would go out from the monastery and touch the hearts of people. We would be



flames of crucified love.

“We try to abide to the monastic value of silence and solitude, so that we have a readiness to encounter the Lord in prayer and intercession for the world. Our morning offerings, works, joys and sufferings are united with Jesus.”

For additional information about the Passionist Nuns in Whitesville, Ky., visit passionistnunsblog.com.

Vowed and Lay Passionists Create a Vibrant Passionist Family

Pope Francis, in his *Message for the Year of Consecrated Life*, refers to a “larger family” and a “charismatic family” that surrounds each religious family. This acknowledgement has been a lived reality for Holy Cross Province for years.

Cathy Anthony has been an important part of this developing “charismatic family” since 1987. When she joined the preaching team at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat and Conference Center in Detroit, Mich., she became the first laywoman to join any preaching team in Holy Cross Province. “It was a growing experience for me, as well as for the older priests,” says Cathy.

“I came to the realization this was basically the Church in microcosm. There was the whole spectrum from a very traditional understanding and expectations of life to those who were looking for change, to be invigorated by the Vatican II approach



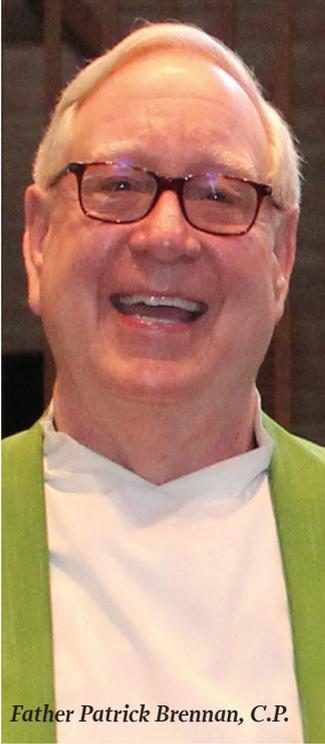
to the world — to be one with it rather than be set apart from it.

“Yet, these men had made a commitment, no matter how divergent their attitudes and spiritualities were, to really commit to being one community.

“Being a member of this community has been a blessing to me,” shares Cathy.



Join with us in congratulating our 2015 Jubilarians
of Holy Cross Province!



Father Patrick Brennan, C.P.



Father John Patrick Day, C.P.



Father Donald Webber, C.P.



Father Robert Weiss, C.P.

Professions

Profession Date

Jubilee

Michael Hoolahan	12/8/1955	60
Patrick Brennan	7/12/1965	50
John Patrick Day	7/12/1965	50
Donald Webber	7/12/1965	50

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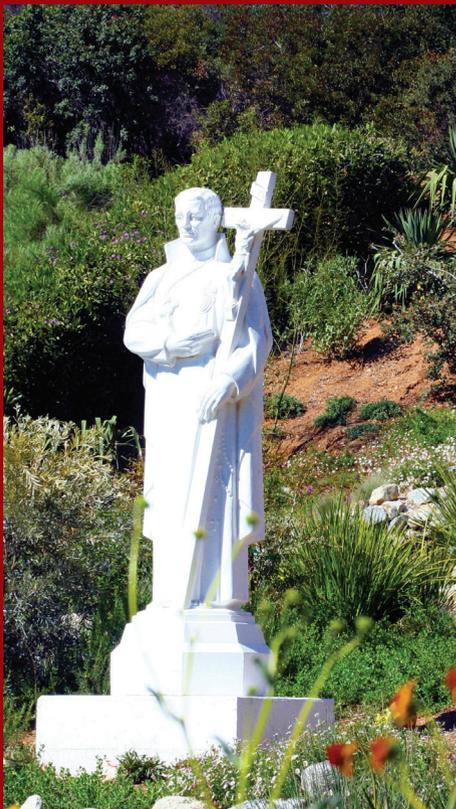
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Thank you for Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow!

“Our charism is a great gift. Our vocation to keep alive the memory of the Passion of Jesus does not only belong to our Congregation or to our communities; it is open to all.” *-Passionist General Chapter 1994*

This Year (of Consecrated Life) calls us to live the present with passion. We are energized by the infinite ways our *shining witness of life will be as a lamp*, placed where it can *give light and warmth to all of God’s people*. Standing alongside our family and friends for strength, we will move forward with a loving commitment to follow Jesus Crucified, and a generous resolve to proclaim his Passion and death with faith and love.

-Pope Francis

As we embrace the future with great hope, the Passionists thank you for yesterday and today. We pray that through the grace of God, you will be a part of our tomorrow. Please consider a planned gift to Holy Cross Province to help us accomplish our future.

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