

Dear Passionist Family Members,

The Chapter Working Group on Community Life seeks to learn your experience of community so that, through the work of the Chapter, we might deepen our experience of community in a Passionist context. Note that by “member of the Passionist community” we refer not only to the common life of vowed Passionists but wish to include the experience of all those—lay and vowed—who aspire to an experience of Christian community in relationship to our Passionist charism and spirituality.

We sincerely ask you, both vowed and lay members of the Passionist family, to complete this brief online survey no later than Monday, April 1, 2019. The results will be incorporated in the Working Group’s report to the Provincial Chapter.

The Working Group on Community

1. Background information:

1. Are you a vowed ___ or lay member ___ of the Passionist family?
2. If lay, indicate the manner of your affiliation: employee or staff ___; friend ___; CP Partner ___; other ___
3. If a vowed member, how many vowed Passionists live in your local community ___?
4. Is your community attached to a retreat center ___? Or stand-alone ___?

2. What impels you to seek community within the Passionist family? Check all that apply:

- a sense of isolation experienced in current society ___
- the mission of the Passionist charism ___
- the opportunity to lead a deeper Christian life with others ___
- Other [please indicate]

3. What activities do you consider most essential for Passionist community life?

Please rank:

1. ___ Living in same residence.
2. ___ Shared charism and sense of mission.
3. ___ Daily Eucharist together.
4. ___ Common prayer of the hours.
5. ___ Shared meals.
6. ___ Shared recreation in common.
7. ___ Faith sharing.
8. ___ Regular community meetings.
9. ___ Active leadership on part of a superior or leader
10. ___ Other [please indicate].

4. If a vowed member, does your local Passionist community have regular participation in aspects of its life by lay persons? Please list all way this occurs:

- e.g., Eucharist and/or common prayer
 shared ministry
 Social life.
 Community meetings
 Other [please indicate]

5. If you are a lay member of the Passionist family, describe the level of your involvement in a local Passionist Community. Do you dream of more involvement; if so, in what ways?

6. What do you find is the most satisfying aspect of your Passionist community life (vowed or lay)?

7. What is the greatest obstacle to building community in your local Passionist community? (vowed or lay).

8. What do you think would be the most helpful action on the part of Holy Cross Province to improve the quality of Passionist community life?

9. What could the upcoming Chapter do to improve Passionist community life?

10. Any additional comments you would like to address to the Working Group on Community Life?

THANK YOU!