



Guide To Forming Chapters

Three Hearts Pilgrimage

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What Is A Pilgrimage Chapter?

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REQUIREMENTS TO FORM A CHAPTER

- Chapter Leader
- Designated Security Leader
- Minimum of 20 people*
- Chapter Name
- Chapter Banner
- Chaplain**



FORMING CHAPTERS: FAQs

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- *Chapter Leader*
- *Designated Security Member*
- *Minimum of 20 people**
- *Chapter Name*
- *Chapter Banner*
- *Chaplain****

2. **WHAT IS A CHAPTER DESIGNATED SECURITY MEMBER?**

The *Chapter Designated Security Member* will be responsible for helping with traffic control, safety of the pilgrims within their chapter, and assist pilgrimage coordinators with keeping pilgrims on the correct side of the road and when crossing intersections. They are also responsible for helping coordinators keep pilgrims in their chapter as best they can to avoid chapters breaking into sections.

3. **DO CHILDREN COUNT AS PART OF THE 20 PEOPLE IN A CHAPTER?** Yes, children count as part of your 20. However, it is strongly recommended a min. of 20 adults in a chapter.
Please Note Chapters that are formed without 20

members by the sign-up cut-off date will be deleted and the signed-up members will be asked to join another chapter.

4. **WHAT SHOULD I NAME MY CHAPTER?** Chapters are usually named after a favorite saint, patron saint, a parish, school, religious apparition or event. (i.e. Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Benedict etc...)
5. **WHAT IS A CHAPTER BANNER?** A visual representation of your group that is carried at the front of the chapter by the members for the duration of the pilgrimage. Creation and transportation of the banner is the responsibility of the chapter leader or other member of the chapter. (For examples of what a chapter banner might look like, see the image in the previous page.)
6. **WHAT ABOUT A CHAPLAIN?** It is strongly recommended that each chapter have their own chaplain to provide pilgrims with meditations, spiritual talks, and confessions during the pilgrimage. However, it is not a requirement to forming a chapter if you cannot find one that can join.
7. **HOW DO I START SIGNING UP MY CHAPTER?** Chapter leaders and their security member must first sign up on the Three Hearts Pilgrimage [website](#) in order to create a chapter. Please look for the "*Chapter Leader*" ticket. After the chapter leader and security member have successfully signed up, your chapter's name will be added to a sign-up page with a list of chapters, which we will send out to others upon purchasing tickets. They will be allowed to sign-up for the chapter they would like to join.