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in praying the rosary online
(led by members of the National Board of Directors)

AS WE CELEBRATE
CFM'S FOUNDING DAY

Tuesday, June 17, 2025 @ 8:30 EST

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Leo P.P. XIV

Habemus Papam: Pope Leo XIV

"Peace be with all of you!" - the first words of Pope Leo XIV. The Conclave elected US-born Robert Francis Prevost on May 8, 2025 as the 267th Bishop of Rome.

[Biography of Pope Leo XIV, born Robert Francis Prevost - Vatican News](#)

Did you know that Pope Leo XIV's parents were members of CFM in Chicago? What a blessing it is that our new pope has a deep personal understanding of the lay apostolate, shaped by his own family background. This makes him the first pontiff to have been raised in an Observe-Judge-Act family environment.

(Excerpt from an interview on April 24, 2020)

How does your religious and priestly vocation emerge? *My family was very practical; my dad was a catechist, my mom participated in various activities in the parish where we lived. Besides, the two were members of the Christian Family Movement, and then since I was a child, I had a very nice experience of different dimensions of parish life. I was also an acolyte in the parish, and studied in a parish school. All of these things certainly contributed to me at some point considering the possibility of being a priest.*



<https://www.diocesisdelcallao.org/noticias/mons-robert-prevost-hacer-de-la-iglesia-la-casa-y-escuela-de-comunion>

CFM in Action

Our Lady of the Wayside in Arlington Heights, IL Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Church | CFM's Spring Party



The CFM year at Our Lady of the Wayside ended on a high note with a Ravinia Park like atmosphere of brightly colored table cloths, candles, flowers, bottles of wine, elegant picnic food fare, good company, and a wonderful string quartet performance by Hersey High Students! White bistro lights were strung on the patio inviting members and guests to



gather around a fireplace. A wonderful celebration to end a fun year filled with friendship and spiritual growth!



CFM-USA congratulates Pam Kuzel, Member Services Administrator, on her retirement. She has served CFM in so many ways, especially assisting with our Member Services and as a trusted advisor to its Board of Directors. Both Pam and her husband, Matt, dedicated much time and talent to our Movement ensuring all membership needs were addressed and all special events and Board Meetings exceeded expectations.



Both Pam and Matt Kuzel not only have a heart for CFM, but they are also living models for CFM's Mission. We all feel blessed to know and have had the privilege to work with them. May they enjoy the years to come and may we learn from their example.
Congratulations, Pam!!

Prayer for the Month of June

Heavenly Father,
In this month of June, rich with grace and celebration, we lift up our hearts in gratitude and petition. We honor St. Joseph, faithful spouse of Mary and guardian of the Holy Family, as our true inspiration for fathers. Through his example, may all fathers be strengthened in virtue, perseverance, and sacrificial love. Bless all fathers, both living and deceased, who have given us life, love, and faith. Grant them the wisdom of Joseph, the courage of Christ, and the joy of the Spirit.



We pray for all graduates beginning new journeys—may they carry the light of truth and compassion into every path You set before them. May the good work You began in them be carried through to completion, enabling them to use their talents to the fullest.



Come, Holy Spirit, as at Pentecost, ignite our hearts with fire and boldness. May Your gifts of wisdom, understanding, and fortitude guide us in proclaiming the Gospel in word and deed.



And in the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, may we grow in reverence and love for the Eucharist, the source and summit of our faith.

MARY, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, JESUS, in all our sorrows and joys. JOSEPH, foster-father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep our family safe from harm. **Amen.**



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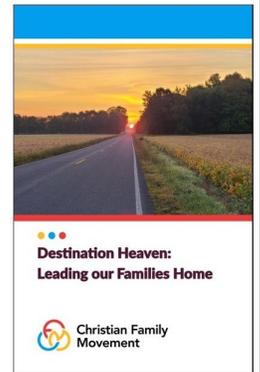


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[2024-2025 CFM Year-End Survey](#)

**2025-2026
Program Guide
Destination
Heaven -
Leading our
Families Home**



From the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, on the evening of May 8th, 2025, the new Holy Father offered his first message to the world. His words were simple, heartfelt and centered on Christ's peace. They included the following words: "I am a son of Saint Augustine, an Augustinian, who said: 'With you I am a Christian, for you I am a Bishop.'" In this spirit, we can all walk together toward that homeland which God has prepared for us." This year's program guide Destination Heaven, Leading our Families Home is meant to help families work together with each other and the Church as we guide our families home. Join us and invite others to walk with you as we look with great anticipation to a new CFM year.

NEW MEMBER
\$25/family
(first year)

RENEWING MEMBER
\$50/family
(after the first year)



ANNUAL DUES