



Holy Cross Province News

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LOOKING FORWARD...

February 14
Valentine's Day

February 25
Solemn Commemoration
of the Passion

February 27
Feast of St. Gabriel of
Our Lady of Sorrows

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Updates...

- The Provincial Council meets February 23-24 via Zoom.
- Cedric Pisegna, CP, will present his series, *Be your Best*, on EWTN, February 21-25 at 5:30 p.m., EST. Cedric will also air a series on each of the Sundays of Lent. Times will be announced at a future date. Check [Cedric's website](#) for more information in the coming weeks.
- Our retreat centers in Holy Cross Province are presenting programs for the Lenten season. For more information, please visit the retreat center websites at passionist.org/retreats.
- The Mater Dolorosa Community has prepared *A Novena for Hope* on its [website](#), or [click here](#) to download a PDF of the Novena.
- **SAVE THE DATE!** Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center in Houston, Texas, is hosting its 26th Annual Golf Tournament on Tuesday, May 3, 2022. More information will be available in the coming weeks. Check Holy Name's [website](#) for more information.



-John Steinbeck

Welcome...

Please join us in welcoming James Bologna to the Passionist Family! Jim is the new Administrator at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat & Conference Center in Detroit, Michigan.

Jim has been a regular retreatant at St. Paul's for over 25 years as a member of the Divine Child Men's retreat group. He has served on St. Paul's development committee and as a board member. Jim comes to us from Michigan Medicine where, as Administrative Manager of Quality Analytics, he led a group of 20 highly-educated analysts.

"For me, St. Paul's is a deeply spiritual and reflective place, and I don't think I'll ever be able to pay back all of the graces I've received from going on retreat at St. Paul's," says Jim.

Jim is anxious to embrace this important leadership position and is relying on the support of our Passionist Family as he does so. "The staff at St. Paul's has been warm and welcoming and are kindly assisting me in this new role. Sandra Arnould has left big shoes to fill, so please be patient as I learn from them all."

Welcome, Jim!



Welcome Back to Houston...

John Schork, CP, is the new Local Superior of Holy Name Community in Houston, Texas. Due to health issues, Ronan Newbold, CP, has decided to move to Sacred Heart Community in Louisville, Kentucky.

On the recommendation of the local community and with the consent of the Provincial Council, Joe Moons, CP, installed John as the new Local Superior in the presence of the community and three members of the retreat center staff. Thank you, John, for accepting to serve your brothers as Local Superior.



(l-r): Cedric Pisegna, CP; Nicholas Divine, CP; Joe Moons, CP; John Schork, CP; and Blaise Czaja, CP.

Provincial Visitation in Birmingham...

Joe Moons, CP, traveled to Birmingham, Alabama, for Provincial Visitation. While there, Joe visited Holy Family Academy and Parish, St. Joseph Parish, St. Mary's Parish in Fairfield, and Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School in Titusville.

Photo credit: Linda Coleman-Madison.



Joe Moons, CP, preached during Mass at St. Mary's Parish, Fairfield, Alabama.



Joe Moons, CP, celebrated Mass at St. Mary's with Pastor Phil Paxton, CP, (right), and assisted by Deacon Jackie Brown (left).

Preparing for the Church Synod...

Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center in Sierra Madre, California, hosted a group of young adult leaders who wanted to have a day retreat on "Listening to God's People, preparing for the Church Synod of 2023." Clemente Barrón, CP, accompanied the group in this retreat.



Clemente Barrón, CP, (center), with the young adult group.

Solar Panels: An Expression of Love...

Love, overflowing with small gestures of mutual care, is also civic and political, and it makes itself felt in every action that seeks to build a better world. . . . In this framework, along with the importance of little everyday gestures, social love moves us to devise larger strategies to halt environmental degradation and to encourage a 'culture of care' which permeates all of society. [Laudato Si' # 231]



Solar panels will not be at the top of the wish list for Valentine's Day this year. But, according to Pope Francis, they are an expression of love: social love that builds a better world.

According to Local Superior, John Monzyk, CP, Sacred Heart Monastery in Louisville, Kentucky, is in the process of installing sixty solar panels on their carport which slopes to the south. The panels will decrease air pollution around Louisville, as fewer fossil fuels are burned to generate electricity. The panels, backed up by batteries, will also save about \$9,600 per year on the electric bill. The panels will supply electricity for the kitchen, house appliances and lighting, alleviating the need for a generator in case of a power outage.

Sacred Heart Community is very grateful to the generous anonymous person who donated \$70,000 for the project.



One of the installers works on connecting the wiring components.



Installation of the batteries and switching gear is complete in preparation for the solar panels.

Honorary Doctor of Letters...

Lutheran Bishop Dr. Michael Layne, President of St. Paul Christian University, recognized Cedric Pisegna, CP, for his ecumenical ministry with the TBN and Daystar networks.

Cedric was presented with an Ecumenical medal and Doctor of Letters certificate on January 28 via Zoom.

Congratulations Cedric!

Photo: Cedric Pisegna, CP, displays his medal and Doctor of Letters.

