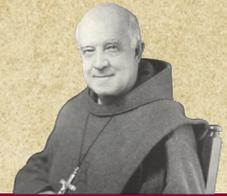


# Father Paul of Graymoor Guild



The Membership Newsletter

## A Letter From the Director

Dear Friends,

We are all called to be saints. That is a truth we can easily forget as we go about our busy days, rushing to meetings, fretting over deadlines and worrying too much about things we can't control. Prayer draws us back to the goal that God has set for us. Quiet contemplation with the Lord reminds us of our task while here on earth. Reflecting on the lives of the saints and those on the path toward sainthood serves as a real-life guide of how to be Christlike.

When it comes to Servant of God Fr. Paul Wattson, SA, we see someone whose entire life focused on how to best love God and how to bring all of God's people closer to Him. His work for the realization of Christ's prayer at the Last Supper - "That all may be one: as thou, Father art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us" - led to many amazing and holy undertakings:

- The establishment of prayer and religious life at Graymoor;
- The Ave Maria Radio Hour to bring God's word to anyone wishing to hear;
- A devotion to prayer before St. Anthony at Graymoor;
- Ministries in which Friars of the Atonement serve the needs of the poor, the homeless and the addicted; and
- The creation of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

When we compare our lives to all that Fr. Paul Wattson accomplished in his, we may feel we fall very short of following in Christ's footsteps! Let's try instead to look at it this way: Fr. Paul Wattson, guided by the Holy Spirit, devised multiple ways for you and I to grow closer to Christ. Whether it's quiet reflection on the Graymoor grounds, spiritual renewal through a Holy Mountain retreat, helping the less fortunate through a Friar ministry or joining in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Fr. Paul Wattson's legacy of at-one-ment has created a path we can follow to understand God's plan for us and walk along our own path toward sainthood.



*Fr. Patrick Cogan, SA*  
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Director, Father Paul  
of Graymoor Guild



## Join Us in the Prayer for the Canonization of Father Paul of Graymoor

As we acknowledge the power of prayer, we call upon the Lord to guide Servant of God Paul Wattson along the path to sainthood. We also ask Father Paul to intercede for us in times of need. As we say the Prayer for the Canonization of Father Paul of Graymoor, we understand that Father Paul takes our requests to the altar of the Lord, and that, if it is indeed part of His will, God may grant what we ask.

If you receive an answer to your prayer request, please share it with us. Every favor that God grants on behalf of Servant of God Paul Wattson brings him one step closer to sainthood.

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**Report favors, great and small**

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## **Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. Paul of Graymoor**

*God of unity and peace, in Christ your Son, You reveal your compassion for sinners and love for the poor which inspired Fr. Paul of Graymoor to pioneer the mission of Church Unity and spend himself in the care of our outcast brothers and sisters. Grant, we pray, that the example of this apostle of unity and charity will inspire us to advance the reconciliation of all things in Christ, without counting the cost.*

*With confidence we ask that Father Paul be raised to the honors of the altar, and through His intercession, grant the favor we now ask (mention your petition), if it be in conformity with Your will. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

***(Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be)***

*Mary, Queen of Heaven and Our Lady of the Atonement, Pray for us.*



### **Father Paul of Graymoor Guild members are granted spiritual benefits including:**

- Inclusion in a weekly Mass at Graymoor offered for Guild members and their intentions;
- Daily remembrance in the prayers, Masses and works of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement;
- Inclusion in the Friars' Holy Week Triduum and Christmas Triduum of Masses;
- Inclusion in the Novena of Masses honoring Our Lady of the Atonement from June 30 to July 9, her Feast Day, and an annual Novena of Masses to the Holy Spirit for the intentions of Guild Members and the canonization of Father Paul of Graymoor;
- The Guild Director will pray for intentions sent to the Guild each day and for the canonization of Father Paul of Graymoor. To find out more about the life and faith of Father Paul, the Guild and how you can support the Cause for Father Paul's canonization, please visit [FatherPaulofGraymoor.org](http://FatherPaulofGraymoor.org).

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