



The Passionists of Holy Cross Province Congregation of the Passion

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Provincial Superior

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Passionist Family Members of Holy Cross Province:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you are doing well.

Holy Cross Province's visioning process has been underway for almost six years, and it has been the focus of our last six Province Assemblies. With God's help and our continued hard work and commitment, we now have a better focus for the future vision of Holy Cross Province.

With this email, I officially announce that the 2023 Provincial Chapter of Holy Cross Province will be an Open Chapter.

Our Province Chapter Enactment #54 states that there are three types of Chapters, and that Provincial leadership is to seek a recommendation from the Association of Local Superiors (ALS) regarding the type of Chapter. At its recent meeting, the ALS recommended an Open Chapter. With full support of the Extended Council, the Provincial Council voted unanimously in favor of an Open Chapter, a model we have used for the past several Chapters.

In consultation with the Extended Council, I have appointed a Chapter Preparatory Committee (CPC) whose members are as follows:

- Faith Offman, Chair
- Phil Paxton, C.P., Council Liaison
- Sharon Brewer
- Joe Castro
- David Colhour, C.P.
- Jim Strommer, C.P.
- Elizabeth Velarde
- Keith Zekind

The Chapter will be held at Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center in Sierra Madre, CA, June 8-13, 2023.

The Pre-Chapter will be held via Zoom video conferencing. The dates for the Pre-Chapter will be determined by the CPC.

Let us pray for the blessing of St. Paul of the Cross and the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we continue our Chapter preparations and secure the future vision and mission of Holy Cross Province.

God bless,

Joe Moons, C.P.
Provincial Superior

“May the Passion of Jesus Christ be always in our hearts”