



Associazione  
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## A ROSARY WITH BLESSED PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI

*“I’m going up to Oropa and I’ll pray for you at the feet of the Black Madonna, even though my prayers are only worth a little bit, and...I’ll send you a token of remembrance which should hopefully always bind us in a bond that is not material: a rosary made with seeds from the garden.”*

(Pier Giorgio -from a letter to Marco Beltramo, 22 October 1924)

- To the Associations, Oratories, Schools, and Groups with a devotion to Pier Giorgio Frassati,
- To Youth Ministers, to Confraternities, and to Seminaries
- To all friends of Pier Giorgio

Dear Friends,

The 6th of April is approaching, the 116<sup>th</sup> birthday of Pier Giorgio, and as is now customary every year we would not want this date to pass without preparing a gift which we can give him together.

You may know that this year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady’s apparition in Fatima, where she called upon all of her children to renew their devotion to the Rosary. We all know that the Rosary was loved and shared with others by Pier Giorgio. One day a friend who saw him leave a church, with the Rosary still in his hand asked him, “Pier Giorgio, have you become a religious bigot?” “No, he replied, *I remained a Christian!*” When he was 17 years old he felt the need to enroll himself in the *Confraternity of the Rosary* in Pollone.

The invitation which we are extending to you is this:

**On Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> of this year, let us unite together**, possibly at the same time (between 3:00 and 8:00 p.m.), ***in a bond which is not material with Pier Giorgio, reciting the Luminous Mysteries.*** A simple guide prepared for the occasion will help us to pray together with the same words and with one heart.

As our intention we shall all together pray Pier Giorgio for the youth all across the world, in view of the upcoming "Synod for Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment". We want to ask that young people may reach for the rosary with the same enthusiasm as he did - he who always carried a Rosary in his pocket - and may, under the care of Our Lady, discern their vocation.

We think that we couldn't make him a more beautiful gift! In this very significant year, we can only imagine how happy Pier Giorgio would be to give to his friends so many Rosaries, *made with seeds from his own garden*, in order to make come true, a dream which he incessantly asked his friends to make happen – *a pact which knows no earthly boundaries nor limit of time: union in prayer*.

(from a letter to Isidoro Bonini, 15 January 1925).

Please confirm us your participation with the name and town of origin to: [info@piergiorgiofrassati.org](mailto:info@piergiorgiofrassati.org) All participating groups will be listed on the site of the Tipi Loschi Company [www.tipiloschi.com](http://www.tipiloschi.com) where you will be able to download, in various languages, the guide of the Rosary with Pier Giorgio and the invitation letter.

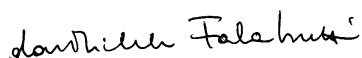
### *HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAY OF PIER GIORGIO*



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